



EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL – 11th December 2023

Question received from Councillor R Lock:

At the Full Council meeting in July 2023, Cllr P Walker stated 'we know for a fact fire and rehire has happened with Sainsburys' (timestamp 0:50:00). In response to the question posed by Cllr Sankey in September 2023 the Council presented a list of companies engaged in fire-rehire, but did not list Sainsburys. Why has Sainsburys not been added to the list?

Response by the Leader of the Council, Councillor M T Fitzpatrick

Argos have engaged in fire and rehire tactics. Sainsburys purchased Argos whilst that firm engaged in fire and rehire. Argos are on the council's list.

Question from Councillor S Sankey:

Has the Council now adopted Gunning principles for all future public consultations?

Response by the Leader of the Council, Councillor M T Fitzpatrick

Yes, the Cabinet approved the Gunning principles as part of the refresh of the Communication, Consultation and Engagement strategy on October 23rd 2023