

Transcript of Councillor Kitcat's response of 16 October 2009 to the investigating officer's draft report

1. Quick point re 5.13.2: "Furthermore, its presence on Cllr Kitcat¹s YouTube channel offered Cllr Theobald no opportunity to respond to or debate the matter." This point is echoed further in the report.

This is not the case. Comments and video responses can be posted against all the videos on YouTube, providing an instant online right of reply.

2. I think the report is detailed and covers all the issues very well. I don't agree with all your conclusions but that's the nature of the process!

One further point. In 7.27 you state "The clips are about Cllr Kitcat holding the administration politically to account for the way the bins were introduced, and were intended to highlight what the Green Group believed to be the administration¹s deficiencies in that regard."

I'm not sure why the Green Group is included there. Most of the questions I asked were directly from residents. Questions on communal bins were also asked by Labour and LibDem members also and they all did press work on the issue. So I'm not clear why this cannot be characterised as my doing my duty as a ward councillor?

I did not become the Green Group waste spokesperson until Annual council 2009.