

**Renewal, Recreation and Housing PDS Committee
30th March 2021**

Questions to the Portfolio Holder

Questions from Alisa Igoe

1. **Reference: Land adjacent to properties No 1 and No 2 Broadheath Drive, and Croft Close, Chislehurst**

These two strips of open land on Elmstead Lane were auctioned off in 2020. One has had all grass and trees removed. An emergency immediate Tree Preservation Order 2709 has now been served on threatened trees on the second site. Has Bromley ever owned these sites, ever sold them and, if so, on what dates?

Reply:

These strips of land have never been owned by the Council.

2. **Reference: Bromley website 24 February Statement and Notice "Disposal of Land, Chislehurst Library"**

On 24 February 2021 a formal Notice was published under Section 123(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 stating the intention of the Council to dispose of urban open space at Chislehurst Library and car park. Could you please explain why you have issued this notice?

Reply:

As the existing Chislehurst Library site forms an area of 'Urban Open Space' there is a legal requirement for a notice to be published for a period of two consecutive weeks under Section 123(A) of the Local Government Act stating the intention of the Council to dispose of the land. It is perhaps worth noting that although the land is categorised as 'Urban Open Space' in planning terms, the site the notice relates to is already built on in its entirety, in the form of the library building and hardstanding car park and does not include any of the adjacent green space.