

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE****13 September 2022****Questions for Written Reply****(1) From Andrew Stotesbury to the Chairman of the Standards Committee**

*On the 26th July Bromley Council posted a Tweet 'No to Mayor of London's ULEZ expansion proposals'. This included a link : ow.lysb9i50K4jOX . This is still live but it is noted that links on the Council site have been disabled for this article.*

Has the Committee investigated this highly biased political Tweet and Article quoting of the Leader of Bromley Council, Councillor Colin Smith?

**Reply:**

No. The article quoting the Leader and Tweet were announcing the Council's position, which is to oppose the proposal to expand the ULEZ zone to Bromley. It is difficult to do this without mentioning the Mayor of London but his name and party were not mentioned.

**(2) From Andrew Stotesbury to the Chairman of the Standards Committee**

As with others (see screen shots attached), if the Committee has found that this has contravened the Councillor Code of Standards (see extracts below) what course of action will be taken to ensure that this is not allowed to re-occur? Should the Councillor in question be required to resign?

*Extracts from the Model Councillor Code of Conduct, 2020  
7.0 Use of Local Authority resources and facilities: Clause 7.1 and 7.2  
Also Appendix A, Clause: Objectivity.*

**Reply:**

The Code of Conduct has not been contravened. Current law has no provision for requiring a Councillor to resign.