Katie,
Please let me start with an apology. I am currently working in an extremely remote corner of the Falkland Islands and have no IT. I would have liked to reply with a letter but will have to muddle through on my phone. Before I begin my answer you would be really impressed with the unspoilt bio-diversity on these islands. I've seen Vultures, 3 different breeds of penguin, orca, sea lions, not to mention the flora.

To your questions

Q1
Thank you for raising awareness of this issue. My view is that we should hold those to account who are not abiding by the law and make them pay for any clean-up. Not only do I think that developers should contribute to improvements in sewage infrastructure I think it should be a condition of their planning approval.

Q2
Not sure that anybody at a local level can 'ensure' but I can certainly help and incentivise. There is salary threshold below which people do not care about environmental issues (the global figure is circa 12000 usd but it varies across continents and countries) in order to make an impact on any climate issues we need to mobile the masses - and the masses are below the poverty line and can't afford to care. Lifting people out of poverty will attract more people to the cause. Keeping council tax bills down and allowing more people the freedom to decide how that money is spent will help. That said, all of the above is at the national level so what can we do at the local level? Raising awareness of subsidised schemes for solar panels to those that are entitled will help (as will putting more money in people's pockets). WRT EV charging points; on a recent trip to London I saw EV charging points embedded within lampposts. This seems, at first glance, to be a simple and cheap solution for those who can't park close to their residence. I would propose this as a county wide scheme to be trialled in our ward.

Q3
Recycling is but one option - we also need to reduce and re-use. Let's encourage people to use the local dairy. They deliver from an electric vehicle, re-use glass bottles, reduce plastic bottles from supermarkets. I've always thought that all new houses should have rubbish disposal that makes it easy to re-cycle. If there were rubbish shoots integrated into kitchens that allowed re-cycling to be sorted inside and then be dispensed to the appropriate bin it would help - we have to make it easy for people.

Q4
Incentivise the Guardians of the Countryside (farmers) to help and advise - they are the experts. I fully support the campaign to end spraying.

Q5
Biodiversity policies are set at the National level who provide the lead. We need to ensure that the policies are appropriately funded and acted upon. I fear that there is little that can be done at the Parish level but I would be keen to support any initiatives that are suggested.

Q6
I don't know too much about the proposed sale other than the fundraising effort to raise £30million (the annual debt interest payment of the council) I would welcome the

opportunity to meet with you and your team to learn more. What is it that the current owners are not doing and how will the new owners address any deficiencies. Once the £30million has been raised are there any other plans to raise funds for the running of the estate and executing your plans?

At Council meetings the main roll is to hold the council to account, balance the budget and keep council tax rises to a minimum. Outside of Council Meetings County Councillor should attend all ward Parish Council Meetings (observational roll only) to learn what the important local issues are.
Mark Hope