

## **TO FOLLOW MEMBER QUESTION REPONSE**

The response to the following question was previously marked 'to follow'

### **Question from Councillor David Vasmer**

Could officers provide a list of schools within Shropshire that have been found to contain buildings made from reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (Raac) given concerns about its safety ?

What arrangements are the Council putting in place to further identify schools which might be at risk

Are there any other Shropshire owned buildings that could contain Raac?

### **Response from Councillors Kirstie Hurst-Knight, Portfolio Holder for Children and Education and Councillor Dean Carroll, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Assets**

The situation has not changed since the latest Member's briefing or press release – There has been no evidence of RAAC found in any Shropshire Schools. This has been confirmed internally by Property Services Group (PSG) as well as by the DfE who we have met with on two occasions in the past week.

Following the completion of individual questionnaires for all Shropshire LA schools – Property Services Group are now in the process of completing their due diligence by completing further desktop surveys of a small number of schools, this involves looking back in the archives to ensure RAAC was not used in any undertaken building works. We continue to work with the DfE and other Responsible Bodies (Academy Trust or Diocese) to ensure all required information is shared with the DfE RAAC team for review.

The property team are rapidly undertaking a series of desktop reviews and where needed physical inspections of all of our 'corporate landlord' properties aimed at identifying any properties that could be affected – currently Whitchurch Library and Civic Centre have been identified. The library and the Civic Centre have been closed to the public until survey work has been completed.