

**A QUESTION FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Mackworth Green, Finedon, is a square of ironstone cottages formerly owned by this council, which passed into the ownership of Wellingborough Homes as part of the stock transfer, and is within the Finedon Conservation Area. They are mainly occupied by the elderly.

In the centre of the square there is, and always has been, a lamp, which provides light to the whole square. This lamp has not been working since August 2015.

Despite efforts by myself and our officers to get this lamp working again, Wellingborough Homes seem unwilling to take any action, quoting an enormous cost for providing scaffolding etc and even suggesting that it is not their lamp and that County Highways are responsible, which County Highways have repeatedly denied.

I believe that Wellingborough Homes are morally, if not legally, obliged to retain this necessary facility, particularly as they acquired our houses for an average price of only £700 each.

Is the Services Committee able to exert any influence on Wellingborough Homes to achieve the desired outcome?

**Cllr John Bailey**

