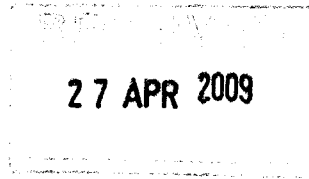


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Mr R Farhall  
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22<sup>nd</sup> April 2009

Dear Mr Farhall

It's very late to write to you about the Annual Town Meeting but I've been busy, as you have too,

But I would like to say how nice it was to see such a full meeting and I think the Community Centre is a pretty good venue (better to have a full house even if a few people are "standing room only" than an echoing half empty one). Regardless of content or format which I would not wish to comment on, please please could I add my voice to those who ask for:

***A roving microphone***, practised beforehand by the Chairman and whoever is "roving" with it. Much easier to control the questions and much better for the audience to hear who is asking and what the question is.

***Better microphone practice on the platform***. If you have a long, long table with up to 12 or more people, could there not be a microphone at each end so there is not the laborious business of passing it from one end to the other....?

Yours sincerely

Jenny Lee

**TOWN CLERK BRIEFING NOTE**

**28 GIBBET MARSH BENCHES**

As agreed at the Council meeting held on 16 March a ‘mini consultation’ was conducted at the Annual Town Meeting held on 1 April. 100 copies of a simple questionnaire (attached) – asking residents to indicate their preferred location/s for public seating on Gibbet Marsh – were distributed. A total of 32 completed questionnaires have been received.

The responses have been summarised as follows:

<b>Preferences</b>	<b>No. responses</b>
Opposite Windmill (original position)	12
Near any CCTV cameras	1
Picnic area	3
By river/River view	5
Footpath – but near car park	8
Footpath – middle of green area	8
Footpath – unspecified position	1
Open space away from The Windmill	2
As existing	3
Nearer to Ferry Road	1

*Note: Quite a few participants had more than one preferred location.*