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Council
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TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL

09 April 2015

Dear Councillor

COUNCIL - Thursday 9 April 2015

Further to the Agenda and papers for the above meeting, previously circulated, please see below the following information.

11. **Written Questions**

In accordance with Rule No. 13.2 a Written Question has been received from Councillor Aldis as follows:

“Can the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Communities please make a response to the Environment Agency’s consultation on its plans to demolish “redundant” structures on the River Ivel in the east of Central Bedfordshire? The stated closing date is 10th April 2015. Sandy Town Council, the Kings Arms Anglers, the Sandy Historical Research Group, the Sandy History Society, the Sandy Enhancement Group and the other interest groups are incensed at this blatant disregard for historical mill ponds, the insensitive removal of water controlling weirs and the increased risk of flooding of recreational areas that may result from this action.

These proposals are to meet the European Directive on water quality which seeks to see an increase in the ecology standard of the river and allow eels to migrate upstream to their spawning areas.

Does the Executive member share the concerns of local people in the Ivel Valley and what action will he take in this matter?”

Should you have any queries regarding the above please contact Committee Services on Tel: 0300 300 4040.

Yours sincerely

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