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## Agenda Item 16 Strategy and Resources Committee 4 October 2018

### Member Questions

Questions from Councillor Debbie Young	Questions to Councillor Doina Cornell
1. Who made the decision to charge for road closures for the Poppy Day parade?	I have been advised by the Head of Legal Services that charges for road closures predate 2007. It remains unclear when road closures associated with remembrance events were first introduced.
2. Why is the fee £85?	This fee is simply a contribution towards the Council's costs of making the order. The Council's cost for dealing with each order is in the region of £150 but only if no objections are made further to the required public consultation. The cost per order increases to at least £200 if there are public or other statutory consultee objections. Some discretion has been exercised over the years when applying the fee, so the charge has not always been made. Last year, according to our records, the £85 charge was paid by town / parish councils who applied for a Remembrance Parade order. The same charge has been applied this year.
3. Why didn't it come to the relevant Committee?	It is not a matter which was necessary for a committee to review. The Council can review matters over the coming months, with a report being submitted to the appropriate committee.