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Devolution discussion in the council is now productive rather than whiney and the council are actively seeking people's opinions and ideas. The preferred format of Breckland is a 3 unitary authority model. Norfolk County Council prefer a one authority version. Personally, I think the three-authority model is the better of the two, but neither is as good as what we already have.

When there were questions the Labour group asked about the cutting of grass verges and the frequency of it, an answer should follow at some point. The independent group wanted to know why Breckland favoured the three unitary authority model when it is the most expensive of the three. The ruling group disputes the figures, which do come from NCC.

Reform asked about the housing for illegal immigrants and ex-offenders. Their question was pure mischief making. Breckland house who they legally must house, and migrants are housed by the government. This is typical of Reform nationally who make up a story and then get outraged about the lie they just invented.

The Labour group asked about the speed in which the car parks are being moved from Breckland Council and into Town Council control. Breckland said they would appreciate any help they can get from the Town councils to speed things up. The ruling group say they need to get a fair price from the councils for the car parks to ensure value for the council taxpayers. I must admit I do not understand, the money will go from the town council to Breckland council an organisation that will then cease to exist.

The council decided to write to the secretary of state stating their opposition to large scale solar farm development which appears to provide little benefit to the local community. Reform also are opposed to solar farms, mainly because climate change isn't real. Just to prove that Reform don't have a monopoly on stupidity a tory councillor thought that all the new electricity would be piped down to London and that they would steal the electricity created by our solar farms. Electricity doesn't work like this.