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My view on this is that I would be happy to answer any further questions from the committee in person if the committee has areas where that may help, but I don't think in itself a hearing is required. I am happy to provide a further submission, but would ask for guidance as to what is needed.

I think it is clear that the system for making local authorities clear up waste in the UK is not fit for purpose (in the sense that even if you win and the local authority clears up rubbish it would not otherwise have cleared up - you are still penalised quite harshly in terms of costs for the temerity of challenging the authority).