Council

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There are twelve Councillor questions attached.





COUNCIL MEETING - 1 DECEMBER 2016

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

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Questioner: Councillor James Bond

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and

Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and

Devolution)

Question 1:

"When are you going to appoint councillors who are not members of your own party group as non executive members of the Cabinet?"

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Questioner: Councillor Susan Hall

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for

Finance and Commercialisation

Question 2:

"How do you work out how to set your rate of Council Tax each year?"

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Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and

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Question 3:

"Will your administration freeze council tax for 2017-18 or will you raise it yet again, making life even more difficult for those in our community who are "just about managing"?

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Question 4:

"If your ludicrous Regeneration borrowing of over £300 million goes ahead, do you feel you have a good enough contingency plan if the finances go wrong?"

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Question 5:

"You've claimed you want to work closer with the voluntary sector in Harrow, how do you envisage doing this?"

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Question 6:

"What are you doing to help the poorest people in Harrow?"

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Question 7:

"Why do you keep pushing short-term solutions for Harrow's long term problems when this will inevitably leave the problems unsolved and cost residents more?"

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Asked of: Councillor Sue Anderson, Portfolio Holder for

Community, Culture and Resident Engagement

Question 8:

"At a public meeting at Harrow Arts Centre regarding its future, it was noted that the Council is to shortly reveal a course of action regarding the future of the arts centre and the money invested in it. When will we hear this?"

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Asked of: Councillor Kiran Ramchandani (Portfolio Holder for

Performance, Corporate Resources and Customer

Service)

Question 9:

"How many days did it take to arrange the Chief Officers' Employment Panel meeting of 8th December?"

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Question 10:

"Are you happy with the conclusions of the LGA Peer Review?"

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Asked of: Councillor Keith Ferry, Portfolio Holder for Business,

Planning and Regeneration

Question 11:

"What is the current estimated total capital receipt for the 2016-2017 property disposal programme?"

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Question 12:

"Do you think that it was appropriate for the Chair of the Planning Committee, speaking with his regeneration "hat" on, to seemingly apply pressure to a member of his party that external grant funding (including from the GLA) was apparently at stake during a committee meeting as they were deliberating on a major planning application?"

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