CABINET - 18 SEPTEMBER 2014

AGENDA PART I

COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS (ITEM 6)

Fifteen minutes will be allowed for Members of the Council to ask a Portfolio Holder a question on any matter in relation to which the Executive has powers or duties.

1.

| Questioner: | Councillor Kam Chana |
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| Asked of: | Councillor Sue Anderson, Portfolio Holder for Community, Culture and Resident Engagement |
| Question: | "Can you clarify the process you use to ensure that, when the Council wants to consult or engage with sections of our diverse community, it does as such with individuals or organisations who are best placed to represent the views of those they claim to speak for?" |

2.

- Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond
- Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Major Contracts
- **Question:** "Will you support the setting up of a Council committee chaired by an opposition member to scrutinise the Council's spending?"

3.

- Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane
- Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Major Contracts
- **Question:** "What do you think it says about your administration that you are paying the first year's costs of restoring the Chief Executive position out of the 'priority initiatives' fund?"

4.

- Asked of: Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Crime and Community Safety
- **Question:** "Do you have any plans to lower the frequency of domestic bin collections?"

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| Questioner: | Councillor Susan Hall |
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| Asked of: | Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Crime and Community Safety |
| Question: | "Do you intend to pursue any further the by-law approach to fixed penalty notices for spitting?" |

6.

- **Questioner:** Councillor Susan Hall
- Asked of: Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Crime and Community Safety
- **Question:** "You mentioned in the media that you would be reviewing policy regarding vans using the Forward Drive amenity site. Could you confirm the progress with this review, and which councillors and senior staff members have been involved?"

7.

- **Questioner:** Councillor Richard Almond
- Asked of: Councillor David Perry, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Corporate Leadership
- **Question:** "You said at last week's 'Take Part' launch that you recently met with the "5 key representatives of the voluntary sector" to discuss your administration's proposed service cuts. Could you clarify which individuals/organisations these were?"

8.

| Questioner: | Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane |
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| Asked of: | Councillor Glen Hearnden, Portfolio Holder for Housing |
| Question: | "Do you think it's acceptable for the Housing portfolio holder to criticise the right of Council tenants to purchase their own homes?" |

9.

- Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane
- Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Major Contracts
- Question: "In light of your comments about a "cost of living crisis", will you rule out a council tax rise for Harrow residents in 2015/16?"

10.

- Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane
- Asked of: Councillor Sue Anderson, Portfolio Holder for Community, Culture and Resident Engagement
- Question: "Could you provide a list of the community groups and organisations who informed the drafting of the administration's new corporate plan?"