

CABINET – THURSDAY 11 JULY 2019

AGENDA PART I

THERE ARE NO PUBLIC QUESTIONS

COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS (ITEM 5)

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 Marilyn Ashton

Asked of: Councillor Graham Henson, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution and Customer Services.

Question: “Is the Council Leader content that the Council has the correct priorities in respect of funding Environmental Services and does he think that the services provided are efficient and value for money?”

2.

Questioner: Councillor Marilyn Ashton

Asked of: Councillor Graham Henson, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution and Customer Services.

Question: “Is the Leader confident that it is the right call to press ahead with his re-generation Portfolio Holder’s strategies and vision for developments in the borough, given that some of his own colleagues appear to disagree with Cllr. Ferry’s ideas in that they agreed with us and upheld the recent Call-in on the grounds of a lack of evidence that his strategies would succeed?”

3.

Questioner: Councillor Marilyn Ashton

Asked of: Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment

Question: “Is the Environmental Portfolio Holder satisfied that the proposed changes to the fees for residents’ parking permits is fair and equitable?”

4.

Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Simon Brown, Portfolio Holder for Adults & Public Health

Question: "How much of the proposed savings for 2019/20 within Adults services are you assuming will not be achieved during the current year?"

5.

Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Question: "How much of any increase in Council Tax income arising from an increase in the Council Tax base does the administration assume will be taken up by the increase in the provision of services to which that will lead?"

6.

Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Question: "If you expect to spend during the current year a sum of money described as a "reserve" can it properly be described as a reserve?"

7.

Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment.

Question: "What is the proposed timetable for CCTV Commercialisation?"

8.

Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Krishna Suresh, Portfolio Holder for Community Cohesion & Crime.

Question: "What clarification of priorities in the 2019 draft Strategic Assessment of crime in the borough was needed?"

9.

Questioner: Councillor Anjana Patel

Asked of: Councillor Krishna Suresh, Portfolio Holder for Community Cohesion & Crime.

Question: "Will the portfolio holder take seriously all the recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny about Preventing Youth Violence and implement them?"

10.

Questioner: Councillor Paul Osborn

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Question: "What is the combined total of both earmarked and unearmarked reserves held within the Council's Revenue Budget?"

11.

Questioner: Councillor Paul Osborn

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Question: "What is the Council's total debt and what is the annual cost of servicing that debt?"

12.

Questioner: Councillor Paul Osborn

Asked of: Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Question: "What lessons have you learned from the numerous failed Council commercialisation schemes? Has any action been taken to hold those responsible for these failed schemes to account?"