**CABINET – THURSDAY 9JANUARY 2020**

**AGENDA PART I**

**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 Paul Osborn  |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Graham Henson, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services. |
| **Question:** | “Following your comments about some questions at the last Cabinet meeting will you consider a return to the “committee system” of decision making within the Council, as they have done in our neighbouring borough of Barnet?” |

**2.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Paul Osborn  |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Graham Henson, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services. |
| **Question:** | “As we approach the mid-point of your administration will you give some thought to having more non-executive voices on Cabinet?” |

**3.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Paul Osborn  |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Keith Ferry, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning and Employment. |
| **Question:** | “Do you regard the reversal of the £473,000 saving from the depot redevelopment in the Draft Budget as a success or a failure?” |

**4.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Paul Osborn  |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Graham Henson, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services. |
| **Question:** | “How will the Leader ensure greater cross-party work on regeneration, as recommended by the scrutiny committee report?” |

**5.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Marilyn Ashton |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Graham Henson, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services. |
| **Question:** | “Why does Harrow Council not offer a free Christmas Tree collection service for residents? Other London Boroughs’, who charge lower Council Tax, offer a free collection service in the first few weeks of January. Why are Harrow residents paying more but getting less?” |

**6.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Marilyn Ashton |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Graham Henson, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution & Customer Services. |
| **Question:** | “Does the Leader believe the Council is doing enough to keep the borough well lit at night, and thus keeping Harrow residents safe?” |

**7.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Marilyn Ashton |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment. |
| **Question:** | “What progress has the Council made in becoming more environmentally friendly since the climate emergency motion was passed last year?” |

**8.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Richard Almond |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Phillip O’Dell, Portfolio Holder for Housing. |
| **Question:** | “What stage has been reached in the review of options for housing development on the Pinner Grove Estate?” |

**9.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Richard Almond |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Keith Ferry, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning and Employment. |
| **Question:** | “What is the programme for works on the former Waxwell Lane Car Park?” |

**10.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Richard Almond |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Adam Swersky, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources. |
| **Question:** | “When was the series of reviews of the Community Directorate’s budget started and how many of them have there been so far?” |

**11.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Richard Almond |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Christine Robson, Portfolio Holder for Young People & Schools. |
| **Question:** | “What information of value to parents can external inspections of schools and standard tests provide?” |

**12.**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Questioner:** | Councillor Camilla Bath |
| **Asked of:** | Councillor Phillip O’Dell, Portfolio Holder for Housing. |
| **Question:** | “The cost of upgrading/renewing fire doors in 3 storey blocks is ‘estimated’ in excess of £500K, in the papers for tonight’s meeting. If the cost of upgrading/renewing these fire doors is more than the estimated cost, where will the extra funding come from?” |