

CABINET – THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2020

AGENDA PART 1

PUBLIC QUESTIONS (ITEM 4)

Under Rule 16 of the Executive Procedure Rules members of the public may question the Executive and Portfolio Holders at meetings. There is a time limit of 15 minutes for the asking and answering of public questions.

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Questioner: Matthew Goodwin-Freeman

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

Question: “During this pandemic many individuals of Harrow have enjoyed prolonged periods outdoors, exploring our local area, taking in nature, working on their physical exercise and so forth. However with this increase in footfall to some of Harrow's most green spaces has also come an increase in littering, fly-tipping and inconsiderate behaviour. I am fortunate to live within the Pinnerwood Farm conservation area and almost weekly have had to pick up and throw away drinks bottles, beer bottles, food packaging, waste and likewise, as well as flag up and report several fly-tipping experiences. There are no bins near or around the area - the nearest public bin is just under 1 mile away in Hatch End Playing Fields, and as for signs to ask people to stick to the pathways, pick up after their dogs, or not to litter and be considerate of residents - none. And this story I see replicated in green spaces all around Harrow, parks and playing fields, of which I have heard there are petitions circulating for change. In a time where the word COMMUNITY has never been so important, what is the Council going to do about remind people to be a part of, not a problem, for Harrow's Community?”