

Cabinet

Public and Councillor Questions accepted

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AGENDA PART I

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.

1.

Questioner: Brian Stoker

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

Question: “My question at the November Cabinet meeting on the legal requirement for consultation about the intention to lease the field at the Bannister Sports Centre for a dinosaur themed golf development was not answered. It was responded to by Cllr Ferry stating, “I would have to take advice from the professionals”.

What is the answer from the professionals, please?”

2.

Questioner: Frances Pickersgill

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

Question: “At the November cabinet meeting, I asked Cllr Henson why there is no Parking Management Plan to take account of the increased parking needs on the Bannister Centre now that the football field is open and the overflow parking field has been closed in preparation for work on the dinosaur golf development. Cllr Henson delegated the question to Cllr Ferry who failed to answer my question satisfactorily merely referring to an ad hoc parking arrangement with the John Rumney playing field. Overflow parking from the Bannister Centre already exceeds the parking spaces available on the John Rumney field.

I subsequently wrote to Cllr Henson asking (a) why he had delegated my question to a councillor who failed to grasp the point of my question and (b) to answer the question I had asked in the cabinet meeting.

I have received no reply from Cllr Henson. Please can Cllr Henson answer this now?"

3.

Questioner: Matthew Goodwin-Freeman

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

Question: "How much money has the Council spent on its shoddy resurfacing job of the Harrow View Point car park??"

4.

Questioner: Mary Turner

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

Question: "The viewpoint carpark at old redding is closed at 4pm. Double yellow lines have been put on the entire length of old redding road which means no one can visit the area after this time.

The council have done this apparently in order to stop antisocial behaviour. Mr Henson, you have said that half of police time was spent at old redding. Is this true? Can you please provide evidence to substantiate this.?"

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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 Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder for Environment & Climate Change.

Question: “Are you proud that residents in South Harrow have had to collect up rubbish themselves?”

2.

Questioner: Councillor Marilyn Ashton

Asked of: Councillor Peymana Assad, Portfolio Holder for Community Cohesion, Crime & Enforcement.

Question: “Are you proud of ‘mattress mountain’ in Wealdstone High Street?”

3.

Questioner: Councillor Kanti Rabadia

Asked of: Councillor Peymana Assad, Portfolio Holder for Community Cohesion, Crime & Enforcement.

Question: “Given the recent spate of stabbings and crime in Wealdstone, do you still think it is safe to locate the new Civic Centre in that area?”

4.

Questioner: Councillor Pritesh Patel

Asked of: Councillor Natasha Proctor, Portfolio Holder for Finance & Resources.

Question: “At the previous Cabinet meeting, I was advised that I will receive a breakdown of what constituted the 40% contingency under risk mitigations, based on the total funding of £9.209m for the “Kodak” Wealdstone Footbridge construction. When will I receive this breakdown or is this another case of you not having done any detailed analysis of costs prior to approving the report?”

5.

Questioner: Councillor Pritesh Patel

Asked of: Councillor Natasha Proctor, Portfolio Holder for Finance & Resources.

Question: “The General Fund and HRA capital programme forecast at Q2 shows expenditure representing 79% and 97% respectively of the total capital programme. With two quarterly periods to go, what assurances can you give us that there will be no overspends in these budgets at final outturn?”

6.

Questioner: Councillor Pritesh Patel

Asked of: Councillor Natasha Proctor, Portfolio Holder for Finance & Resources.

Question: “Of the £343m in grants received from central government for the year 2020-21, what proportion of the grants are Covid related?”