

FULL COUNCIL, Wednesday 14 September 2016

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

1) FLIGHTS FROM LONDON CITY AIRPORT

To the Leader of the Council, Councillor Roger Ramsey

From Councillor Jody Ganly

Would the Leader of the Council confirm the current position in respect of permission to increase flights over Havering from London City Airport and what steps the council will be taking to persuade London City Airport to review the concentrated flight paths over Havering to ensure that the burden of increased flights and the noise that accompanies it is shared equally amongst Havering residents.

2) HOUSING REGISTER

To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damian White

From Councillor Patricia Rumble

What are the reasons that people are removed from the housing register?

3) VILLAGE GREEN STATUS FOR LAND OFF NEW ZEALAND WAY

To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damian White

From Councillor Michael Deon Burton

Please provide an update on the status of the Village Green application for land off New Zealand Way and whether a meeting can be arranged between Members, residents and Officers to discuss the application

4) RESIDENTS HOUSED OUTSIDE HAVERING

To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damian White

From Councillor June Alexander

Would the Cabinet Member confirm over the past 3 years, how many residents have been placed outside Havering for housing needs, including seaside accommodation and on average how long have they been outside Havering.

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5) ORANGE BAG RECYCLING

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish</u>

From Councillor Lawrence Webb

Of our recycled (orange bag) waste what percentage is rejected when it is sorted?

6) GRANT FUNDING FROM VEOLIA

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community</u> Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish

From Councillor Graham Williamson

Please provide an update regarding grant funding from Veolia.

7) CLOSURE OF HORNCHURCH FIRE STATION

To the Leader of the Council, Councillor Roger Ramsey

From Councillor John Mylod

Hornchurch Fire Station was closed between the hours of 20.00 pm on Friday 3rd June through to 09.30am on Saturday 4th June due to a lack of manpower throughout London. Would the Leader of the Council confirm what representations he will be making to ensure that this does not re-occur.

8) HOMELESSNESS

To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damian White

From Councillor John Glanville

Given the recent report by the Communities and Local Government Select Committee which has said that help given by local authorities to homeless people is often ineffectual and meaningless and which states that "The scale of homelessness is now such that a revised government strategy is a must" what if any is the council's response?

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9) RIVER INGREBOURNE

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community</u> Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish

From Councillor Jeffrey Tucker

Please provide an update regarding improvements to the southern end of the River Ingrebourne, including the removal of debris/foliage, clearing culverts and improving the public space behind the Angel Pub.

10) HORNCHURCH LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Culture and Community Engagement, Councillor</u> **Melvin Wallace**

From Councillor Julie Wilkes

Given the large number of volunteers that the council boasts it has recruited, would the Cabinet Member confirm why it has still not been possible to increase the hours of opening (10am to 1pm) at Hornchurch Library (often the busiest library in Havering) beyond just Saturday.

11)CYCLE TRACK, MAIN ROAD

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish</u>

From Councillor Lawrence Webb

What was the cost per meter of the new designated cycle path at the top on Main Road?

12)GREEN BELT

To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish

From Councillor Keith Roberts

There appears to be land clearance work taking place on land north of the A1306 between Rainham Road and Upminster Road North off Farm Road. Please provide any information about what is happening as this or nearby land has been put forward to be removed from Green Belt.

13) OPERATIONAL AND ACCESS ISSUES

To the Leader of the Council, Councillor Roger Ramsey

From Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Leader of the Council confirm who within the Administration authorised the following:

- a) The Call Centre being closed to the public for 4 hours once a month for staff training.
- b) Refusal to allow prior approval planning applications to be "called in" before Regulatory Services.
- c)Stopping members from entering the members/CMT car park before 5pm.
- d)Refusing residents access to council services unless done online

14) ICT STRATEGY

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Financial Management, Transformation and IT Client Side, Councillor Clarence Barrett</u>

From Councillor Ray Morgon

- a) When will there be a clear ICT strategy for Havering.
- b) What IT projects have been prioritised for this financial year and next and why were these chosen.
- c) Why are corporate priorities in Newham Council being put before those in Havering.
- d) ICT is regarded as the worst service within One Source. Why has this been allowed to happen and what clear plans are in place to rectify the situation

15) WASTE COLLECTIONS

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Regulatory Services and Community Safety, Councillor Osman Dervish</u>

From Councillor Barbara Matthews

Would the Cabinet Member explain the apparent increase in the number of missed waste collections since Serco took over the waste contract two years ago?