



FULL COUNCIL, Wednesday 12 July 2017

## MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

### Housing Surgery Appointments

- 1) **To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)**  
**From Councillor June Alexander**

Would the Cabinet Member advise why he arranges for housing surgery appointments to be made and then he fails to turn up to them?

### Landlord Licensing Scheme

- 2) **To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)**  
**From Councillor David Johnson**

What is the current status regarding the introduction of a Landlord licensing scheme?

### Legal Privilege

- 3) **To the Leader of the Council**  
**From Councillor Jeffrey Tucker**

When the Council obtained independent legal opinion about a planning matter, Members were told the details were withheld from them due to it being "legally privileged". But legal privilege applies to the client not the lawyer. That is, the client can make public the details but the lawyer cannot. As the Council was the client, that means all Members are the client and if we want to see the details we can. To withhold the information is very irregular. What is the Council Leader's view?

### Fire Risk Assessments in High & Low Rise Blocks

- 4) **To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)**  
**From Councillor Keith Darvill**

Will the Lead Member make a statement about the regularity of Fire Risk Assessments at the Councils High and Low Rise Blocks of Flats?

### **Vehicles Parked over Residential Driveways**

- 5) **To the Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety (Councillor Osman Dervish)**  
**From Councillor Reg Whitney**

Members have previously been promised that a contractor will be employed to remove vehicles that are parked over residents' driveways. Would the Cabinet Member confirm what has happened to this undertaking?

### **Use of Polyethylene Cladding in Council Stock**

- 6) **To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)**  
**From Councillor Ian de Wulverton**

Of the extensive program of renovation and home improvements of the Council stock has any cladding using polyethylene (PE) been installed?

### **Installation of Mobile Furniture in Upminster Road North**

- 7) **To the Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety (Councillor Osman Dervish)**  
**From Councillor David Durant**

A local resident responded to Public Notices on some Mobile furniture in Upminster Road North, opposite Lake Avenue and never got a response from the company involved despite a number of attempts. Our own planning department also contacted the company with no response. It is unacceptable that the company which has extensive Mobile furniture in Havering should treat the Council and residents in this way. In the absence of a response, will the Cabinet Member for planning seek ways of preventing any further Mobile furniture being installed by Vodafone until they provide a customer services department worthy of the name.

### **Mayoral Car**

- 8) **To the Leader of the Council**  
**From Councillor Ray Morgon**

Would the Leader of the Council explain how this Council was publicly embarrassed on a national TV programme, by having the mayoral car clamped in relation to a debt which should either have been paid or defended?

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## **Fire Safety Tests on Thermal Improvements**

**9) To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)  
From Councillor Ian de Wulverton**

Can the Cabinet Member confirm Fire safety tests have been carried out on the insulation used on the thermal improvements on the houses in Harold Hill and elsewhere in the Borough?

## **Village Green Application, New Zealand Way, Rainham**

**10) To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Damian White)  
From Councillor Keith Roberts**

Before putting another planning application before the committee to build on the "Green" off New Zealand Way, Rainham, will the Cabinet Member for Housing ensure both the "appropriation for planning purposes" process and the Village Green application are determined first?

## **Enforcement Policy**

**11) To the Leader of the Council  
From Councillor John Wood**

In relation to Environment Services, would the Leader confirm when this Council will see a clear policy and strategy (with the appropriate resources) to deal with enforcement issues?

## **12) Multi Faith School Assemblies**

**To the Cabinet Member for Children & Learning (Cllr Robert Benham)  
From Councillor Michael Deon Burton**

Brent Council has become the first local authority in England and Wales to allow state schools to end the provision of a daily service that is "wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character". Instead, the schools will be able to hold multi-faith assemblies. What is the Borough of Havering's unequivocal position on that which the vast majority of our residents would view as a fundamental and very important matter?

## **Stroke Support Services**

- 13) To the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Health (Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson)  
From Councillor Barbara Matthews**

Given that stroke support services will be transferred to a new provider by the end of the summer, would the Cabinet Member confirm what service specifications has been agreed and confirm that the new contractor will provide at least the same level of service as those currently delivered by Tapestry.

## **Bretons Business Plan**

- 14) To the Cabinet Member for Culture & Community Engagement (Councillor Melvin Wallace)  
From Councillor Barry Mugglestone**

Would the Cabinet Member confirm what progress has been made with the Bretons business plan and when will it be published?

## **Community Safety in Harrow Lodge Park Area**

- 15) To the Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety (Councillor Osman Dervish)  
From Councillor Jody Ganly**

Would the Cabinet Member confirm what steps the council are taking to deter the worrying trend of youths on mopeds and scooters carrying out crime in Harrow Lodge Park and other parks in the Borough?