



MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

1 DISRUPTION CAUSED BY STREETWORKS

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor John Mylod

Learning from the chaos over the last several months in various areas of Hornchurch, would the Cabinet Member:

- a) give assurance that in future, early consultation with the appropriate ward Councillors takes place ahead of any planned works; prior to other stakeholders.
- b) ensure that **all** Councillors are notified when emergency works are necessary, detailing relevant work, affects (such as diversion) and timescales.

2 PRIMARY SCHOOL PROVISION IN HAROLD HILL

To the Cabinet Member for Children & Learning (Councillor Paul Rochford)

By Councillor Paul McGeary

In view of the rise in the birth rate and the proposed housing developments in Gooshays and Heaton Wards what are the Administration's plans to expand primary school provision in Harold Hill?

3 USE OF CCTV CAR FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Jeffrey Tucker

Obstructive and long term parking in our smaller shopping centres and Parades should be deterred, but the CCTV car continues to act against the interests of local residents and shopkeepers by penalising motorists who stop for short periods to load and shop.

Will the Administration issue new guidelines to ensure the CCTV car is used to assist local residents and shopkeepers, rather than simply as a "cash cow" for the Council?

4 PAYMENT OF TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES

To the Leader for the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Leader confirm whether any union reps are paid for by the Council, along with a breakdown of those costs (eg FTEs)? In addition, can he give a projection of expenditure for the current financial year?

5 PROVISION OF FOOTBALL PITCHES

To the Cabinet Member for Individuals (Councillor Steven Kelly)

By Councillor Denis O'Flynn

Will the Cabinet Member make a statement about the proposed re-provision of football pitches from the land forming part of Central Park, Gooshays Drive (to the rear of the Albermarle Youth Club) to either the land at Broxhill or Dagnam Park?

6 This question is the subject of referral to the Mayor in accordance with Council Procedure Rule and, if he accepts it (with or without modification), it will be published subsequently.

7 FREQUENCY OF STREET SWEEPING

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member explain how cleaning streets is one of Administration's top priorities when in 2002 the majority of streets were swept once a week, and now they are only swept every three weeks?

8 ENCOURAGING DISABLED PEOPLE TO TAKE UP SPORT

To the Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns & Communities (Councillor Andrew Curtin)

By Councillor Denis Breading

What initiatives will the Administration take to encourage more disabled people in Havering to take up sport?

9 PENSIONS COMMITTEE: REQUIREMENT FOR MEMBER TRAINING

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor David Durant

The March 14th Governance committee recommended that Pension Committee Members and substitutes must undertake compulsory training or be debarred from the Committee!

This is anti-democratic because Members are elected by the voters and should not be debarred from any Committees.

Also it is misguided, because it is based on a misconception that compulsory training will improve decision making. Training may help some Members, but other Members have already had training in the real world and gained a wealth of common sense which they contribute to committee meetings. Indeed, excluding Members with common sense will undermine decision making.

For example, was the decision to gamble £12.5 million in the Icelandic Banks due to a lack of training or common sense?

Therefore Cllr Michael White, do you agree that compulsory training for Members is anti-democratic, misguided and counter-productive, particularly as not all of us have the time, or want, to be professional politicians?

10 SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAMS - vacancies

To the Cabinet Member for Community Safety (Councillor Geoff Starns)

By Councillor Linda Van den Hende

Can the Cabinet Member inform me how many vacancies, in each rank, there are in each of the Havering Safer Neighbourhood Teams?

11 MY SPACE

To the Cabinet Member for Children & Learning (Councillor Paul Rochford)

By Councillor Pat Murray

When will the 'My Space' facilities open for public use? Will he make a statement about the proposed programme of activities to be organised from it?

12 ABOLITION OF HOMES IN HAVERING

To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Mark Logan

Abolishing the ALMO will make it more difficult to remove Council tenants' security of tenure and to impose the compulsory privatisation of Council Housing. However can the Administration confirm that this move is not just a cost cutting exercise, but will improve the delivery of housing services to council tenants?

13 SPITTING

To the Leader fo the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Clarence Barrett

Would the Leader agree that spitting in a public place is an unwelcome habit and will he consider following the example set by the London Borough of Enfield who are seeking to establish a bye-law to ban spitting in public?

14 THE FUTURE OF COUNCIL HOUSING MANAGEMENT IN HAVERING

To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Paul McGeary

Will the Cabinet Member make a statement about the outcome of the recent Tenants' consultation relating to the future of Council housing management in Havering?

15 HIGHWAY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

To the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment (Councillor Robert Benham)

By Councillor Michael Deon Burton

If the Council undertakes a Highway Impact Assessment (HIA) before or after planning applications are submitted, or for any other reason, will local ward councillors be informed and provided with the criteria being used to undertake the HIA. In particular will the HIA consider the environmental impact too?

16 EXCEEDING THE 20mph LIMIT

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Barbara Matthews

Since April 2010 how many penalties have been issued for exceeding the speed limit in 20mph zones?

17 LAMP-POST BANNERS IN UPMINSTER TOWN CENTRE

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Linda Van den Hende

Further to the question at September Council, would the Cabinet Member confirm:

- a) the total cost of installing lamp-post banners in Upminster Town Centre?
- b) the annual income budget?
- c) what income has been generated since the installation?

18 PAYMENTS TO LOBBYISTS

To the Cabinet Member for Value (Councillor Roger Ramsey)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm if any Council funds have been paid to lobbyists over the past five years?

19 LATE NIGHT LEVIES

To the Cabinet Member for Community Safety (Councillor Geoff Starns)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm what the Administration's view is on late night levies on pubs and clubs in Havering?

20 INTERPRETER AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

To the Cabinet Member for Value (Councillor Roger Ramsey)

By Councillor Nic Dodin

Would the Cabinet Member confirm how much was spent on interpreter and translation services in each of the past three financial years?

21 EMPLOYMENT OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS

To the Cabinet Member for Community Safety (Councillor Geoff Starns)

By Councillor John Wood

Would the Cabinet Member confirm whether the Council has employed any private investigators in the last four years and if they have, what was the annual cost and what financial benefit did it achieve?

22 **COMPLIANCE WITH DATA PROTECTION ACT**

To the Leader fo the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Leader of the Council confirm how he ensures that all parts of the Data Protection Act are complied with by the Council?

23 **COMPLAINTS ABOUT INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS - monitoring**

To the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment (Councillor Robert Benham)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm how he monitors complaints made about an individual school?

24 **COUNCIL STAFF: PAYMENT OF BONUSES, AND AS LIMITED COMPANIES**

To the Cabinet Member for Transformation (Councillor Michael Armstrong)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm whether any members of council staff receive bonuses and are paid as limited companies?

25 **RECORDED CRIMES IN HAVERING**

To the Cabinet Member for Community Safety (Councillor Geoff Starns)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the number of recorded crimes in Havering under the various categories of crime for the years ending 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

26 **STAFF AND SALARIES - TOTALS**

To the Cabinet Member for Transformation (Councillor Michael Armstrong)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the number of FTE's and total salary bill, including agency staff, during the financial years ending 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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27 POLICE IN HAVERING - NUMBERS

To the Cabinet Member for Community Safety (Councillor Geoff Starns)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet member confirm the number of police officers based in Havering, split between the different ranks, and confirm the minimum number of officers available at anyone time to deal with 999 calls?