

Council, 20 November 2024

Questions on reports submitted by the Conservative Group

Agenda item 7B: Starting well integration plan:

1. To The Cabinet Member for Children:

The report outlines responses from the Youth Census, in which young people report on their own health. What steps are being taken to ensure that the self-reporting by our youth is in line with the reality?

2. To the Cabinet Member for Children:

The report indicates that 40% of those aged 10-11 are obese or overweight. Does the Cabinet Member support the government suggestion (September 2024) that they may give council's power to limit the opening of fast food restaurants near schools?

3. To the Cabinet Member for Children

38% of respondents stated that they needed volunteering opportunities to help them reach their goals. Could the Cabinet Member please outline what support the council is providing, to the local voluntary sector, to ensure that these much needed opportunities remain available, despite cuts to services?

4. To the Cabinet Member for Children

The report highlights that St Edward's Ward is the 7th highest in London for violent crime committed by youth, and that around half of all Havering's crime is committed by youth. Can the Cabinet Member confirm whether Havering has produced measurable targets for the reduction of youth crime and, if it has, please provide examples of the work being undertaken to achieve them?