

COUNCIL MEETING

QUESTIONS FOR THE CABINET OR CHAIR UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 17

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 17 March 2015

QUESTION NO 1

FROM: COUNCILLOR JULIE SWAN

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

Further to the Full Council Meeting dated 15 July 2014 notice of motion b point 3 could the leader of the council please update us as to the progress of the 'Social Supermarket'?

QUESTION NO 2

FROM: COUNCILLOR STEVE HASTINGS

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING COUNCILLOR STEVE WEMYSS

Can the Cabinet Member for Housing confirm how much has been spent on IT infrastructure and IT provision within the housing department over the last 5 years?

QUESTION NO 3

FROM: COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

Could the Leader of the council update the council on progress on the East Lodge Dementia Care Home?

FROM: COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

Has the new litter and dog poo team started yet and if not, when is it due to start?

QUESTION NO 5

FROM: COUNCILLOR HUGH MASON

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT &

COMMUNITY SAFETY COUNCILLOR ROB NEW

Would the Cabinet Member inform the Council of the action which he intends to take to facilitate the recycling of compact fluorescent lamps (low energy light bulbs containing mercury vapour) as required by the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2013 now that only one collection point remains in the south of the City?

QUESTION NO 6

FROM: COUNCILLOR LEO MADDEN

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY SAFETY COUNCILLOR ROB NEW

Does the Cabinet member agree that the Council should continue the policy of the previous Liberal Democrat Administration of placing solar panels on all our buildings, not only in pursuit of a green agenda, but also to save substantial amounts of money on electricity?"

FROM: COUNCILLOR ALICIA DENNY

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

Following the circumstances surrounding the family of Southsea resident Ashya King leaving England, can the Leader of the Council tell me how far the Portsmouth Safeguarding Children Board's inquiries have progressed and when the council is likely to receive a report?

QUESTION NO 8

FROM: COUNCILLOR MATTHEW WINNINGTON

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COUNCILLOR KEN ELLCOME

There has been much confusion recently caused by contradictory public statements made about traffic issues in the city. Could the Cabinet Member please tell me who makes Traffic and Transportation decisions in this city, himself or the Leader of the Council?

QUESTION NO 9

FROM: COUNCILLOR DARREN SANDERS

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

To which Cabinet briefings have non-Conservative councillors been invited since your administration assumed office?

FROM: COUNCILLOR MICHAEL ANDREWES

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND

SPORT

COUNCILLOR LINDA SYMES

While welcoming the America's Cup Series races as beneficial to both businesses and residents in the city, there is obviously the potential for quite a deal of disruption to residents. Will the cabinet member ensure that residents are kept informed and involved in plans to minimise this disruption and there is continual liaison with ward councillors?

QUESTION NO 11

FROM: COUNCILLOR MICHAEL ANDREWES

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COUNCILLOR KEN ELLCOME

I have noticed in recent weeks that there are a lot of broken pavements, which I have reported to the council, particularly in shopping areas and some that are dangerous. Will the cabinet member ensure that repairs are carried out as quickly as possible and a survey of the pavements in shopping areas is carried out so that the council is not open to possibly paying compensation?

QUESTION NO 12

FROM: COUNCILLOR MICHAEL ANDREWES

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING,

REGENERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COUNCILLOR LUKE STUBBS

Does the current administration continue to support the three centre shopping centre strategy of Gunwharf Quays, City Centre and Southsea and if so will he bring a report to his decision meeting as to how this can be taken forward in the future, particularly with regard to Southsea?

FROM: COUNCILLOR MICHAEL ANDREWES

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COUNCILLOR KEN ELLCOME

While it is something of an intractable problem, does the Cabinet member for Traffic and Transport agree with me and many residents that chewing gum on pavements looks unsightly and will he look to finding ways to mitigate this problem, and work with the manufacturers of chewing gum who make many millions of pounds in profit from selling it to alleviate the problem in Portsmouth and Southsea?