



Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

QUESTIONS FOR THE CABINET OR CHAIR UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 17

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 11 FEBRUARY 2014

QUESTION NO 1

FROM: COUNCILLOR DAVID HORNE

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC &
TRANSPORTATION
COUNCILLOR JASON FAZACKARLEY

What will or is the financial impact on the Councils budget by having all the speed cameras switched off in the City.

QUESTION NO 2

FROM: COUNCILLOR MIKE PARK

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

In politics, what does the Leader think is most important, integrity or expediency?

QUESTION NO 3

FROM: COUNCILLOR ALISTAIR THOMPSON

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

Would the leader the of the Council explain why if a credible allegation of "serious and unwanted sexual advances" is received against a member of staff, that individual is put on administrative leave, to protect themselves, the Council and members of the public - but if a similar complaint is received about an elected member no such action is taken?

QUESTION NO 4

FROM: COUNCILLOR LUKE STUBBS

TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC AND
TRANSPORTATION
COUNCILLOR JASON FAZACKARLEY

In 2011, a complaint was made by a member of the public that the gradient of some of the pavements around bus stops in Edinburgh Road exceeded the DfT guideline of 1:12. Some remedial work was carried out, but the gradients in the vicinity of one of the stops remains in dispute.

Council officers have previously written to the complainant explaining that the gradients around all of the stops would be reduced to less than the DfT maximum. However an independent measurement recently ordered by the council shows that the gradients by one of the stops are 1:11.

What steps will the Portfolio Holder take to rectify this and will he and the Chief Executive agree to meet the complainant to discuss it?

QUESTION NO 5

FROM: COUNCILLOR STEVE WEMYSS

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

What steps if any are being considered to stop the damage the weather is causing to South Parade Pier? Does the council intend to issue of a repair notice?

QUESTION NO 6

FROM: COUNCILLOR ALISTAIR THOMPSON

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON

Does the Leader of the Council share my concerns that if the Council is made aware that there is a prima facie case against an employee or member of this authority that they have broken Council rules and then fails to take action, including leaving the individual in a position of trust that it might expose itself to future litigation and would it therefore need to set aside money in the

Council's contingency to meet any costs incurred?