

QUESTION TIME

Questions from Members to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees or Members appointed to represent the Council on a Joint Committee in accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution.

There are 4 questions to the Leader and 6 questions to Cabinet Members, Committee Chairs and Member appointed to represent the Council on a Joint Committee.

1. From Councillor Spillman to Councillor Gledhill

Does the portfolio holder agree that efficiency and efficacy appear to be absent considerations within Thurrock Council's current approach to the replacement of blown and faulty windows in council homes?

2. From Councillor Spillman to Councillor Gledhill

Can the portfolio holder assure me that areas outside the borough, known to be rife with prostitution, drug use and associated crime, will no longer be considered suitable locations for the temporary housing of homeless Thurrock residents?

3. From Councillor Pothecary to Councillor Gledhill

There is an ongoing issue with parking for the western High Rises in Grays. Residents and tenants of Davall, Butler and Greenwood Houses are struggling to park their cars in the small car park dedicated to them. Can the Portfolio Holder give an update on any forthcoming plans to provide more parking for the High Rises?

4. From Councillor Redsell to Councillor Gledhill

Could the portfolio holder tell me how many fixed penalty notices have been issued for littering or similar environmental offences under the clean it, cut it, full it initiative?

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS TO CABINET MEMBERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND MEMBERS APPOINTED TO REPRESENT THE COUNCIL ON A JOINT COMMITTEE

1. From Councillor Duffin to Councillor Hebb

While the Council has made some progress in its short term and medium term investments please can you announce how many long term investments of over 5 year the Council have made since you took over the administration?

2. From Councillor B Rice to Councillor Halden

Are the Integrated Medical Centres dependant on the closure of Orsett Hospital?

3. From Councillor Maney to Councillor Halden

The building occupied by Little Friends Pre-School and the nearby sports pavilion on Blackshots Playing field are in a very poor state of repair having essentially exceeded their life expectancy. Would the Portfolio Holder for Education and Health advise what plans the council has to replace or fully refurbish the said buildings given that they are still widely used by the community?

4. From Councillor G Rice to Councillor Coxshall

Councillor Coxshall please can you inform the Council this evening what meetings you have had with Highways Ministers and Chris Grayling Secretary of State for Transport to secure the best environmental measures to protect our green belt and residents from the scars of the proposed Lower Thames Crossing in Thurrock?

5. From Councillor Gerrish to Councillor Coxshall

Can the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration outline the next steps in the development of the Local Plan?

6. From Councillor Redsell to Councillor B Little

I understand that council policy currently prohibit residents acquiring a dropped kerb if the road / pavement is on a radius. Would the portfolio holder advise whether this policy could be amended so as to allow for discretion to be exercised in cases where there are no obvious safety concerns?