

ITEM 6

## QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There is 1 question from a member of the public.

## 1. From Mr Perrin to Councillor J Kent Leader of the Council

I would remind you of the reply you gave to Mr Aaron Mohammed on 24th October, 2012 to his supplementary question regarding "Decent Homes". You stated "I think that the important thing for me is that the Government's standard as far as I am concerned does not go far enough. What we want to do is raise our standards so that we have a Thurrock Decent Homes standard which goes far beyond that of the current government standard". Would you confirm that, at the very least, Safe Homes are of equal importance to you and your Administration and Council owned rented housing should be free of potentially life threatening hazards such as asbestos and toxic mould and that you are prepared to go far beyond the current health and safety recommendations in order to achieve a "Thurrock Safe Homes standard"?