



ITEM 14

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 is 1 question to the Leader and a further 6 questions to Cabinet Members, Committee Chairs and Member appointed to represent the Council on a Joint Committee.

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS TO THE LEADER

1. From Councillor Healy

"Could the Leader of the Council update us all on the Council's efforts to maintain a Post Office in Grays following the decision of WH Smiths to leave the town?"

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

1. From Councillor C Kent to Councillor B Rice

"How is Thurrock Council responding to the news that BTUH is being investigated by the Government in respect of high mortality rates?"

2. From Councillor Hebb to Councillor B Rice

"In 2010, Conservative councillors were told that the pursuit of quality care in Basildon & Thurrock Hospital could 'damn the hospital' by a Labour councillor. Does the administration now regret not voting en masse for the Secretary of State to intervene into the declining performance of BTUH back in 2010?"

3. From Councillor Ray to Councillor Morris-Cook

"Can the Cabinet Member inform the Chamber how many residents in council accommodation will be affected by the imposition of a charge on unused bedrooms from 1 April 2013?"

4. From Councillor Gledhill to Councillor Morris-Cook

"Could the portfolio holder outline how much rental income has been lost over the past 2 years from void/empty properties?"

5. From Councillor Gledhill to Councillor P. Smith

"How much money has this council secured under the Proceeds of Crime Act following fraud enquiry in the last 2 years?"

6. From Councillor Anderson to Councillor Morris-Cook

"Please can the portfolio holder advise what routes are currently available to local residents for Housing and benefits enquiries following the closure of the Corringham and Purfleet local offices?"