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 5 questions to the Leader and 9 questions to Cabinet Members, Committee Chairs and Member appointed to represent the Council on a Joint Committee.

1. From Councillor Jones to Councillor Gledhill

Would the Leader agree with me how disappointing is was that when attending Grays Town Centre memorial for Friday the 11th of November remembrance service that traffic was not even halted for the minutes silence.

2. From Councillor Spillman to Councillor Gledhill

Does the Portfolio Holder agree that the 1% social rent decrease has ended any hope of the council building enough homes to meet the demand of the increasing population in Thurrock?

3. From Councillor Gerrish to Councillor Gledhill

Considering the current consultation underway, does the Leader support the closure of Children's Centres in Thurrock?

4. From Councillor Gerrish to Councillor Gledhill

Could the Leader please update the chamber on progress on the 2017/18 budget. In particular, have all savings or income generating measures for 2017/18 now been identified or are we still short of target?

5. From Councillor Collins to Councillor Gledhill

Since the ban on Trap Driving on the Manorway came into force in July this year, how many Trap Drivers have been stopped and fined please?

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

Can you advise if conversations between Thurrock Council and the Government have taken place regarding the pledge by the government that 100% of Business Rates will be kept by local authorities?

2. From Councillor G Rice to Councillor MacPherson

When will the Pyramid Centre at Orsett Heath be refurbished using the £160,000 Section 106 monies from the Thurrock Technical College Development so the 4 new football pitches can become operational for the Community?

3. From Councillor G Rice to Councillor Tolson

When will the asbestos at the garages in Oxford Avenue Chadwell be removed as children are playing near this hazardous material?

4. From Councillor J Kent to Councillor Hebb

Will the Portfolio Holder explain the rationale behind the creation of the post of Director of Strategy, Communications and Customer Services?

5. From Councillor B Rice to Councillor Tolson

Can the Portfolio Holder explain why are Blue, Black and Green wheelie bins being collected by the same waste truck and therefore being mixed together?

6. From Councillor B Rice to Councillor Halden

Can the Portfolio Holder tell us what progress has been made in the recruitment of much needed GPs.

7. From Councillor Spillman to Councillor Gledhill

The future of the Housing Advice and Support Service (HASS) looks very uncertain at the current time. Can the Portfolio Holder explain what impact the closure of this service would have on Thurrock?

8. From Councillor Pothecary to Councillor Halden

It has been reported that Thurrock schools are facing potentially devastating cuts with Thameside Primary School set to lose funding equivalent to ten teachers. What actions will the Portfolio Holder be taking to fight these cuts from central Government?

9. From Councillor J Kent to Councillor Halden

How many delayed hospital discharges have there been into Thurrock since 1st June 2016?