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 was 2 questions to the Leader and 11 questions to Cabinet Members, Committee Chairs and Member appointed to represent the Council on a Joint Committee.

1. From Councillor Byrne to Councillor Gledhill

Can you explain the reasoning to continue with outsourcing our enforcement/warden contract?

2. From Councillor J Kent to Councillor Gledhill

Will the Leader of the Council give an update on plans to create a new South West Essex Council consisting of Thurrock and Basildon?

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

1. From Councillor Byrne to Councillor Huelin

Information on why we have a number of senior staff leaving at the same time please?

2. From Councillor Worrall to Councillor Johnson

Following your recent announcement that you have asked officers to produce a damp and mould report could you please advise the chamber what the content of the report is likely to include and what the process and time line is for this report to be actioned?

3. From Councillor Worrall to Councillor Watkins

Following the announcement of parks having new equipment fitted could you please advise when the park in Hathaway Road is to be upgraded in line with other parks?

4. From Councillor Okunade to Councillor Halden

The COVID-19 lockdown has seen a national increase in reported incidents of serious harm involving children. Can the Portfolio Holder assure us that measures are being taken to ensure vulnerable children in Thurrock are not "hidden from view" of the social care and have access to available support networks?

5. From Councillor Okunade to Councillor Jefferies

Independent of a lot of work that schools are doing to provide education during the lockdown, can the Portfolio Holder inform us of what he is doing to support children and young people to not fall any further behind in their education?

6. From Councillor Holloway to Councillor Johnson

What alternative financial options has the Portfolio Holder been presented with, in order to ensure older residents do not need to shoulder the financial burden of electronic security gates?

7. From Councillor Kerin to Councillor Johnson

Can the Portfolio Holder please say when he thinks it is likely a decision will be made about potential housing being built on the Grays Beach car park?

8. From Councillor Gerrish to Councillor Maney

Can the Portfolio Holder give an update on any HGV mitigation measures planned in West Thurrock & South Stifford?

9. From Councillor J Kent to Councillor Watkins

Why were refuse collections not completed on any day during the recent snowy weather?

10. From Councillor J Kent to Councillor Watkins

When will the brown bin service resume?

11. From Councillor Holloway to Councillor Mayes

Will the Portfolio Holder for Health join me in formally congratulating our NHS staff for their incredible work to date and continue to support them as this pandemic persists?