

COUNCIL 30 JUNE 2016 – ORAL QUESTIONS

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| 1 | <p><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER</u> <u>(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CHAUDY</u></p> <p>Can the Council list any projects that might be affected by the possible withdrawal of EU funding?</p> |
| 2 | <p><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER</u> <u>(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALKER</u></p> <p>The Leader and his cabinet took a decision at Cabinet on 15 May 2014 to ‘carry out procurement processes for the future management of the Council’s leisure centres and arts venues.’ Officers were delegated by this decision, over two years ago, to take this decision forward, but outcomes are still awaited. This prevarication has continued with other improvement plans being placed on hold with belated referrals back to Council managers in-house, to take their operational performance to acceptable levels.</p> <p>If it was the case that our own managers could have made the improvements needed, why were they not challenged and given the freedom to do so in 2012 when Labour took power or in 2014 when you became Leader? Had you possessed the courage and insight to act then, their potential and effectiveness could already have been assessed. Instead, below par performance continues to be tolerated and inactivity prevails as your administration approaches the end of its five year term.</p> |
| 3 | <p><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER</u> <u>(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ALI</u></p> <p>I'm sure we are all very shocked and saddened by the news of MP Jo Cox murder recently. Jo was an exceptional politician, caring, compassionate, energetic and highly effective. For us as Councillors the fact that Jo was murdered after holding her surgery, something we all do, is particularly poignant. Can I have a statement or has this Council taken any risk assessment for the Elected members and the Council staffs?</p> |

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| 4 | <p><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER</u> <u>(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOYLE</u></p> <p>Is the European Social Fund money earmarked for the Inspire 2 Achieve programme secure, in light of the EU referendum result?</p> |
| 5 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE</u> <u>(ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROBSON</u></p> <p>What plans does the Council have for the Graving docks?</p> |
| 6 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL</u> <u>(TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON</u></p> <p>Riverside people and the ward councillors welcome the planned introduction of a 20 mph zone across the ward. When will this be implemented?</p> |
| 7 | <p><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER</u> <u>(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOODMAN</u></p> <p>Have any security pass badges been issued to anyone other than Councillors or Council employed staff to be able to access County Hall & City Hall freely; and, if they have, please advise to whom, when and why or whether there are any plans to issue any such security pass badges to anyone other than a Council employed employee or Councillor within the next 6 weeks?</p> |
| 8 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE</u> <u>(ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON</u></p> <p>As there are tailbacks of traffic on Lamby Way already, what will happen when Wedal Road Recycling Centre closes?</p> |

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| 9 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL</u></p> <p>Despite the shortage of housing in Cardiff, we need to review policy regarding blocks of flats with communal areas where one severely anti-social tenant can subject five or more tenants to years of misery. A sensitive let can be arranged after they are asked to move on or when they are evicted from the flat.</p> <p>However, if another tenant in the block transfers or moves out at around the same time, the sensitive let criteria does not apply to that flat creating the potential for those remaining tenants and the new sensitive let to be at the mercy of a new anti-social tenant. Therefore, can the sensitive let policy be reviewed to cover the whole block of flats to give those remaining tenants some quality of life?</p> |
| 10 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOWDEN</u></p> <p>What consequences to you foresee arising from the Council's decision to backtrack on issuing FPNs for term time holidays and setting the bar at 90% attendance rather than the Welsh target of 95% and above; and how do you intend to communicate this to Headteachers and Chairs of Governors?</p> |
| 11 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANDERS</u></p> <p>What specific actions will this administration be taking to ensure the safety of our residents in the light of reports of racial and religious abuse?</p> |
| 12 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARTER</u></p> |

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| | How will the council engage councillors in any highway resurfacing programmes in their wards in 2016/17? |
| 13 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM THOMAS</u></p> <p>The Council are currently working on a new Charter with the Community Councils. I understand that not one of them is happy with the new Charter, and none are willing to sign up to it. As we seem to be at something of an impasse, what steps will the Cabinet member take to progress the issue towards a workable charter for all? Our community councils do fantastic work, all are volunteer members and at the moment are feeling very frustrated.</p> |
| 14 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON</u></p> <p>Pavements are meant to provide refuge for pedestrians – what is the Council's position on cars that park on pavements and bicycles that are ridden on pavements?</p> |
| 15 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK</u></p> <p>The ruling administration forecasts that the 58% recycling target will be met for 2015/16 in Cardiff. Please could you provide the proportionate breakdown for these recycling figures by each of the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bottom ash • Garden waste • Street leaf sweepings • Food waste • Glass • Paper • Tin/metal • Melted down former wheelie bins • Other plastics excluding melted down former wheelie bins |

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| | <p>Please could a comparable breakdown also be provided for the 53% recycling figure achieved in 2014/15.</p> |
| 16 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON</u></p> <p>What action is the Council currently taking to prevent the sub-letting of social housing and what level of sub-letting is estimated to exist?</p> |
| 17 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CHAIR OF PLANNING COMMITTEE)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL</u></p> <p>Given that people in Cardiff are still being told that the previous administration's rejected 'brownfield-only' LDP is a viable option, can he identify any viable brown field sites that are not in flood plain areas which currently have no plans to build on them at present and can he outline the progress on those that are?</p> |
| 18 | <p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON</u></p> <p>Are barbecues and fires allowed to be lit in our Council parks and sports fields?</p> |