

**COUNCIL, 27 NOVEMBER 2014 : WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE (COUNCILLOR PETER BRADBURY)**

W1	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES</u></b></p> <p>At July’s meeting of Full Council, I asked you whether Cardiff Council would put systems in place to ensure that matters designated as PACT priorities would be dealt with more swiftly by Cardiff Council, so that residents’ biggest concerns are fast-tracked for resolution. I was given the ludicrous answer that ‘all problems reported to the council are priorities’ – which is meaningless because if everything is deemed a priority, then obviously nothing in reality is prioritised. Have you reassessed your position, and will you act to ensure that PACT priorities are recognised as such by the council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In my last response to this question I outlined that there are a wide variety of issues raised at the PACT meetings which require different responses dependant on the nature of the concerns raised by residents. PACT priorities are fed into the Council alongside a large number of other issues raised through different mechanisms and will be considered via the established routes that the Council has for responding to specific local concerns.</p> <p>As I also said previously, if a Ward Member goes to their PACT meeting and then represents their constituents in raising matters with the Council in relation to specific priorities that are raised and identified at PACT meetings, then the Council will deal with it accordingly. However, PACT meetings are only one mechanism for community feedback and we need to ensure that we consider all issues raised by constituents in determining local priorities.</p>						
W2	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>What is the 13/14 budget for the Mansion House?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The 2013-14 revenue budget for the Mansion House is detailed below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="296 1995 995 2123"><tr><td><b>Profit and loss account</b></td><td><b>2013-14 (£)</b></td></tr><tr><td>Employees</td><td>34,770</td></tr><tr><td>Facilities Management</td><td>72,180</td></tr></table>	<b>Profit and loss account</b>	<b>2013-14 (£)</b>	Employees	34,770	Facilities Management	72,180
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Carbon Allowances	780
Equipment & Materials	2,270
General Laundry	100
Telephones	1,960
Mobile Telephones	150
Printing & Stationery	40
Insurances	50
<b>**Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>112,300</b>
Internal Lettings	(30,000)
External Lettings	(126,220)
<b>**Income</b>	<b>(156,220)</b>
<b>***Net Expenditure</b>	<b>(43,920)</b>

There is no staff cost allocated to the Mansion House currently as this is met from the overall Venues Management budget. All staff cost associated with the management of any function at the venue is met by the function hire fee.

W3

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much was spent on upgrading libraries between 2008-2012?

**Reply**

The total figure spent on upgrading libraries between 2008-12 is £9,509,902.49. This figure covers a number of projects including:

RFID Self Service Project	£888,023.59
Upgrade of public access PCs	£70,114.67
Refurbishment of Fairwater Library	£256,694.29
Penylan Leisure Hub	£1,841,238.07
Refurbishment of Radyr Library within the period specified	£290,557.56
Refurbishment of St Mellons Hub	£25,185.21
Refurbishment of Cathays Library	£1,212,616.30
Fire Protection Works	£33,913.52
DDA Works	£26,555.31
Central Library	£4,774,911.28
Refurbishment of Canton Library within the period specified	£21,258.73
Building Improvements and ground works	£68,834.20

W4	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much has been spent on upgrading libraries since 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The total figure spent on upgrading libraries since the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 is 1,894,596.84. This covers a number of projects:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ely &amp; Caerau Hub = £710,000</li> <li>• Refurbishment of Radyr Library within the period specified = £273,485.75</li> <li>• Refurbishment of Canton Library within the period specified = £727,604.15</li> <li>• Establishment of Loudon Square Library Hub = £12,256.5</li> <li>• Central Library remedial works – Doors = £88,939.46</li> <li>• Central Library remedial works – Glass = £80,049.75</li> <li>• Building Improvements and ground work = £2261.14</li> </ul>
W5	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much has been spent on updating council leisure centres since 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>£1,349,949.59</p>
W6	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much was spent on upgrading Council leisure centres during the Plaid-Liberal Democrat administration 2008-2012?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>£2,874,447.56</p>

**CORPORATE SERVICES AND PERFORMANCE (COUNCILLOR GRAHAM HINCHEY)**

W7	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>What valuation in cash terms has been placed on Mansion House?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>No current valuation of the Mansion House is available.</p>
W8	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>What is the 13/14 budget for the office of Lord Mayor?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The budget for the Office of the Lord Mayor was £174,230 in 2013/14.</p>
W9	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>What is the 13/14 budget for the maintenance of the council IT servers?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The total server maintenance cost for 2013/14 was £48,131.</p>
W10	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>Is the council considering a move to a cloud based IT system?</p> <p>If so, what are the anticipated savings?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council is already using a number of cloud based services on a case-by-case business assessment basis. As an example, we have in excess of 20 applications that run ‘in the cloud’ or are hosted externally and accessed via the Internet. We have 32 websites that are hosted in the cloud or externally.</p> <p>In terms of the anticipated savings, it is difficult to quantify but cloud services are certainly part of the Council’s future delivery options and based on a case-by-case evaluation is expected to be an increasing part of our service offering, but it is not possible at this point to put a ballpark figure on expected savings.</p>

W11	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>On average in 12/13, how much does a council meeting at City Hall cost the council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In 2012/13, the only cost attributable to a Council Meeting at City Hall related to refreshments provided at the meeting. The average cost of refreshments was £850. There were no costs for room hire.</p>
W12	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>On average in 13/14, how much does a cabinet meeting at City Hall cost the council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The only cost attributable to a Cabinet Meeting at City Hall relates to refreshments provided at the meeting. The average cost of refreshments was £42.90. There are no costs for room hire.</p>
W13	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>How much would a council meeting at County Hall cost the council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As at City Hall, the only cost attributable to a Council Meeting at County Hall would relate to refreshments (tea and coffee only) provided at the meeting. There would be no costs for room hire.</p>
W14	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>On average in 12/13, how much did a cabinet meeting at County Hall cost the council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In 2012/13 the only cost attributable to a Cabinet Meeting at County Hall relates to refreshments provided at the meeting. The average cost of refreshments was £36. There are no costs for room hire.</p>

W15 **WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER**

How many buildings do the council rent and what is the total rental cost to the council?

**Reply**

The Council pays rent for 36 properties at a cost of £1,939,940.10. Six of these are leaseholds where the lease term is between 80 and 999 years. All property assets and leases are being reviewed as part of the Council's Corporate Property Strategy, which was approved by the Cabinet on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

W16 **WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER**

Please could you list the non statutory bodies where the council pay for membership, and the annual cost of that membership?

**Reply**

	£
Arboricultural Association	296
ADEW (Association of Directors of Education in Wales)	3,308
Adoption UK	1,150
ADSS (Association of Directors for Social Services)	600
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Alarm	495
All Wales Chief Housing Officer Panel	500
Association for Petroleum & Explosives Administration	150
APSE (Association for Public Service Excellence)	10,636
Association of Chief Trading Standards Officers	300
Association of Film Commissioners International	721
Association of Independent Museums	55
Association of Project Safety	75
BIFM (British Institute of Facilities Management)	1,565
British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy	340
British Association of Adoption and Fostering (BAAF)	11,225
British Computer Society	420
BSI (British Standards Institute)	769
BSI (British Standards Institute)	2,487
Cardiff & SE Wales Occupational Health & Safety Group	40
Chartered Institute of Housing	3,517
Children in Wales	88
CLAW (Consortium of Local Authorities in Wales)	1,500
Co-operative Councils Innovation Network (CCIN)	7,900

Core Cities UK - part year (£40,000 full year)	20,000	
Cymorth Cymru	700	
Freight Transport Association	1,104	
Governors Wales	750	
Group for Education in Museums	99	
Institute for Outdoor Learning	90	
Institute of Cemeteries & Crematoria Management	965	
Institute of Groundsmanship	98	
LAVAT Consulting Ltd Forum & Helpline	1,550	
Lawyers in Local Government	500	
Learning Disabilities Wales	140	
Local Authority Recycling Advisory Committee	380	
Local Authority Training Consortium	700	
Local Land Charges Institute	115	
London Advice Services Alliance	330	
National Association of Equipment Providers	44	
National Day Nurseries Association	280	
National Outdoor Events Association	185	
NICEIC	449	
Nuclear Free Local Authorities (NFLAs)	2,552	
Play Wales	100	
Renewable Energy Association	175	
Resource Efficiency Wales	6,286	
RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) Enterprises	195	
RICS (Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors) Building Cost Information Service	1950	
RICS (Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors) Online Service	645	
Road Safety Wales	229	
RoSPA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents)	229	
SAP User Group	600	
SE Wales Constructing Excellence	100	
Social History Curators Group	55	
Society of Welsh Treasurers	2,400	
SOCITM (Society of Information Technology Management) Insight	1,550	
SOCITM (Society of Information Technology Management)	140	
SOLACE (Society of Local Authority Chief Executives)	467	
South Wales Adoption Agency Consortium	11,051	
Speechlink	1,000	
Tai Pawb	1,750	
The AT Work Partnership	189	
The Federation Of Museums & Art	250	
The Fostering Network	8,668	

The Museums Association (London)	623	
Trading Standards Institute	300	
Transport Statistics User Group	50	
UK Theatre Association	3,668	
Wales Leaving Care Forum	100	
Wales Pre-School Providers Association	297	
Wales Purchasing Consortium	12150	
WJEC (Welsh Joint Education Committee)	112,570	
WLGA (Welsh Local Government Association)	500	
WLGA (Welsh Local Government Association)	170,984	
WLGA (Welsh Local Government Association) - National Employers Levy	9,869	
WLGA (Welsh Local Government Association) - Regional Employers Levy	10,125	

W17

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much revenue would be generated by an increase of 1% in the financial year 2015?

**Reply**

In order to answer this question, more specific information is required as to what the 1% increase relates to.

W18

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much was spent by Cardiff Council on taxis in 2013 per department?

**Reply**

The overall spend on taxis by the Council in 2013/14 was £2.608 million of which £2.110 million was in respect of school transport. The majority of the other spend was also in relation to supporting clients and this was particularly the case in Children's Services, Communities, Housing & Customer Services, Education and Health & Social Care. A breakdown of the figures by directorate is as follows:

<b>Taxi Spend 2013/14</b>	<b>Total (£)</b>
Children's Services	<b>62,964.61</b>
Communities, Housing & Customer Services	<b>26,972.66</b>
Corporate Management	<b>255.00</b>



	County Clerk & Monitoring Officer	<b>2,108.90</b>
	Economic Development	<b>1,174.70</b>
	Education	<b>109,094.54</b>
	Environment	<b>3,246.50</b>
	Health & Social Care	<b>261,485.02</b>
	Resources	<b>19,734.00</b>
	Sport, Leisure & Culture	<b>10,604.95</b>
	Strategic Planning, Highways, Traffic & Transport	<b>27.00</b>
	Total =	<b>497,667.88</b>
	Schools Taxi Transport	<b>2,110,653.00</b>
	Total =	<b>2,608,320.88</b>
W19	<b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b>	
	<p>Does the Council pay accommodation bills to people who work for them in various forms and, if so, what was the bill for 2012, 2013 and up to now in 2014?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council does not pay accommodation bills per se for people who work for us. However, the Council has paid relocation expenses for staff appointed to posts within the Council and who qualify under the Council's removal expenses policy. It should be noted that, as part of the current Workforce Package that is in place, the Council has withdrawn this policy from 1 August 2014.</p>	
W20	<b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b>	
	<p>In how many private sector companies does the Council have equity?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council has interests in three subsidiary companies and one joint venture. They are Cardiff City Transport Ltd (Cardiff Bus); Cardiff Business Technology Centre Ltd.; Cardiff Business Council; and Cardiff Medicentre Joint Venture (44.5% share).</p>	
W21	<b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b>	
	<p>Have there been any further discussions on Cardiff using a percentage of the pension fund to provide finance in local business, as was at the end of the 2008-12 administration?</p>	

**Reply**

The Cardiff & Vale of Glamorgan Pension Fund has not invested locally for some considerable time, despite being open to such an investment should one arise, subject of course, to being satisfied of its likely return.

The Pension Fund has recently examined two local investment opportunities, but decided not to invest in either case. Both opportunities were considered too high risk and neither had a track record of previous success.

W22

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What was the annual increase in Cardiff Council tax since creating Cardiff Unitary Authority?

**Reply**

The annual increases in Cardiff Council Tax (Council element only) since local government re-organisation in 1996 are listed in the table below:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>% Increase</b>	<b>Band D Rate</b>
1996/1997	N/A	£375.83
1997/1998	15.81%	£435.23
1998/1999	12.20%	£488.33
1999/2000	3.62%	£506.00
2000/2001	8.90%	£551.02
2001/2002	9.71%	£604.52
2002/2003	8.70%	£657.09
2003/2004	11.95%	£735.61
2004/2005	2.58%	£754.58
2005/2006	-0.57%	£750.25
2006/2007	4.25%	£782.10
2007/2008	4.13%	£814.42
2008/2009	3.53%	£843.20
2009/2010	4.34%	£879.78
2010/2011	2.94%	£905.65
2011/2012	1.94%	£923.24
2012/2013	1.44%	£936.56
2013/2014	0%	£936.56
2014/2015	3.97%	£973.77

W23	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What was Cardiff Council's total budget for 2014-15?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Cardiff Council's net revenue budget for 2014/15 was set at £585.288m.</p> <p>At £199.814m, delegated schools' budgets account for 34% of the £585.288m.</p>
W24	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What options are being considered for the Waungron Road Recycling Centre site?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council is currently undertaking a site feasibility and appraisal exercise to determine the potential future uses for the Waungron Road site. Details will be discussed with local members in due course.</p>
W25	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many people perform a service for Cardiff Council that the Council pays for their accommodation?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I refer you to the previous answer provided to q19</p>
W26	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What's the total money paid in tax bills by Cardiff County Council since 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As your question does not specify explicitly which particular tax, I am unable to provide a response.</p>
W27	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p>

	<p>Is a proportion of Cardiff Council's pension fund invested in the arms trade?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Cardiff &amp; Vale of Glamorgan Pension Fund commissions Fund managers to invest in companies they believe will yield the best long-term returns within an acceptable level of risk, in line with the Fund's published investment objectives. This includes companies in the defence and security sectors and this has been the case since the City of Cardiff Council became the Pension Fund's administering authority back in 1996.</p>																
W28	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Does Cardiff Council use any produce from Israel?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The following fruit and vegetables are sourced from various Israeli regions and exported via the port of Jaffa in Israel. It will be extremely difficult to determine exactly where this produce was grown. Many of the items below are seasonal products and not bought all year around, with oranges being the main product line sourced.</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="276 1249 1276 1590"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Product</u></th> <th><u>Current Contracted Supplier</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Oranges</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Melons</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Butternut Squash</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tomatoes</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Peppers</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grapefruits</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Strawberries</td> <td>Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Current Contracted Supplier</u>	Oranges	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Melons	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Butternut Squash	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Tomatoes	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Peppers	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Grapefruits	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop	Strawberries	Brakes / Castell Howell / WR Bishop
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W29	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>If the salary of the Chief Executive, before pension, is £100k a year and every director is £80k, with deputy directors on £60k, how much would be saved compared with the current salary levels?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This question is purely hypothetical and does not accurately reflect the current Pay Policy which has been agreed by the Council or any existing contracts of employment.</p>																
W30	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p>																

	<p>How many properties does the Council have in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 the Council has 1134 operational and non-operational properties.</p> <p>As of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 there is a total of 13,650 council housing stock.</p>
W31	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Specify the total number of empty properties that the council has in Cardiff since 05/11/14?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 49 of the Council's 1134 operational and non-operational properties are currently empty.</p> <p>As of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 there were 301 void properties and 13,349 properties occupied within the Council housing stock.</p>
W32	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much did the Council spend on taxis for Councillors in 2013; identify for every councillor.</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This information for the 2013/14 financial year is publicly available on the Council's website as part of the published figures on Member Remuneration and Allowances.</p>
W33	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What trips abroad have cabinet members taken since 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 and what was the cost, noting information for every relevant councillor?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This information is publicly available on the Council's website as part of the published register of member attendance at conferences.</p>
W34	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p>

	<p>If Council Tax was raised according to the amount suggested by Plaid Cymru in the budget for 2013, what would be the cumulative value of this increase be in the 2014 budget and the 2015 projected budget?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This question is purely hypothetical and I see no merit in answering such questions.</p>
W35	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>If a property is compulsory purchased by the Council, what valuation is paid, the highest, the average or the lowest?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Legislation prescribes the basis of valuation, which is essentially the open market value of the subject property at the date of valuation. In the event that an agreement cannot be reached on the actual valuation between the parties, facility exists to refer matter to the Land Tribunal for independent determination.</p>
W36	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the list of assets of community value in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>No assets of community value have been registered by the Council.</p>
W37	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What assets have been nominated unsuccessfully through the community nomination process?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>No nominations have been made to register assets of community value.</p>

**EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (COUNCILLOR SUE LENT)**

W38	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of the Cardiff play budget is spent on Welsh medium provision?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In the current 2014/15 financial year it is just over 8% of the total Play budget.</p>
W39	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Without naming individuals, can the children's services department outline the reasons why members of these extended families have not had permission to care for the children?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>It is the policy of the council to encourage extended families to care for relative children wherever possible and appropriate. Whenever extended family members who have come forward are declined, this is always as a result of a thorough assessment process, many of which are considered by the Courts or the Fostering Panel. However, it is not possible to categorise the reasons in simple terms since the reasons are frequently highly specific to their circumstances.</p>
W40	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many Looked After Children are there in Cardiff? Please note if this is foster care or residential care.</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014, 638 children were looked after by the City of Cardiff Council. Of these, 443 were placed in foster care and 61 placed in residential care.</p> <p>Of the remaining 134 children, 36 were placed for adoption; 53 placed with parents; 41 in independent living; 2 were in hospital and 2 were in prison.</p>

W41	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of children in care achieved 5 C grade GCSEs and above in 2014?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council is dependent on Welsh Government providing this data which is not yet available for the 2014 year.</p>
W42	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of children in care in Cardiff went on to study A Level in 2014?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This information is not routinely gathered to answer this specific question and would necessitate an extensive trawl of age related files.</p>
W43	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of children in care in Cardiff achieved less than 5 grade C GCSEs in 2014? Please note the number of children also.</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council is dependent on Welsh Government providing this data which is not yet available for the 2014 year.</p>
W44	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of children in care in Cardiff achieved any qualifications in year 11 in 2014? Please note the number of children also.</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council is dependent on Welsh Government providing this data which is not yet available for the 2014 year.</p>



W45	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>In order to consider the voice of the child, how many children in care, as a percentage in general, have been asked to live with their extended family?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This information is not routinely gathered to answer this specific question and would entail a comprehensive audit of approximately 600 looked after children's files in order to do so. Statutory guidance requires the council to exhaust all such options and to ascertain the wishes and feelings of all looked after children in the course of developing their care plans and at each six monthly statutory review thereafter.</p>
W46	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much was spent on taxis by the Children's Services Department in 2012 and 2013?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Expenditure on taxis in Children's Services was £62,964.61 in 2013/14 and £88,225.69 in 2012/13. The majority of this spend is on transporting children or family members for a wide variety of reasons.</p>

**EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (COUNCILLOR SUE LENT) AND EDUCATION AND SKILLS (COUNCILLOR JULIA MAGILL)**

W47	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What's the total of the youth and play budget in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Youth Service budget is £2,850,108 and the total Play budget for 2014/15 is £1,021,490. Total = £3,871,598.</p>
W48	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much does Cardiff spend on Welsh medium youth and play provision?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Youth Service spend on Welsh medium provision staffing is £135,853.</p> <p>The Welsh medium Play provision for 2014/15 is £83,816.</p> <p>Total = £219,669.</p>

**EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (COUNCILLOR SUE LENT) AND HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING (COUNCILLOR SUSAN ELSMORE)**

W49	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many social workers were employed by Cardiff between 5 November 1999-2014; (note gender)?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Please see following table, data only available since November 2005.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="277 629 1422 1205"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Year</th> <th colspan="2">No. of Social Workers (Children's Services)</th> <th colspan="2">No. of Social Workers (Health &amp; Social Care)</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Male</th> <th>Female</th> <th>Male</th> <th>Female</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Nov 2005</td> <td>17</td> <td>108</td> <td>24</td> <td>125</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2006</td> <td>18</td> <td>104</td> <td>32</td> <td>124</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2007</td> <td>18</td> <td>100</td> <td>33</td> <td>124</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2008</td> <td>20</td> <td>98</td> <td>34</td> <td>120</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2009</td> <td>23</td> <td>98</td> <td>43</td> <td>131</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2010</td> <td>15</td> <td>108</td> <td>42</td> <td>134</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2011</td> <td>14</td> <td>111</td> <td>40</td> <td>130</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2012</td> <td>16</td> <td>119</td> <td>35</td> <td>120</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2013</td> <td>14</td> <td>105</td> <td>38</td> <td>124</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nov 2014</td> <td>17</td> <td>103</td> <td>38</td> <td>114</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	No. of Social Workers (Children's Services)		No. of Social Workers (Health & Social Care)		Male	Female	Male	Female	Nov 2005	17	108	24	125	Nov 2006	18	104	32	124	Nov 2007	18	100	33	124	Nov 2008	20	98	34	120	Nov 2009	23	98	43	131	Nov 2010	15	108	42	134	Nov 2011	14	111	40	130	Nov 2012	16	119	35	120	Nov 2013	14	105	38	124	Nov 2014	17	103	38	114
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W50	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>In Cardiff, how many managers supervise social worker cases without having their own case loads?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p><b>Learning Disability Services</b> – Two managers for two teams (East &amp; West teams)</p> <p><b>Mental Health</b> – In the Community Mental Health Teams, all social work managers have caseloads even if it is simply short term duty caseloads. The teams each have an integrated manager (Cardiff &amp; Vale UHB) and a social work manager. The integrated managers do not have caseloads, but only supervise the social work leads.</p> <p><b>Assessment &amp; Care Management</b> – There is no direct case management by managers; however, there are some pending allocation cases which are overseen by Team Managers. There are 4 managers in the service for each of the teams:</p>																																																											

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult Assessment Team</li> <li>• Mental Health Services Older People Team</li> <li>• Review Team</li> <li>• Case Management Community Team</li> </ul> <p>Managers in Children's Services do not carry caseloads.</p>
W51	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many staff in children and adult services have been re-employed by Cardiff or have performed a service to Cardiff after leaving their employment with Cardiff Council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Since November 2012, 8 former Social Workers have either been re-employed by the Council or performed a service to Cardiff via the Comensura arrangements – 7 within Children's Services and 1 within Health &amp; Social Care.</p>

W52

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOODMAN**

How many schools in Cardiff have not had an electrical installations check within the 5 year period as required by law?

Please provide the names of those schools who are overdue their check.

**Reply**

Although there is no statutory requirement to carry out a standard electrical test, the 5-year timescale is recommended in related guidance. All schools are aware of their need to undertake a maintenance regime for their fixed electrical systems.

The statutory requirement under the Electricity at Work Regulations requires that school governing bodies are responsible for maintaining electrical systems and related testing. Guidance on these Regulations suggests that regular electrical inspections are one way of achieving this goal, but are in themselves not statutory.

For all schools requesting the service through the Council's Facilities Management service (106 schools), there is a renewal programme in place and all orders placed for renewal of fixed electrical testing will be actioned before the end of March 2015, thereby bringing these properties within the recommended timescales. Some schools, specifically the larger schools who opt out of the SLA with Facilities Management, adopt a rolling programme for their fixed electrical testing, spreading the tests and the costs over a 3-year period.

The following schools have placed orders with Facilities Management in order to complete their fixed electrical testing within the recommended 5-year testing cycle by March 2015:

Adamsdown Primary School  
All Saints C.W Primary School  
Bryn Deri Primary School  
Cathays High  
Coryton Primary School  
Creigiau Primary School  
Danescourt Primary School  
Fairwater Primary School  
Gabalfa Primary School  
Gladstone Primary School  
Hawthorn Primary School  
Lakeside Primary School

Lansdowne Primary School  
 Llandaff C.W. Primary School  
 Llanedeyrn Primary School  
 Marlborough Junior School  
 Moorland Primary School  
 Ninian Park Primary School  
 Oakfield Primary School  
 Pentrebane Primary School  
 Pentyrch Primary  
 Pen-Y-Bryn Primary School  
 Peter Lea Primary School  
 Radyr Primary School  
 Roath Park Primary School  
 Springwood Primary School  
 St Alban's R.C Primary School  
 St Cadoc's R.C Primary School  
 St Fagan's C.W Primary School  
 St Francis R/C Primary  
 St Mary's Catholic Primary School  
 St Paul's C.W Primary School  
 St Peters R/C Primary  
 Trelai Primary School  
 Trowbridge Primary School  
 Windsor Clive Primary School  
 Ysgol Coed-Y-Gof  
 Ysgol Y Berllan Deg  
 Ysgol Y Wern  
 Ysgol Glan Morfa

W53

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much was spent on English as a second language in Cardiff during the academic year 2013/14?

**Reply**

The Council does not spend any base budget funding on providing support to pupils for English as an additional language. However, the Council does receive an annual grant from the Welsh Government, the Minority Ethnic Achievement Grant (MEAG), which in 2014/15 is £3.8m. The MEAG is awarded to local authorities to support the education of all pupils from minority ethnic backgrounds, including asylum seekers, in their areas.

The provision of ESOL (English for Speaker of Other Languages) training for adults is the responsibility of Cardiff & Vale College and therefore the Council does not hold this information.

W54	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of youth provision is spent on Welsh medium provision?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I will seek to provide you with this information in writing following this month's Council meeting.</p>
W55	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Has a site been agreed for the fourth Cardiff Welsh medium secondary school?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Recent projections based on the existing housing within Cardiff and patterns of migration suggest that there are sufficient places at entry to the three Welsh-medium secondary schools to meet demand until at least 2020.</p> <p>There are however a number of strategic housing sites proposed for development between 2014 and 2026. Education officers are monitoring the demand for Welsh-medium and English-medium places at primary school age and are working closely with strategic planners to ensure that there are sufficient well located school places to meet the demand from both existing and planned housing.</p> <p>Consideration is being given to the distribution, size and number of secondary schools serving the city, and how best to meet demand beyond 2020.</p>
W56	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Up to now, have there been any discussions with the Vale of Glamorgan Council in relation to a fourth Welsh secondary school?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Officers from the School Organisation Team are regular in contact with colleagues at the Vale in particular with regard to benchmarking new schemes and have visited the new Welsh-medium primary school Ysgol Nant Talwg but there have been no discussions beyond this.</p>

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W57	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many pupils attend the Language Unit for Latecomers (for Welsh) in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>During the 2013/14 academic year, 23 pupils attended the Language Unit for Latecomers and 18 pupils were supported in their Primary Schools. This term, 9 pupils are at the unit and 3 are being supported in their primary school.</p>
W58	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What's the strategy to promote the Language Unit for Latecomers amongst parents, and how are parents are informed of arrangements on gaining access to the Unit?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Pupils can attend the unit once they have enrolled into a Welsh Medium Primary School and have been assessed as requiring this level of additional support by their school.</p>
W59	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What proportion of the education budget is spent on introducing Welsh as an additional language to latecomers compared to the proportion of the budget being spent on English as an additional language?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Language Unit for Latecomers has an annual delegated budget of £120,000. Of an annual Education budget of £229.471m, this represents 0.052% of the total budget.</p>



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W60	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Is it possible to have a general update of Cardiff Council's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Programme and in particular, projects for the Welsh medium sector?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council submitted its revised 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Band A Programme of Projects to the Welsh Government in 2011. This submission reflected the demographics and investment priorities apparent at that time.</p> <p>The programme needs to be updated to take account of demographic trends and developments resulting from the Council's Local Development Plan. It will also take account of advances in procurement and construction, and will have a sharper focus on the need to raise educational standards in Cardiff.</p> <p>Work on the refresh is continuing and a report to Cabinet early in the new year will outline the details prior to submission to the Welsh Government.</p>
W61	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>On the whole, what's the level of investment for repair and upgrading Welsh medium school buildings compared to English medium schools in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Levels of investment for repair and upgrading of schools is not based on language medium but is prioritised on the basis of sufficiency of places, suitability and condition.</p>

W62

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What research has the council done to look at successful model of schools that share leisure/community facilities in Wales and the UK?

**Reply**

The Council will explore where possible, the potential for multi- use buildings delivering a range of services that take account of community needs and maximise the use of Council resources. This has been reflected in the designs of new schools in the city such as Pontprennau Primary School and Eastern High.

Officers have visited a number of community focused primary and secondary school which provide leisure, library, integrated childcare and community centre facilities on site. As part of the review of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Programme, all potential partnership arrangements are being explored and options for joint education/community facilities will be brought forward where appropriate.

**ENVIRONMENT (COUNCILLOR BOB DERBYSHIRE)**

W63	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>How many registered HMO's are in Grangetown?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is no longer a registration scheme for HMO's.</p> <p>There is a mandatory licensing scheme operating across England and Wales for larger HMOs of 3 or more storeys having 5 or more occupiers.</p> <p>There are 9 such licensed HMOs in Grangetown.</p> <p>Our best estimate, based on historical complaints made to the council and census data, would indicate that there are likely to be in excess of 300 HMO's which fall outside of the mandatory licensing regime and over 600 flats in converted houses.</p> <p>These figures must be treated with caution however and in respect of those houses that have been converted to flats since 1991, if they have complied with Building Regulation standards they would not be legally classified as HMO's.</p>
W64	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>How many enforcement fines have been issued in Grangetown?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Since April 2014, 15 fines have been issued in Grangetown for waste offences.</p> <p>There have also been 176 abandoned trolleys statutory charges issued in Grangetown since April 2014 to mid November.</p> <p>In addition the enforcement team have also undertaken 990 actions relating to education and enforcement activity or interventions within Grangetown this financial year.</p>
W65	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many staff were employed to clean the street at the county in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and from 05/11/14?</p>

**Reply**

The number of front line staff employed in the Street Cleansing Service at the start of the periods 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and from 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 were as follows:

Year	No of Front Line Staff Employed
2008/09	168
2009/10	172
2010/11	183
2011/12	174
2012/13	165
2013/14	170
From 5 11 14	142

W66

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many weighbridges does the Council have?

**Reply**

The Council has five weighbridges, two (one in bridge and one out bridge) at the Waste Management Lamby Way Depot in Rumney, two (one in bridge and one out bridge) at the Bessemer Commercial Waste Transfer facility in Leckwith and one in/out bridge at the Highways Brindley Road facility in Leckwith.

W67

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

When was the last weighbridge purchased and what did it cost?

**Reply**

The last pair of weighbridges (one in bridge and one out bridge) were purchased and installed for the Bessemer Commercial Facility in March 2014 at a cost of £39,995 including 12 months maintenance.

W68

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What's the largest amount of materials that could reasonably be processed by a weighbridge in a year?

**Reply**

The largest amount of waste on any one load for the legal road limit is 44tonnes. Therefore if you operated for 24 hours a day with a constant flow of traffic for 5 days per week, the weighbridge, or a pair of weigh bridges, can process up to 3million tonnes per year at the max 44T payloads of an articulated lorry, this of course depends upon how long vehicles are on site, turn around times, type and weight of each vehicle load, and flow of multiple loads each day, each year. The maximum scenario is highly unlikely.

W69

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many tonnes can be processed by weighbridges in Cardiff?

**Reply**

I refer you to Question 10, the maximum a weigh bridge can process is around 3 million tonnes, technically at the x3 locations 9 million tonnes at optimum and constant operation. Cardiff weighbridges can only weigh the waste presented to them, capacity and actual deliveries are not the same and vary dramatically.

W70

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What are the annual figures for recycling, since creating Cardiff Unitary Authority up to 2014?

**Reply**

Here are the annual recycling performance figures since 2001, this is when the recycling performance was first recorded and reported to Welsh Government. Unitary Authority was formed in 1996, official records for recycling performance were not held before this time.

	Total
2001/2	4%
2002/3	7%
2003/4	14%
2004/5	11%
2005/6	12%
2006/7	20%
2007/8	27%
2008/9	35%
2009/10	39%
2010/11	42%

2011/12	50%
2012/13	52%
2013/14	50%

W71

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many people are on the waiting list for allotments in Cardiff, identifying every allotment?

**Reply**

There are currently 829 individuals on the waiting list for an allotment plot. The breakdown on a site by site basis is listed below :

Name of Allotment Site	No. of requests
ALLENSBANK ALLOTMENTS	61
BIRCHGROVE ALLOTMENTS	25
COLCHESTER AVENUE ALLOTMENTS	54
COLLEGE FARM ALLOTMENTS	20
COWBRIDGE ROAD ALLOTMENTS	27
ELGAR CRESCENT ALLOTMENTS	23
ELY GREAT FARM ALLOTMENTS	54
FAIRWATER ALLOTMENTS	44
FLAXLAND AVENUE ALLOTMENTS	26
FOREST FARM ALLOTMENTS	71
GREENWAY ROAD ALLOTMENTS	36
HEOL CHAPPELL ALLOTMENTS	23
HIGHFIELDS ALLOTMENTS	25
LADY MARY ALLOTMENTS	42
LECKWITH-DROVES ALLOTMENTS	38
LLANDAFF FIELDS ALLOTMENTS	93
LLANDAFF NORTH ALLOTMENTS	46
LLANISHEN ALLOTMENTS	43
LON Y DERI ALLOTMENTS	34
LYNTON TERRACE ALLOTMENTS	5
PENGAM PAVILION ALLOTMENTS	24
PENGAM PERMANENT ALLOTMENTS	50
PONTCANNA A ALLOTMENTS	79
PONTCANNA CHALET GARDENS	16
PONTCANNA PERMANENT ALLOTMENTS	75
PORTHAMAL ROAD ALLOTMENTS	24
RHYDYPENAU ALLOTMENTS	47
SOUTH RISE ALLOTMENTS	20

<b>Total Waiting List Requests:</b>	<b>1140</b>
<b>Total Persons on List:</b>	<b>829</b>

It should be noted that the information above is accurate on the date that the list is generated, the number of individuals on the waiting list will fluctuate during the course of the allotment year.

The Council has recently bought back into use a large area of land at the Pengam Permanent site, the area in question will provide an approximate 100 plots of varying sizes. In addition to these areas I anticipate up to a further 100 plots being bought back into use as part of a winter work programme, which is being undertaken in conjunction with site associations. With regard to the medium - long term I can confirm that allotment provision is now specifically referred to in supplementary guidance and this will enable the Council to make further provision / over time and during the life of the LDP.

W72

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many mechanical sweepers does Cardiff have as of 05-11-14?

**Reply**

As of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014, Cardiff Council had the following number of front line mechanical sweepers:

- Large Mechanical Sweepers – 3
- Medium Mechanical Sweepers – 1
- Small Mechanical Sweepers – 12

These vehicles are all deployed by the Street Cleansing Service with the exception of one small mechanical sweeper which is deployed by the Parks Service.

W73

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many mechanical sweepers did Cardiff have as of 05-11-13, 05-11-12 and 05-11-11?

**Reply**

As of 5<sup>th</sup> November of 2011, 2012 and 2013, Cardiff Council had the following number of front line mechanical sweepers:

Sweeper Size	5 11 11	5 11 12	5 11 13
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Large	3	3	3
Medium	1	1	1
Small	16	16	12

These vehicles were all deployed by the Street Cleansing Service with the exception of one small mechanical sweeper which was deployed by the Parks Service.

W74

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What was the budget allocated for street cleaning in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013?

**Reply**

The budgets allocated for street cleaning in 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 were as follows:

Year	Budget (£)
2008/09	7,621,349
2009/10	7,959,595
2010/11	7,242,604
2011/12	6,799,970
2012/13	7,522,130
2013/14	6,926,854

W75

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much was spent on renovating the Hayes toilets during the 2008-12 administration?

**Reply**

In the period 2009/10, approximately £148,000 was spent of refurbishing the Hayes Public Conveniences. The budget for this work was secured externally through the Landfill Community Fund.

W76

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

Was an Equality Impact Assessment carried before changes to the street cleansing norms?

**Reply**



	<p>The new operating model for street cleansing, as identified in the Cardiff Outdoors Project – Street Cleansing report approved by Cabinet on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013, was implemented early in 2014. It is confirmed that an Equality Impact Assessment relating to the changes was carried out ahead of the changes being implemented.</p> <p>This can be found on the Cardiff Improvement System (CIS).</p>
W77	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>When did Cardiff Council stop collecting leaves fallen from trees onto the highway?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council hasn't stopped collecting leaves from the adopted highway. It has implemented a three pronged approach for tackling leaf fall located on the adopted highway, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the continuation of the tidal parking scheme which now operates throughout most of the year;</li> <li>2. the undertaking leaf fall 'blitzing' work in the main leaf fall areas during the period when the significant leaf fall occurs (i.e. October to December), and</li> <li>3. the deployment of resources to 'hotspot' areas which are at risk from local surface flooding as a result of leaves blocking highway gully gratings ahead of and during severe rainfall events.</li> </ol> <p>Residents wishing to report any significant accumulation of leaves on the adopted highway should do so via Connect to Cardiff.</p>
W78	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the distance by road between the former Waungron Road Recycling Centre and Wedal Road Recycling Centre?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The distance by road between the former Waungron Road Household Waste Recycling Centre and the Wedal Road Household Waste Recycling Centre is 2.7 miles.</p>
W79	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p>

	<p>What is the distance by road between the former Waungron Road Recycling Centre and the recycling centre at Bessemer Road?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The distance by road between the former Waungron Road Recycling Centre and the Bessemer Road Recycling Centre is 2.6 miles.</p>
W80	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What do the “water quality poor” signs mean in Cardiff Bay and what kind of pollution is present in the water at these times?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The “Poor” water quality signage displayed in Cardiff Bay refers to a calculated prediction of bacterial content within the water. This prediction is made on a daily basis by Cardiff Harbour Authority staff using a statistical model. “Poor” is the description that the model produces when calculations predict the bay water to have a bacterial content which fails limits derived from European bathing water standards.</p> <p>A “Good” or “Excellent” categorisation displayed on signage indicates that the bacteria levels in the water comply with water standards.</p> <p>It should be noted that Cardiff Bay is not designated bathing water however the Cardiff Harbour Authority, with advice from Public Health Wales, has exercised its duty of care and used bathing water standards to <u>advise</u> the public, bay users and stakeholders on the condition / quality of the water in terms of bacterial levels.</p> <p>“Pollution” therefore refers to bacterial levels only and not chemical or other forms of pollution.</p>

**HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING (COUNCILLOR SUSAN ELSMORE)**

W81

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many homeless people live in Cardiff and how many are registered as homeless?

**Reply**

It is very difficult to provide an exact figure because the numbers are very fluid, the population can be very transitory and does not take into account 'hidden' homelessness (e.g. sofa surfing). We can, however, provide the following snapshot:

On the night of November 24, there were 595 homeless households temporarily accommodated by the City of Cardiff Council under its statutory homelessness duty. On the same night, a further 235 single homeless people not in priority need were accommodated in emergency overnight, or traditional hostel, accommodation in Cardiff.

In addition to this on any night there will be a number of people sleeping rough. Cardiff undertook a count of people sleeping rough on Wednesday 29th October as part of the Welsh Government's National Rough Sleeping Count. The identified number was 26. A fluctuation around this figure is consistent with our continuous monitoring, which saw an increase following the changes to Housing Benefit entitlement for EEA Nationals.

W82

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How much is council rent for 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom properties?

**Reply**

The average rent for properties, based on 52 weeks is:

1 Bed	=	£75.20
2 Bed	=	£86.89
3 Bed	=	£100.39
4 Bed	=	£112.09

W83	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Which housing associations work with Cardiff Council as partner organisations in the City?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council works very closely with seven main Housing Associations both on a strategic and operational level. These Housing Associations are:</p> <p>Cardiff Community Housing Association  Linc Cymru Housing Association  United Welsh Housing Association  Cadwyn Housing Association  Hafod Housing Association  Wales and West Housing Association  Taff Housing Association</p> <p>There are other Housing Associations in Cardiff and the Council works with all of them on relevant issues.</p>
W84	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Why did it take 7 months to repair the asbestos floor at Clos y Nant in one of the flats?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The initial order was raised on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2014 to renew floor tiles containing asbestos cement which is an extremely low risk form of asbestos. This order was issued to Ian Williams Ltd who were unable to gain access to the property after several attempts so the work was eventually cancelled on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2014. A second order was raised on 22<sup>nd</sup> August after the tenant made contact and the work was completed on 11<sup>th</sup> September.</p>
W85	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many repairs have been carried out to Clos y Nant's roof over the last 4 years?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There have been 4 minor roof repairs over the last four years. Given that this is a complex roof with a combination of multiple flat and pitched roof elevations, this level of repairs is not seen as indicating a</p>

	<p>major problem. Community Maintenance Service are regularly reviewing repairs data to inform programmes of improvement, should the level of repair work indicate that further work is needed this will be included in a future planned maintenance scheme.</p>
W86	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Will the Council take steps to kill and remove the knotweed?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I can confirm that an officer from the Communities, Housing &amp; Customer Services Directorate will visit Clos-y-Nant to determine where the knotweed is located and liaise with the Parks Service to arrange treatment as necessary. Historically knotweed in this location has been present along the stream bed, although we are aware that clusters have grown into the rear garden of the complex. Treatment can be dependant on the season and, once a visit has taken place and the relevant officer within the Parks Service has assessed the knotweed found, Ward Councillors will be updated further.</p>
W87	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the rota for cutting the lawns at Clos y Nant?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Parks team are responsible for the grass cutting at Clos Y Nant and this is undertaken between 6/8 times a year from the end of March to the end of October.</p>
W88	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What action will be taken to make sure that the gutters and overflow at Clos y Nant can cope with rain?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is an issue at the Clos Y Nant complex with leaves blocking gutters and roof drains. Community Maintenance Service attends as required when this happens. The Service is currently considering undertaking preventative maintenance on buildings such as these which are in a particular leafy area and where trees are close to the building; however, given the continuous loss of leaves during the autumn period it is unlikely that this maintenance programme will completely eradicate this issue.</p>

W89

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

For how many days was the lift at Clos y Nant out of action?

**Reply**

The lift was out of action for 7 days after a roof leak when water got onto a major electrical part. The roof leak needed to be completed prior to the replacement of this part otherwise any water would have affected the electrical parts again. A review is currently being undertaken looking at all of the lifts in blocks throughout the city; once this review is complete a programme for upgrading the lifts will be developed and implemented.

**LEADER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS (COUNCILLOR PHIL BALE)**

W90	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What's the protocol for officers who are submitting a policy to the public, considering that it would give a misleading impression of a party's politics?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In order to answer your question, more specific information is required as to what you are referring to.</p>
W91	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Some former active Councillors during 2008-12 were under the impression that Cardiff staff would be treated with linguistic equality with the intranet becoming bilingual, are there any plans to do that?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>It was agreed that a phased approach to the intranet becoming bilingual would be adopted given the time and resources that this would require.</p> <p>The Welsh Government is currently consulting on a set of new Welsh language standards under the Welsh language (Wales) Measure 2011. Under the Welsh language standards, standards 118 to 124 relate to a '<i>body's information technology and about support material provided by a body, and in relation to the intranet</i>'.</p> <p>We are expecting to be issued with a compliance notice in summer 2015 when we will know which standards directly apply to the City of Cardiff Council.</p> <p>Many internal communications channels and documents for employees are already available bilingually and we will continue to ensure that staff have the option of receiving information in English or Welsh until the standards are adopted.</p> <p>Once the Council has received the compliance notice its statutory obligation in terms of the intranet becoming bilingual will become clearer.</p>

W92	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What percentage of staff speak Welsh?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As at 24<sup>th</sup> November 2014, records held on the Council's DigiGov HR system show that 4,682 employees have validated their personal details to confirm their individual language proficiency. Of these, 220 employees have indicated that they are Welsh speaking, which equates to 4.7%.</p> <p>Most of these entries on DigiGov have been made by employees who are PC users; therefore, these figures do not include a large proportion of non-office based staff.</p>
W93	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What was the total expenditure on Welsh language training for councillors in 2013?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In the 2013 calendar year, the expenditure was nil.</p>
W94	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What work is the council doing to promote Welsh as an additional language among ethnic minority communities, in accordance with the recommendations of a recent report commissioned by the Welsh Government?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council's Ethnic Minority Service works across the city in all schools, both English and Welsh medium, and we receive an annual grant from the Welsh Government (Minority Ethnic Achievement Grant), which in 2014/15 amounts to £3.8m.</p> <p>The grant reimburses local authorities for expenditure on educational services in support of children and young people from minority ethnic backgrounds who are learning English or Welsh as an additional language.</p> <p>Any activities undertaken by the Council to promote Welsh as an</p>



	<p>additional language, either within the Council or across the city more widely, would not focus solely on Black and Minority Ethnic communities, but all communities in Cardiff.</p>
W95	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many complaints did Cardiff Council receive about the deputy Lord Mayor on his comments on Israel?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>25</p>
W96	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What car parks in the city were the properties of Cardiff County Council and / or Cardiff City Council, and how much was each one sold for?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>David Street, Bridge Street and Tredegar Street = £1.25 million on 12th January 1989.</p> <p>Wood Street = £1.5 million on 12th January 1989.</p> <p>Westgate Street = £2.29 million on 31st March 1989.</p>
W97	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much were each of the former Cardiff Council car parks sold for?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>David Street, Bridge Street and Tredegar Street = £1.25 million on 12th January 1989.</p> <p>Wood Street = £1.5 million on 12th January 1989.</p> <p>Westgate Street = £2.29 million on 31st March 1989.</p>

W98	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the total the Council pays or will pay to procure Wood Street car park?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>This information is current commercially sensitive and is therefore confidential.</p>
W99	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the length of the Fairwater Rugby Club lease held by Cardiff Council?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Council doesn't have a direct leasehold contractual relationship with Fairwater RFC, but the property most recently occupied by the Club is let to S.A. Brain &amp; Co. Ltd. on a 99-year ground lease, which commenced on 25<sup>th</sup> March 1964.</p>
W100	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Are there any plans to extend, sell or alter the lease of Fairwater Rugby Club?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>No; none at present.</p>

**SAFETY, ENGAGEMENT AND DEMOCRACY (COUNCILLOR DAN DE'ATH)**

W101	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>How many reports of fly-tipping have been recorded during 2014 from Grangetown?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>To date in 2014, there have been 288 incidents of reported flytipping;</p> <p>Please note this can include one item that has been reported by more than one individual, plus can range from a few dumped bags, single item or van load of material.</p> <p>To put this into context, the enforcement team have also undertaken 990 actions relating to education and enforcement activity actions or interventions within Grangetown.</p>
W102	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What's the total budget for the cold call management project?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is no revenue budget specifically allocated to this project. It has been grant funded by the Welsh Government and from our Neighbourhood management Schemes.</p>

**TRANSPORT, PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY (COUNCILLOR RAMESH PATEL)**

W103	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES</u></b></p> <p>Foreign nationals may only use a foreign-registered car in the UK for a maximum of six months in a year – yet Cardiff Council grants such vehicles twelve-month resident parking permits. Why is this, and by doing so are we not contributing towards confusion and potentially encouraging someone to break the law?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I understand that a foreign car can be kept in this country indefinitely but after 6 months it must be registered and insured in this country as opposed to operating under foreign arrangements. Also, if the owner takes the car away, to return home on holiday for example, and returns later, then the 6 month period commences afresh.</p> <p>In either case, the resident could quite genuinely be intending to remain here for 12 months and so the 12 month resident permit would be appropriate.</p>
W104	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES</u></b></p> <p>Under the terms of a Cardiff Council visitor permit, motorists cannot use their visitor permit to park in a resident-only bay for more than two hours at a time. How many fines have been issued for that specific offence in the last six months?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is no 2 hour rule that you mention within the resident parking permit scheme, as of course a person might wish to stay all day when visiting, and therefore no penalties have been issued for this. The face of the visitor permit does not indicate any time limit applying, only its end of year expiry date.</p>
W105	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOVIER</u></b></p> <p>How many parking notices have been issued during 2014 in Grangetown?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>A total of 1,389 penalty charges have been issued so far in Grangetown this year.</p>

W106	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Can the Council give a definition of ‘Affordable Homes’, in relation to what monthly rent or mortgage repayments could be defined as affordable?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is no set monthly rent or mortgage repayment that would be defined as affordable.</p> <p>Affordable Housing is related to the provision of accommodation which is owned and or managed by either the Council or a Registered Social Landlord (Housing Association) where the rents are regulated by Welsh Government.</p>
W107	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What will be the process for the remainder of the LDP?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The independent Inspector’s will assess the soundness of the LDP through the examination process which includes Hearing Sessions early in the New Year.</p> <p>After the Examination has closed, the Inspectors will submit their report with binding recommendations to the Council who will then formally adopt the Plan.</p>
W108	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What streets in Fairwater were sprayed with weed killer during 2012, 2013 and up to now in 2014?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>All adopted streets in the Fairwater ward received treatment in 2012, 2013 and 2014.</p>
W109	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many SSSIs are in Cardiff and where are they?</p>

**Reply**

There are 17 SSSIs in Cardiff, which can be found at the following locations:

- Argloddiau Cronfeyedd Dwr Llanisien A Llys-Faen / Llanishen and Lisvane Reservoir Embankments
- Caeau Blaen-Bielly
- Castell Coch Woodlands and Road Section
- Coed y Bedw
- Cwarrau Ton Mawr a Ffynnon Taf – Ton Mawr and Taffs Well Quarries
- Ely Valley
- Fforestganol a Chwm Nofydd
- Flat Holm
- Garth Wood
- Glamorgan Canal / Long Wood
- Gwent Levels - Rumney And Peterstone
- Lisvane Reservoir
- Penylan Quarry
- Rhymney River Section
- Rumney Quarry
- Severn Estuary
- Ty Du Moor

W110

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What is the definition of affordable homes?

**Reply**

The definition of affordable housing is set out in the Welsh Government's Technical Advice Note (TAN) 2: Planning And Affordable Housing (2006) as follows:

**5.1** The definition of 'affordable housing' for the purpose of the land use planning system as described in this Technical Advice Note is housing where there are secure mechanisms in place to ensure that it is accessible to those who cannot afford market housing, both on first occupation and for subsequent occupiers. However, it is recognised that some schemes may provide for staircasing to full ownership and where this is the case there must be secure arrangements in place to ensure the recycling of capital receipts to provide replacement affordable housing.

	<p>Affordable housing includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social rented housing;</li> <li>• Intermediate housing.</li> </ul> <p><b>5.2</b> Social rented housing is that provided by local authorities and registered social landlords. Intermediate housing is that where prices or rents are above those of social rent but below market housing prices or rents.</p> <p><b>5.3</b> All other types of housing are referred to as “market housing” - that is private housing for sale or rent where the price is set in the open market and their occupation is not subject to control by the local planning authority.</p>
W111	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much section 105 money does Cardiff keep in savings?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>
W112	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much section 105 money is available in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I refer you to my previous answer.</p>
W113	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What was the carbon reduction figure as a percentage by Cardiff Council from figures available between 1999-2014, noting these annually?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The Department for Energy and Climate Change publishes figures for total carbon emission by local authority area. This reporting started in 2005 and the latest published figures relate to 2011(DECC publishes these statistics 3 years in arrears to allow for accurate reporting). The latest data shows a city wide carbon reduction of 25% (or 30% per head of population) between 2005 and 2011. The table below gives details.</p>

<b>DECC Carbon Reduction Data – Whole City</b>			
Year	Estimated Population ('000s)	All Sectors	
		Absolute t CO <sub>2</sub>	Per Capita t CO <sub>2</sub>
<b>2005</b>	321	2,657	8.3
<b>2006</b>	324	2,432	7.5
<b>2007</b>	328	2,389	7.3
<b>2008</b>	332	2,389	7.0
<b>2009</b>	338	2,200	6.5
<b>2010</b>	341	2,258	6.6
<b>2011</b>	345	1,986	5.8
<b>%change 05-11</b>		-25%	-30%

The Council has also monitored carbon emissions from its own activities since 2010 as part of the Green Dragon Environmental management system (level 3 requirements). This shows that there has been an overall reduction of 7% between 2010 and 2014. This figure includes a slight increase in emission during the 2012/13 period which was due to the particularly cold winter in that year.

Details are tabulated below:

Source	CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (Tonnes 2010/11)	CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (Tonnes 2011/12)	CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (Tonnes 2012/13)
Building/Machinery /Street lighting	35,342	32,934	33,951
Transport	5,999	5,858	5,938
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,341</b>	<b>38,972</b>	<b>39,889</b>
<b>%change</b>	-	<b>-6%</b>	<b>+2%</b>

In addition to the above reduction, the Council has also reduced emissions resulting from municipal waste and landfill activities from 15,900 tonnes per year in 2009 to 10,266 tonnes per year in 2013, a reduction of 35%. The graph below gives further details.

W114

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

Has Cardiff ever had a Local Development Plan?

**Reply**

No. Due to the previous administration having to withdraw the previous plan due to the significant concerns raised by the Inspectors, Cardiff has never had an adopted plan.

W115

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**



Did Cardiff have an approved Unitary Development Scheme?

**Reply**

No.

W116

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What reason was given for replacing the Unitary Development Scheme?

**Reply**

Insufficient time to complete the Unitary Development Plan (UDP) preparation process ahead of new Regulations relating to Strategic Environmental Assessment.

W117

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What Inspectors have been appointed to audit Cardiff's Local Development Plan?

**Reply**

Mrs Rebecca Phillips and Mr Richard Jenkins.

W118

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What was the increase in the Cardiff population in every census since 1970?

**Reply**

The figures below are taken from the Cardiff LDP, Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Figure 1, page 6:

Census Year	Population	Increase in Population
1971	279,552	-
1981	286,800	7,248

1991	296,900	10,100
2001	310,100	13,200
2011	345,442	35,342

Source: Office for National Statistics

Note:

Data from 1981 onwards are Mid Year Estimates and relate to the current Unitary Authority area, but previous data relates to Cardiff's boundary on the particular Census date.

W119

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What was the net migration to Cardiff from the date of every census since 1980?

**Reply**

The figures below are taken from the Cardiff LDP, Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Table 2, page 10:

<b>Period</b>	<b>Implied Migration*</b>
1981-1991	400
1991-2001	3,600
2001-2011	21,600

Source: Derived from ONS Statistics

\*Including any 'Other Changes' by ONS

(Note: ONS has indicated that of the net migration and other changes 2001-11, 487 persons per annum are 'unattributable' and may relate to errors in Census results or errors in other (migration) data).

W120

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What was the net migration to Cardiff between 1970-2013, giving as many specific annual figures as possible?

**Reply**

Data only held for 1981-2011. The figures below are taken from the Cardiff LDP, Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Table 2, page 10:

Year	Implied Migration*
1981	-1,300
1982	-500
1983	1,000
1984	-2,900
1985	-300
1986	800
1987	1,300
1988	-100
1989	1,200
1990	1,200
1991	-800
1992	500
1993	-1,100
1994	600
1995	3,600
1996	1,100
1997	300
1998	900
1999	500
2000	-2,100
2001	1,300
2002	600
2003	3,000
2004	2,900
2005	1,300
2006	2,800
2007	2,800
2008	3,000
2009	1,800
2010	1,900
2011	800
<b>1981-2011</b>	<b>26,100</b>

Source: Derived from ONS Statistics

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(Note: ONS has indicated that of the net migration and other changes 2001-11, 487 persons per annum are 'unattributable' and may relate to errors in Census results or errors in other (migration) data.)

W121

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What is Cardiff Council's estimate for annual migration projections between 2014-2030? Note per year if possible.

**Reply**

The figures below are taken from the Cardiff LDP, Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Appendix 4:

LDP Net Migration 2011-26 = 1,268 per annum.  
There are no Council projections beyond 2026.

Source: Edge Analytics Limited (Option G), June 2013.

W122

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many houses have been built in Cardiff every year since 1970? (give annual figures which exist if not completely comprehensive)

**Reply**

Data is not held for years prior to 1996. Figures for 1996-2014 are set out below and are taken from the Cardiff LDP, Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Appendix 2:

<b>Completions by Dwelling Type (Units)</b>			
<b>Year Ending March</b>	<b>Flats</b>	<b>Houses</b>	<b>Total</b>
1996	240	621	861
1997	317	1,068	1,385
1998	203	946	1,149
1999	283	1,016	1,299
2000	409	860	1,269
2001	445	522	967
2002	710	696	1,406
2003	912	755	1,667
2004	1,033	880	1,913
2005	1,571	638	2,209
2006	1452	409	1,861
2007	1,641	727	2,368
2008	1,310	718	2,028
2009	1,067	450	1,517
2010	624	243	867
2011	729	230	959
2012	326	234	560
2013	262	212	474
2014	639	206	845

<b>2005-14 (10 yrs)</b>	<b>9,621</b>	<b>4,067</b>	<b>13,688</b>
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Source: Cardiff County Council – Housing Monitoring Records

W123

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many flats have been built in Cardiff every year since 1970? (give annual figures which exist if not completely comprehensive).

**Reply**

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2008	1,310	718	2,028
2009	1,067	450	1,517
2010	624	243	867
2011	729	230	959
2012	326	234	560
2013	262	212	474
2014	639	206	845
<b>2005-14 (10 yrs)</b>	<b>9,621</b>	<b>4,067</b>	<b>13,688</b>

Source: Cardiff County Council – Housing Monitoring Records

W124

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many 1 floor bungalows have been built every year in Cardiff

since 1970? (Give annual figures which exist if they not completely comprehensive).

**Reply**

No data exists as bungalows are counted as houses in annual monitoring surveys.

W125

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How many homes have been built every year in Cardiff since 1970? (Give annual figures which exist if they not completely comprehensive).

What was the average total of homes built every year in Cardiff over the period 1990- 2000, 2000-2010?

**Reply**

Data is not held for years prior to 1981/82.

Between 1981/82 and 2013/14, approximately 44,017 homes were been built in Cardiff as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Completions</b>
81/82	1,292
82/83	1,021
83/84	1,146
84/85	1,549
85/86	1,332
86/87	1,455
87/88	1,796
88/89	2,089
89/90	1,498
90/91	942
91/92	864
92/93	1,194
93/94	1,139
94/95	1,096
95/96	861
96/97	1,385
97/98	1,149
98/99	1,299
99/00	1,269
00/01	967

01/02	1,406
02/03	1,667
03/04	1,913
04/05	2,209
05/06	1,861
06/07	2,368
07/08	2,028
08/09	1,517
09/10	867
10/11	959
11/12	560
12/13	474
13/14	845

Source: Cardiff County Council, Housing Monitoring Records.

Figures taken from Background Technical Paper No.1: Population and Housing (Updated May 2014), Appendix 1, page 23.

Based on these figures, the average total of homes built every year in Cardiff over the periods 1990-2000 and 2000-2010 are as follows:

- 1990-2000 = 1,120 units average
- 2000-2010 = 1,680 units average

W126

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

What is the daily assessed traffic capacity for Llantrisant Road 7am until 9am?

**Reply**

The capacity along the A4119 Llantrisant Road varies significantly by location depending on geometry, junction control, local factors, time of year and driver behaviour. There are sections of the route that are known to operate at capacity during peak periods where significant queuing occurs. In particular, the eastbound approach to the junction of Bridge Road/Cardiff Road during much of the AM peak, experiences a slow moving queues which regularly extends back as far as and even beyond the roundabout of Tangmere Drive/Danescourt Way.

Other factors affecting capacity along a route as discussed in the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB 5.1.3.), are – traffic conditions, number of lanes, road width, road gradients, the proportion of heavy vehicles, speed limit, the degree of parking and

loading, bus stops, pedestrian crossings, the frequency of junctions and side roads, and the level of access to roadside development.

W127

**WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

Has the Council assessed or commissioned an assessment of the health impact of deteriorating air quality associated with its LDP proposals along Llandaf Road?

**Reply**

The Local Development Plan is a key policy document of the Council and a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) was undertaken during the preparation of the Preferred Strategy. This ensures that health issues are taken into account throughout the plan process. The HIA is an iterative process.

The (HIA) self appraisal was undertaken by a Group of Officers from service areas across the Council including planning, transportation, housing, sustainable development, community partnerships together with a representative from the Cardiff & Vale University Health Board. This document is published on the LDP pages of the Council's website.

The issue of health impact of the LDP was addressed in the HIA in the Air Quality and Neighbourhood Amenity section as follows:

The LDP Preferred Strategy aims to minimise air pollution and manage air quality through segregating polluting and noisy industrial uses of land; promoting less polluting forms of public transport, deterring car use and by supporting the development of energy efficient buildings and neighbourhoods.

Key risks were identified as follows:

- Risk of increased traffic due to ineffective linkages.
- Risk that strategic sites will impact on air quality.

As part of the LDP consultation process, information on hotspots of poor air quality in the city were considered and this included the likely exceedance of the health based standard for Nitrogen Dioxide from traffic emissions in Llandaf Road. No specific health impact assessment on air quality and health has been commissioned by the Council.

There are, however, air quality assessments included within planning applications for some of the developments feeding this corridor, the



	<p>information from which is available to view online via the Planning Register.</p> <p>Whilst there is a strong body of evidence linking air pollution exposure with adverse health outcomes on a national basis, epidemiological evidence of the health effects from localised pockets of poor air quality is not available.</p> <p>The Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in 2012/3 recognised that a better understanding of the burden of disease from air pollution exposure at the local level, and reasons for its variation, is needed in Wales. Research by Public Health Wales to answer this call from the CMO is currently being undertaken by Public Health Wales. Whilst not Cardiff specific, it will include all areas of Cardiff and involve analyses of variability in local air pollution concentrations and relevant health outcome rates.</p>
W128	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>If the LDP projected building on the green field sites in the West of the City, how many extra car journeys will take place every day along Llantrisant Road, Llandaf Road, Pwllmelin Road, St Fagans Road, Cowbridge Road East and Western Avenue?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>It is the Council's intention that through a combination of increased travel by sustainable alternatives to private car (in-line with the 50:50 modal split), and by minimising the need to travel through promoting sustainable communities that traffic impacts will be minimised</p>
W129	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many extra car journeys in Cardiff West will be caused by the completion of Rhondda Cynon Taf's LDP projected dwelling building plans?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>We have no specific details with regards the resulting impact of development traffic from the surrounding authorities upon Cardiff's network has not been forthcoming. It is the Council's intention that through a combination of increased travel by sustainable alternatives to private car (in-line with the 50:50 modal split), and by minimising the need to travel through promoting sustainable communities that traffic impacts will be minimised</p>

W130	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many extra car journeys in Cardiff will be caused by the completion of Rhondda Caerffili's LDP?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>There is no such LDP</p>
W131	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many extra tonnes of human waste will be generated by Cardiff's LDP?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The LDP is a strategic document which has been prepared in close liaison with relevant statutory undertakers including Welsh Water. Necessary supporting infrastructure will be provided alongside the development of new communities including sewage facilities.</p>
W132	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many extra gallons of water will enter Cardiff's sewer system as a result of Cardiff's LDP?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The LDP will include extensive developments on both greenfield and brownfield sites across the City. From these new developments the foul and surface water flows will be separated and the destination of these flows will be dependent on the approved design criteria.</p> <p>In terms of the surface water run-off, greenfield developments shall be designed to ensure that the existing run-off flows from un-engineered sites are not increased. This is managed through a series of flow control mechanisms and significant attenuation features, effectively storing storm water from extreme events within engineered green spaces protecting watercourses from increased surges in flow from these sites. Where the soil conditions allow, soakaway systems shall also be designed and constructed.</p> <p>Surface water from brownfield sites can be managed through a similar system of soakaways (where viable) and attenuation systems,</p>

	<p>in order to ensure that any existing flows are not increased in intensity. If it is feasible to reduce existing flows from brownfield sites using sustainable drainage (SUDS), then this is always the preferred option.</p>
W133	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Does the Council have any plans to build any extra bridges across the Ely, Taf and Rumney Rivers?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The following additional river bridges have been proposed –</p> <p><b>Ely Mill – Ely Pedestrian/Cyclist Bridge:</b></p> <p>The Section 106 legal agreement related to the outline planning consent for the former Ely Mill housing site requires the developer to construct a bridge for pedestrians and cyclists connecting the development site and the settlement on the west side of the River Ely. The Section 106 legal agreement requires the bridge to be completed within 2 years from the completion of Phase 2 of the development, or if later, 6 years from the date of the commencement of development.</p> <p><b>Route 6 – Ely Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge:</b></p> <p>The Council is currently investigating the feasibility of constructing a bridge for pedestrians and cyclists on the downstream side of the existing River Ely road bridge on Cowbridge Road West. The bridge would enable pedestrians and cyclists to avoid this very busy section of Cowbridge Road West and the existing narrow footway on the road bridge. The bridge would form part of Cardiff Strategic Cycle Network (Enfys) Route 6. Any draft proposals will be subject to public consultation.</p> <p><b>St. Edeyrns – Rumney Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge:</b></p> <p>Condition 30 of Planning Permission ref 13/00578/DCO for 1,020 homes on land to the east of the Pentwyn Link Road requires the provision of a proposed new bridge across the River Rumney to provide acceptable access for pedestrians and cyclists between the site and Old St Mellons, together with a programme for its construction for approval in writing by the Authority.</p>
W134	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p>

	<p>Have there been any accidents involving pedestrians along Michaelston Road from the level crossing to the traffic lights over the last 8 years?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I would confirm that there have been no recorded injury related incidents over an 8 year period involving pedestrians.</p>
W135	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the definition of sustainable development Cardiff is working to in relation to Cardiff's LDP?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>The LDP sets out objectives under 4 main headings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To respond to evidenced economic needs and provide the necessary infrastructure to deliver development;</li> <li>2. To respond to evidenced social needs;</li> <li>3. To deliver economic and social needs in a co-ordinated way that respects and enhances Cardiff's environment; and</li> <li>4. To create sustainable neighbourhoods that form part of a sustainable city</li> </ol>

**QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF LICENSING COMMITTEE (COUNCILLOR JACKIE PARRY)**

W136	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many licensed sites are there in Cardiff?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>In order to answer this question, more specific information is required as to what licenses you are referring to.</p>
W137	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>If a supermarket were to open at the Fairwater Rugby Club site, would an alcohol license be needed for alcohol to be taken out by consumers?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I understand that you have already been provided with an answer in response to a previous enquiry to officers earlier this month. The sale of alcohol is a licensable activity that would require a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 and any significant change in the use/plan of the premises is likely to require a brand new Premises Licence.</p>

**QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF PLANNING COMMITTEE (COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MICHAEL)**

W138	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How many planning applications have been submitted every year since the creation of the Cardiff Unitary Authority?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>On the basis that the Council receives circa 2,500 planning applications per annum, it has received circa 48,000 planning applications since its creation in April 1996.</p>
W139	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>If a supermarket were to open at the Fairwater Rugby Club site, would planning permission be needed?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>Yes, a supermarket falls within Use Class A1 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987, whereas Fairwater Rugby Club falls within Use Class D2(e).</p>
W140	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Will planning permission have to be applied for to convert Fairwater Rugby Club to a supermarket?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>I refer you to the previous answer provided to, what is essentially, the same question.</p>

**QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE**  
**(COUNCILLOR JACKIE PARRY)**

W141	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Where in Cardiff has the quality of air been assessed not to be good?</p> <p><b><u>Reply</u></b></p> <p>As part of our statutory duty to monitor Local Air Quality within the city, the Council has an obligation under the Environment Act 1995 to review and assess air quality in its area against National Air Quality Standards which have been set for the protection of human health.</p> <p>Where monitoring indicates local areas of poor air quality which fail to meet the air quality standards the council is obliged to declare an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) and devise an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP).</p> <p>The Council is required to report annually to Welsh Government with regard to latest monitoring data, changes and developments which may be significant with regard to Local Air Quality Management and progress in implementing Air Quality Action Plans devised to address previously identified areas of locally poor air quality.</p> <p>A copy of the latest progress report was reported to the Public Protection Committee in 2014 and is available on the Council's website for the public to view.</p> <p>In summary, there are currently four declared AQMAs in Cardiff and all have been declared in respect of exceedances of the Nitrogen Dioxide limit resulting from road traffic emissions. They are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cardiff City Centre AQMA</li><li>• Ely Bridge AQMA</li><li>• Stephenson Court AQMA</li><li>• Llandaff AQMA</li></ul>
W142	<p><b><u>WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Have any health impact assessments been carried out or commissioned by Cardiff Council regarding less than good air quality?</p>

**Reply**

I refer to my previous answer with regard to the Council's statutory duty to monitor and report on Local Air Quality within the city.

The Committee on the Medical Effects of Air Pollutants (COMEAP) provides independent advice to government departments and agencies on how air pollution impacts on health. There is a strong body of evidence linking air pollution exposure with adverse health outcomes on a national basis but there have been no specific health impact assessments commissioned by the City of Cardiff Council on local air quality and health. This is the case across Wales.

The Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in 2012/3 recognised that a better understanding of the burden of disease from air pollution exposure at the local level, and reasons for its variation, is needed in Wales. Research by Public Health Wales to answer this call from the CMO is currently being undertaken by Public Health Wales. Whilst not Cardiff specific, it will include all areas of Cardiff, and involve analyses of variability in local air pollution concentrations and relevant health outcome rates.