#### **COUNCIL, 24 MARCH 2016 - ORAL QUESTIONS**

### 1 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK**

I understand the criteria used to define fly-tipping by Cardiff Council changed following the issue of guidance from Natural Resources Wales in 2012. Please could you provide the total number of incidents classified as fly-tipping and the total number of incidents classified as a waste presentation issue for each of the following years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16 to date.

### 2 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN**

Does the Cabinet Member support the campaign to keep Meadowbank School open?

# 3 QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY

Why does the Council refuse to agenda in a Council meeting the Authority's role in reclassifying the land for now infamous Welsh Government's land deal at Lisvane?

### 4 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR EVANS**

What are the Council's intentions now that the 18 month 'pilot' Advice Services Contract, introduced in 2014 under a competitive procurement process, is coming to an end? Will the Cabinet Member please make a statement?

# 5 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)

### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES

When will a report outlining the conclusions of the 20mph trial zones in Cathays and Plasnewydd be publicly available?

### 6 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DIANNE REES

The grass verges, hedgerows and roundabouts along many of the main arterial roads into and out of the City are strewn with long standing litter. Fly tipping incidents are increasing in quiet lanes and highways and even main highways. As an illustration of how badly littered our roads are, Lamby Way and Rover Way have verges and hedges strewn with shreds of plastic wrappings and green recycling bags along with soft drink cans and snack food litter. As these roads are close to the council's main recycling and waste disposal site, it is poor reflection on the Council's attitude towards litter.

What was the cost of clearing litter and fly tipping last year, how many prosecutions were there for littering and fly tipping, and what will the Council do to cut down on littering and fly tipping?

### 7 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY

What did Cardiff Council do when the stream at Waungron Park was found to contain serious pollutants and when will a notice be served to ensure that action is taken to resolve the problem?

# 8 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR EVANS**

What quality control mechanisms are built into the Advice Services Contract, awarded by competitive procurement in September 2014, to ensure that those requiring help receive the best advice and the Council obtains best value for its £500K investment in the contract? Will the Cabinet Member please make a statement?

# 9 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HOWELLS**

Has the Council given any consideration to creating an English Immersion Centre to support those schools who accept a significant number of children who arrive at the school with limited or no English?

### 10 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON

Dog fouling is a scourge on our parks and open spaces risking the health of children and young people who play there and ruining the pleasure of a walk in green areas. How many fines have been given for dog fouling last year and what measures has the Council considered implementing to deal with dog owners who are irresponsible in not clearing up after their dogs?

### 11 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY

Will Cardiff Council accept the BSL Charter and act upon it?

### 12 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ALI**

Will the Cabinet Member make a statement on the UK Governments budget cuts to Personal Independence Payments for the disabled?

# 13 QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOWDEN**

Will the Leader take up the suggestion of the Mayor for Cardiff campaign to hold a Referendum on a directly Elected Mayor on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016, the same day as the EU Referendum, thus minimising potential cost to the taxpayer while at the same time giving the people of Cardiff a say on the leadership of this city rather than it being decided by councillors of the majority party?

# 14 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANDERS**

Given the increase in reporting of fly tipping across the city, what measures are you putting in place to keep all our streets clean, across the whole city and how will you ensure visitors to all parts of the city don't leave believing we are a dirty city who takes no pride in our appearance?

### 15 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK

Please provide the figures for the number and total sum of penalties/fines issued for the 2014/2015 and 2015/16 financial year to date for inappropriate activity regarding:

- Skips
- Scaffolding
- Portaloos
- Dumping building materials on the highway

Please could you also let me know whether the fines for these breaches in each of these areas are returned to the Council or not.

### 16 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HILL-JOHN**

Having cycled extensively in Cardiff West and Cardiff North, I am appalled at the state of the roads for cyclists. What actions are being taken to address the highways for cyclists as well as motorists bearing in mind the 50/50 modal split of this Council?

# 17 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

#### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY**

How is it beneficial to pupils educated outside of school to outsource tutors on zero hour contracts?

# 18 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MURPHY

What is going to happen to the homeless outside Marland House? Generally, there are about 3 to 4 people sleeping in the area and also, at least once a week, there is one person in a wheelchair who also sleeps in the area. Now the building work in Central Square has started, is there anything in place to keep these people safe?

### 19 QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KELLOWAY

Does the leader agree that the ID cards issued to councillors certify that they are authorised to carry out any duties required of them as elected Members of the Council?

# 20 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DIANNE REES

What will be the opening hours and activities housed within the Pontprennau School Community facility from September 2016?

### 21 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR RICHARD COOK

The last Cardiff Council Cycling Strategy was agreed in 2007, I understand that a new strategy is in preparation, please can I have an update on when the new strategy will be published.

# 22 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK

Last year, it was decided to move the local studies collection away from the fifth floor of Cardiff Central Library and move the collection to Dominions Way in Newport Road. Instead an IT Suite and Creative Suite were installed on the fifth floor of Central Library. Please could you clarify:

- How much it has cost to rent the space to house the local studies collection in Dominions Way?
- How much the Canton Library consultation cost in staff time and other resources with regard to the proposals to relocate the local studies collection there?
- How much it cost to install the IT suite and Creative Suite on the fifth floor of Cardiff Central Library?
- How much income has been generated through the rental of the IT Suite and Creative Suite in the Central Library since they were established in 2015 to date?

### 23 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON

Are there any plans to improve the surface of the access road and signage at the temporary coach depot in Sophia Gardens?

# 24 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON

Do Waste Management have a timetable for consultation with representatives from the streets that participated in the 'Big Sweep' of autumn leaves, in order to plan and prepare a similar exercise this autumn?

# 25 QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)

#### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON

Will the City Deal's opportunity to create a 'Metro' system for the region be a bus based system using the existing road network?