

COUNCIL, 22 JULY 2021 – LIST OF ORAL QUESTIONS

1	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOODWAY (INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN</u></p> <p>How many sites are currently looking to be disposed of by the Council, with a ward by ward breakdown?</p>
2	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BERMAN</u></p> <p>Do you agree with the views of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) which were recently reported in the media that in view of the carbon emissions involved, including from embodied carbon, we should be seeking to reduce the extent to which we demolish and rebuild buildings and should give greater consideration instead to retrofitting and refurbishing buildings as part of our commitment to tackle climate change?</p>
3	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>When will the new Central bus station open?</p>
4	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DILWAR ALI</u></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member make a statement on 20MPH roll out and when Llandaff North inner streets will be included?</p>

5	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROBSON</u></p> <p>Since 2017 Cardiff's Council Tax rise has been above inflation. This year the budget strategy suggests another inflation busting 4% Council tax rise and 4% rise each year until 2025/26. This shows a lack of consideration for Cardiff's residents, especially the low-paid and retired who are on fixed incomes and who have gone through tough financial times due to the pandemic. Will you commit to capping the next Council Tax rise to a maximum of 1% or lower?</p>
6	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HOPKINS</u></p> <p>The leader's recent statement updating councillors on the current public health situation struck a note of caution and highlighted the need to remain vigilant in light of the increasing Covid-19 infection rates. What representations has the Leader made to the Welsh Government about policy concerning the pandemic in the period ahead and has the leader any insight into whether the UK Government consulted with the Welsh Government before announcing it would be removing restrictions in England?</p>
7	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>When will finance be available to restore twenty-four hour bus services to outer suburbs?</p>
8	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE AND LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MACKIE</u></p> <p>Could the Cabinet Member update us on the progress of the new park in Cathays Park and the refurbishment of Gelligaer Street Park and Cogan Park?</p>

9	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DRISCOLL</u></p> <p>The proposed development on Waungron Road Bus Interchange will include 44 flats, 22 of which will be to house some residents with complex needs, some of who may have mental health issues as well as addictions. Were the local Health Board or Local Surgeries consulted as part of the consultation and, if not, why not?</p>
10	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WEAVER (FINANCE, MODERNISATION AND PERFORMANCE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR TAYLOR</u></p> <p>Is the administration content that its engagement processes are sufficiently robust and representative?</p>
11	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>When will the one way system at Fairwater Green Shops be introduced?</p>
12	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LISTER</u></p> <p>Many cities across the UK are installing “rainbow crossings” in their City Centres as a permanent feature of visibility for the LGBTQ+ community. In 2019, I wrote to ask the Council to consider installing a rainbow crossing in a prominent location here in Cardiff, to show solidarity with the community. Can you please provide an update on plans to install a rainbow crossing in Cardiff?</p>

13	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE AND LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JONES-PRITCHARD</u></p> <p>With the large underspend in parks expenditure this year and the drive to both reduce carbon and sequester it with tree planting, has the council considered planting a pilot “tiny forest”, perhaps through the proposed tree nursery in Fforest Farm, working with local community groups?</p> <p>Tiny forests are the size of a tennis court, and are reported to grow 10 times faster, absorb 30 times more carbon per acre and cost just £25K. If they are being considered, have locations been proposed and, if not, will you look at the possibility of planting one, or more? I’m sure we can suggest some locations.</p>
14	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE AND LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>Large areas of Fairwater Park are being allowed to grow for wild flowers. The grass only being mown in the Autumn. Local residents complain too much of the park is being left unmown and children are prevented from playing ball games. Can the area left unmown be reviewed?</p>
15	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE AND LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE’ATH</u></p> <p>Could you provide an update on the reopening of the renovated Roath Park House building in Roath Pleasure Gardens?</p>

16	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DIANNE REES</u></p> <p>Cardiff is currently seeing some of the highest rates of Covid-19 infection in the country. Cathays South and Bute Park have the highest rates in Wales, with a seven day average of 465.9 per 100,000 followed by Cathays North of 275.7 per 100,000. What action is being taken to understand the causes of such high rates of infection and what action is being taken to prevent the spread of such high rates to other wards of the City?</p>
17	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CUNNAH</u></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member outline the expected benefits of the Neighbourhood Renewal Scheme on Cowbridge Road East?</p>
18	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON</u></p> <p>Will Council consider kerbside sorting of waste to reduce the co-mingling problem that contributed to nearly a third of our recycling going to the incinerator?</p>
19	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE AND LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LISTER</u></p> <p>Following the Council's recent investment in play areas across the City, including in Grange Gardens, what further plans are there for investment across Cardiff?</p>

20	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WEAVER (FINANCE, MODERNISATION AND PERFORMANCE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN</u></p> <p>Going forward, will the Council put in place clauses which incur penalty charges if schemes of work are not delivered on time (unless there are extenuating circumstances)?</p>
21	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JACOBSEN</u></p> <p>Schools across Cardiff have run engaging and exciting school holiday programmes for years, as part of the Welsh Government's School Holiday Enrichment Programme. Can the Deputy Leader advise us of the plans for this summer?</p>
22	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DRISCOLL</u></p> <p>Due to the development by Redrow at Plasdwr which has caused the council some highways issues. One of our well used areas of parkland in Danescourt is being utilised as an overflow attenuation pond to stem the flow of storm water from Llantrisant Road. Our priority should absolutely be to protect property and life from flooding. However, will this mean the long term loss of amenity space for residents of Danescourt and Radyr who use this area for leisure, and if so how do the council propose to mitigate this loss or replace it for residents?</p>
23	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR AHMED</u></p> <p>Many residents in my area, and in the whole of Cardiff, are in need of good quality, affordable housing. How is the Council progressing against its ambitious target to build 2,000 new Council homes?</p>

**QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL
(CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)**

QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON

In Pontcanna we could decrease the picnic litter problem and encourage recycling if Council changed the type of litter bins provided. In Llandaff Fields, in response to residents' requests for more bins, Council provided two large metal wheelie bins. Thank you for these, but they are difficult to reach up to put litter in and look unsightly in a Grade II park. The nearby cafe sells pizzas and take away drinks so there is a large amount of recyclable waste generated. Please could Neighbourhood Services look into this issue and provide better looking bins that are easier to use, and if possible 2 separate bins for food waste and aluminium cans / glass / plastic and a lined event bin for the bulky pizza boxes. These bins would not only look better in this beautiful park, but would reinforce our message to our citizens about the importance of reducing waste and recycling what can be recycled.