

COUNCIL, 17 MARCH 2022 : ORAL QUESTIONS

1	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JONES-PRITCHARD</u></p> <p>I'm sure we are all stunned and horrified at the aggression of Russia against Ukraine and the senseless war that has resulted in widescale destruction and loss of life, homes and livelihoods. Many residents of Cardiff are asking how they can help, from making donations to hosting refugees. Noting the Leader's statement, can this council urgently and proactively set up a page on the Cardiff website providing information on how residents can register an interest in housing refugees and where they can make donations or other ways to help?</p>
2	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BERMAN</u></p> <p>Whilst the project to look at initiatives that could help encourage more pupils of Ysgol Bro Eder to travel to school via active means is welcome, the fact that the school is one of only three Welsh-medium high schools serving the city and therefore has a large catchment area compared to the city's English-medium LEA high schools mean that many pupils will still continue to be dropped off and picked up by their parents. Given the problems faced by residents in Llanedeyrn Road and surrounding streets from inconsiderate and obstructive parking by some parents including on double yellow lines around road junctions and on the grass verges along Llanedeyrn Road, can the council please look at undertaking some targeted and repeated enforcement action (possibly through a joint initiative with South Wales Police) to help deter this?</p>
3	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>What measures can the Council take to ensure soak away gardens do not become trip hazards to partially sighted people and other road users in street and drainage redesign schemes as has happened in Cowbridge Road Canton?</p>

4	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (CULTURE & LEISURE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LISTER</u></p> <p>The Friends of Grange Gardens has recently been established and they are very keen to work with others to brighten up, maintain and make use of our Green Flag park. In particular, they are keen to see more regular planting take place around the Gardens. Can the Cabinet Member confirm what plans the Council has to plant more within Grange Gardens in the coming months?</p>
5	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DRISCOLL</u></p> <p>Following the recent Russian aggression against Ukraine, many countries across the world including the United Kingdom have put in place sanctions against Putin's regime. Can the Leader update members on what steps have been taken to review the council's exposure and or links to Russia, including in relation to pensions and also supply and contract arrangements, including our digital network protections?</p>
6	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANDREY</u></p> <p>With the folding of the Pentwyn and Llanedeyrn pickers due to the lack of willing volunteers able to come forward and take over from retiring committee members, what is the council doing to ensure other groups do not meet the same fate?</p>
7	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>Whilst we welcome the new plans for Cantonian High School, can residents be assured Doyle Avenue, a small suburban street, will not become a very busy access to the new development?</p>

8	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH</u></p> <p>It was a great pleasure to join you at the recent opening of George Williams House, the YMCA's new block of 18 apartments in Plasnewydd for people at risk of homelessness. Could you confirm that George Williams House will be used as part of Cardiff Council's Housing First provision which is already keep people off the streets?</p>
9	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROBSON</u></p> <p>Has the Cabinet Member any plans to increase the number of enforcement cars which can be deployed to tackle parking issues near schools?</p>
10	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOODWAY (INVESTMENT & DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARTER</u></p> <p>What practical support can the council provide to local businesses to take on the franchise of the Pentwyn Post Office?</p>
11	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH PARRY</u></p> <p>Recently major developments at Waungron Road and Canton Community Centre have been proposed with little or no parking provision. This has caused a great deal of concern to residents whose streets will become full of displaced cars. Is the Supplementary Planning Guidance being applied correctly or does it need reviewing?</p>

12	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GORDON</u></p> <p>In our One Planet Strategy, promoting active travel is a key component. How far do you think we are seeing a shift to more sustainable methods of transport – walking, cycling and public transport?</p>
13	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN</u></p> <p>What advice are officers giving regarding the prospect of delivering a HWRC in Cardiff North over the next 5 years?</p>
14	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CLEAN STREETS, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR TAYLOR</u></p> <p>Will the council make available to the public the data from the city's real time air quality monitors?</p>
15	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LAY</u></p> <p>Since restrictions from the pandemic have been lifted, I have received a number of queries from residents about outstanding repairs. Can you advise me what the backlog of repairs is please?</p>

16	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT & SKILLS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN</u></p> <p>Will all the schools below be serving hot school meals after half term?</p> <p>Last time these schools offered hot school meals to pupils:</p> <table data-bbox="284 622 1372 1093"> <tr> <td>Birchgrove Primary School</td> <td>March 2020 (Hot meals served during Food and Fun Summer 2021)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bryn Deri Primary School</td> <td>December 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lansdowne Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Llanedeyrn Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Marlborough Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Meadowbank Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rhiwbeina Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Roath Park Primary School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St Teilo's High School</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> </table>	Birchgrove Primary School	March 2020 (Hot meals served during Food and Fun Summer 2021)	Bryn Deri Primary School	December 2020	Lansdowne Primary School	March 2020	Llanedeyrn Primary School	March 2020	Marlborough Primary School	March 2020	Meadowbank Primary School	March 2020	Rhiwbeina Primary School	March 2020	Roath Park Primary School	March 2020	St Teilo's High School	March 2020
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18	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DILWAR ALI</u></p> <p>Throughout the pandemic, many of our tenants have struggled financially. Can you advise me what has the council been doing to help and what is the level of arrears at this present time please?</p>																		

19	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR OWEN</u></p> <p>Will the Cabinet Member for Transport agree to install more pedestrian crossings – one in the shopping area of Heol y Deri and another on Pantmawr Road, Rhiwbina, to help residents cross when catching the bus?</p>
20	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOYLE</u></p> <p>In 2017, following a series of collaborative discussions between officers and Penylan councillors about removing the narrowings on Ty Draw Road, we were written to as follows:</p> <p><i>We are looking to get the S106 money “drawn down” shortly for both these schemes [of which The Ty Draw project was one] and we will be aiming to formally consult on these schemes early in the new financial year.</i></p> <p>The scheme was delayed on the grounds that it made more sense to do the work as part of proposals to improve cycling infrastructure around Roath Rec. Nonetheless, we were reassured that, at least, the Council was committed to removing the narrowings. The current consultation about the Roath Rec cycle path now says this:</p> <p><i>‘As part of the scheme’s development, we may consider upgrading the priority narrowings on Ty Draw Road to tabled (humped) crossing facilities that maintain low vehicle speeds, but allow two-way traffic flow.’</i></p> <p>Why has the Council stepped back from its previous commitment?</p>
21	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH & WELL-BEING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANGAN</u></p> <p>Could the Cabinet Member please update us on the current pressures in the social care sector?</p>

22	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON</u></p> <p>Can the council look into offering free public transport into the city centre at weekends to kickstart the retail & hospitality sector?</p>
23	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR OWEN JONES</u></p> <p>Could the Cabinet Member give an update on any plans to improve the CCTV systems on Clifton Street?</p>
24	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN</u></p> <p>Will the Council agree to permitting First Responders (who respond as the emergency services) to use Cardiff's bus lanes when on emergency life saving duties, if registration numbers are given in advance?</p>
25	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (STRATEGIC PLANNING & TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MACKIE</u></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member please update us on the progress of the Cycle Highway on Cathays Terrace and the related planned parking changes in that area?</p>
26	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR AHMED</u></p> <p>We are all concerned with the impact of the cost of living crisis, especially with the Tory Government's determination to press ahead with the National Insurance rise, and its refusal to help with fuel costs. I wonder if the Council's Money Advice Service has seen an increase in demand for its service, and what help can it offer?</p>