

COUNCIL, 30 NOVEMBER 2023 : ORAL QUESTIONS

1	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROBSON</u></p> <p>What actions will the Council take to improve safety for pedestrians and reduce the large number of HGVs in Beulah Road?</p>
2	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BERMAN</u></p> <p>Can you please fully update Members as to what action the council has been taking to settle its dispute with Unite and what hope can you offer the residents of the city that you have taken steps to ensure there won't be further strike action by Unite in the New Year, including further disruption to waste collection services?</p>
3	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR STUBBS</u></p> <p>How can women who wish to remain anonymous because of abuse or harassment engage with the planning system and object to applications without their details being published?</p>
4	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR GOODWAY (INVESTMENT & DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LANCASTER</u></p> <p>What is the Council doing to support Cardiff's night-time economy?</p>
5	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (CLIMATE CHANGE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOOD</u></p> <p>Will the council commit to undertake a 'Christmas Tree' waste collection at the end of this festive season?</p>

6	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR STUBBS (CHAIR OF PLANNING COMMITTEE)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL</u></p> <p>Planning is a rules-based system and all planning decisions are taken under planning law and guidance as they are at present. In your view, should passing retrospective regulations and advice be used to delay or refuse decisions taken lawfully by this Council's Planning Committee?</p>
7	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGEMAN (CHAIR OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DAVIES</u></p> <p>Is it not an appropriate question in scrutiny committee to ask the Cabinet Member before it about the suitability of an organisation to receive public funds to deliver youth services when the report being discussed is about the delivery of youth services and mentions said organisation and its receipt of taxpayer money?</p>
8	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BERMAN</u></p> <p>Would you agree that prior to significant road works being undertaken to a prominent road junction, including one situated on key routes, that a) ward councillors and b) local communities should be both notified and consulted in advance of those works taking place, and that the council should explain the rationale for such works as well as for any modifications to the junction that may be being introduced?</p>
9	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (CLIMATE CHANGE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR PROCTOR</u></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member provide an update on what the Council is doing to tackle idling cars?</p>

10	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS (LEADER PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></p> <p>Could the council leader give an update on the situation with cleansing workers in Cardiff?</p>
11	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (CLIMATE CHANGE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS</u></p> <p>Recent criminal convictions following a corruption scandal at Cardiff Council have engulfed the Administration. The Council have committed to undertaking a review of the systems and processes in place at the Waste Department. Huw Thomas said in a recent letter that waste “managers have his full confidence”. That surely rules him out from being involved in the appointment on who investigates and undertakes this internal review. Any council employee would know what the Leader’s view was before any investigation & review had even begun. For this reason, along with the scale of corruption at the Council, any review should be an external one. Therefore to restore public trust and confidence in the Waste Department, would the Cabinet Member agree with me, an external review is necessary, with a sufficiently broad Terms of Reference, to empower the individual undertaking the review to follow the evidence and report on their Findings in an independent and impartial manner?</p>
12	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE’ATH (TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOOD</u></p> <p>Can the council confirm how many existing bus routes are expected to be redirected to call at the new Bus Station when it eventually opens and how much spare capacity there will be to accommodate additional services in the future?</p>

13	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BURKE (CULTURE, PARKS & EVENTS PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ASH-EDWARDS</u></p> <p>Heath Park plays an important role in the wellbeing of residents of Heath and surrounding neighbourhoods of the city, and councillors for the Heath Ward are eager to further enhance amenities in the park for its visitors, including the provision of permanent toilet facilities and a café. Unfortunately, in pursuing this ambition, it has come to light that parts of the park are held in a Council managed trust and progress has stalled. Whilst appreciating the need for the Council to deal with these matters in the right way, the delay is causing considerable frustration. Could you provide an update on how the Council is progressing with resolving these matters, and how long this process might take?</p>
14	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (TACKLING POVERTY, EQUALITY & PUBLIC HEALTH PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DAVIES</u></p> <p>Should an organisation in receipt of public funds to deliver youth services in Cardiff be publicly expressing overt political opinions?</p>
15	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARTER</u></p> <p>The council wants to see more people switch from cars to buses, but the removal of the 51/53 bus has taken away a vital service for residents of Llanedeyrn, Pentwyn, Penylan and Cyncoed to travel to the city centre. In light of the petition submitted, will the cabinet review the decision to not support this service?</p>

16	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANGANI (TACKLING POVERTY, EQUALITY & PUBLIC HEALTH PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR LEWIS</u></p> <p>Cardiff Council has once again played a key part in Wales HIV Testing Week just last week, playing its part in working towards the 2030 goal for zero new diagnosis, by improving testing rates and tackling stigma. Can the Cabinet Member update Members on this year's campaign activities, and advise how Members can continue to play their part?</p>
17	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR WILD (CLIMATE CHANGE PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOOD</u></p> <p>What has the council done since March 2023 to tackle the persistent and ongoing waste issues on Flint Street in Gabalfa ward?</p>
18	<p><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE (HOUSING & COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)</u></p> <p><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DILWAR ALI</u></p> <p>Can the cabinet member provide an update as to whether the winter payment will continue this year for Lydstep flats residents?</p>