### **COUNCIL, 28 JANUARY 2016: ORAL QUESTIONS**

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

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

Arts and culture make a valuable contribution to the life of the city not just in terms of the economic benefits that they bring but also in contributing to community cohesion, health and wellbeing outcomes and educational attainment. What assessment has been made on the likely impact to these benefits that the proposed budget cuts will have?

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

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR DIANNE REES**

As the Capital City of Wales, our Local Studies Collection in Cardiff is visited by researchers from all over the world .Cardiff needs its collection to be accessible to the general public, encompassing all aspects of Cardiff's history and one of which its citizens can be proud. In view of the small area of Cathays Library designated to receive the "collection", what is not being moved to Cathays Library and why?

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

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

How many commercial leases have been sold by the Council since May 1st 2012, how much has each one been sold for and for what period of time?

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

### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK

What is the total revenue from each of the following Council income streams for the period April - December 2015 inclusive?

- Civil Parking enforcement;
- Moving traffic offences;

- Resident Parking Permits;
- Council car parking charges.

# 5 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL (CHAIR OF PLANNING COMMITTEE)

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM THOMAS**

Cardiff Council have objected to the Vale of Glamorgan Council's planning application to redevelop the Ely Brickworks due to the impact of heavy traffic and the impact on the environment. This was done following consultation with residents and local Councillors. How will Cardiff Council ensure it remains consistent given the LDP proposals are on a much larger scale, affect our residents even more directly, and will have a much greater impact for similar reasons?

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

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

What guarantees does the Council offer that existing properties in Cardiff West won't be subject to higher flooding risks due to green field site development and what extra flood defences have been put in?

### 7 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR LENT (EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO)

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR THORNE**

Why has the Council contracted out the Contact Centre for Children's Services, which serves our most vulnerable children, to a private company based in Kent and moved away from in house collaborative and charitable model of delivery?

# 8 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARTER**

Will the cabinet member extend the current free pupil transport to Llanishen High School beyond the current academic year?

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

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

Will the Cabinet Member make a statement on his view of the importance of Pedal Power to the residents of Cardiff?

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

### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HOLDEN

How many horses grazing public land have the council seized using the laws provided to it, and how many of those horses have been destroyed due to lack of appropriate facilities to house them?

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

### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MAGILL

Until now, Cardiff has been without an LDP since 2006 because the then Lib Dem/Plaid run Council irresponsibly failed to produce a sound plan. The failure to produce an LDP made it much harder for the Council and residents to protect open spaces from unsuitable development. For years the Labour council, Julie Morgan AM and campaigners have argued for a Green Belt for the North of Cardiff. Despite objections from developers, the Independent Planning Inspector has approved Cardiff's first Green Wedge to protect this land north of the M4 for the life of the LDP. Whilst this decision means this wonderful landscape will be better protected than previously, will the Council continue to lobby for this protection to remain after 2026?

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

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR RALPH COOK**

Can you detail exactly what you personally did to ensure that the 2012 Cardiff Labour Party's Local Election Campaign Manifesto commitment to include in the Cardiff Local Development Plan a "Green Belt" was fulfilled, and please explain to the Council why you did not make any effort whatsoever to speak with myself (as a former holder of your portfolio) about how I managed to secure the inclusion of the Green Belt proposal in the consultation version of the LDP (over-coming officers' objections) or how I planned to overcome the expected objections from the Planning Inspector?

# 13 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)

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

Will the Cabinet Member give details on what the Council is doing to raise teaching standards in Cardiff schools?

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

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

Will the cabinet member commit to review the road repair schedules in light of the adverse weather making many roads across the city very dangerous? I know of several examples of large potholes appearing causing car damage in Rhiwbina. Very grateful to workmen who undertook emergency repairs in the pouring rain one evening. Perhaps another use for the pot of money generated from fines driving in bus lanes!

# 15 QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)

### QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOODMAN

From the beginning of the roll out of smaller black wheelie bins across the city to date, how many bins have been reported stolen and how many people have paid the £25 charge to replace them please, and during this time period, how many people have been charged a fee for

	the provision of bins of any description when starting a council tenancy or taking up occupancy within a house of multi occupancy (HMO), and the total monies received by the Council from this charging when a tenancy begins or occupancy of a HMO?
16	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR COWAN
	Will the Cabinet Member confirm that no branch library will have funding withdrawn in the financial year 2016/17 which would cause it to close?
17	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR LENT (EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY
	What assurance can the Cabinet Member give that Child Protection Conferences at Cardiff are properly chaired and that children's allegations of alleged abuse are properly recorded and acted upon?
18	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WEAVER
	If the LDP has passed, how quickly will we start to see new Supplementary Planning Guidance be published or consulted on?
19	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOYLE
	In light of the growing pressures on school places, is it worth exploring whether the Howardian Centre could be spared from demolition and brought back into permanent use as a school?

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

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM THOMAS**

Earlier this month there was a serious three vehicle accident on Llantrisant Road near its junction with Croft Y Genau road. Two cars left the road completely, one landing on its roof. I have been campaigning for years to get this area made into a 40mph zone, as accidents happen all too frequently on this busy stretch of road. This has been evaluated and approved for investment but I am still waiting for an implementation date. When will it happen?

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

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUNT**

Local people, the Reservoir Action Group and we as Llanishen Councillors are all delighted that after a 12 year battle the community has achieved its aims with Welsh Water acquiring a 999 year lease on Llanishen and Lisvane Reservoirs. Can we be assured that you will ensure that the Council gives whatever support it can to Welsh Water to achieve their aspirations to refill Llanishen Reservoir and to give public access to the site?

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

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

Did Cardiff Council submit an application for the 2016 Stonewall Workplace Equality Index?

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

### **QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MAGILL**

It is fantastic to see that our four year campaign as Candidates and Councillors for Llanishen and Thornhill to save Llanishen Police Station as a community hub is coming to fruition and that the recent public consultation has resulted in such positive feedback. Please could you confirm the timetable for the new hub being operational?

24	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WHITE
	What pressure can this council bring to bear on the Government to ensure that asylum seekers are not subjected to the inhumane red wristband treatment that was meted out in our city?
25	QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ALI
	Cardiff Bay is a well known, thriving tourist destination, recently highlighted in the news about how it could look with a Barcelona style beach. Can you explore the financial cost?
26	QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)
	QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ALI
	During the work to convert Llandaff North Library into a new community hub, will there be any alternative facilities, such as a mobile library, in the area?