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COUNCIL

Meeting to be held on Monday 16 July 2018

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Agenda Item 4 (a)

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR ORAL REPLY

1. From Sarah Phillips to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

How much money does the Council hold from funds raised by the good people of Beckenham and Bromley for the restoration of the bandstand in Croydon Road Recreation Ground and can the Council provide a breakdown of those funds by source i.e. Friend of the Park, Bowie Beckenham Oddity, brick sales, commercial pledges etc?

2. From Peter Zieminski to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

Alternative Route to Runway 03: The increase in operating hours at the airport has caused a dramatic increase in large, low-flying aircraft. Yet the condition requesting a new route to alleviate residents North and West of the Airport has not been complied with. What are the Council's plans to provide the promised relief to residents?

3. From David Clapham to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

The Consultative Minutes (18th January 2018) record... "In answer to a question from the Chairman, Richard Parry advised that the Sub-Committee only upheld complaints which related to breaches of noise restrictions. Tracking deviations were picked up automatically by the NMTKS."

The NAP stated the NMTKS would provide members of the public with more than now reported in the Consultative Committee Minutes. Residents in Keston (Designated Noise Sensitive Area) are getting fed up with large jets visually approaching runway 03 flying low over their homes. The Committee is apparently in violation of Government Guidelines, The Aviation Policy Framework and in breach of the agreement with LBB. Do you agree?

4. From Dr Mike Roddis, co-chair Kings Hall Safety Action Group (KHSAG) to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

Could you please explain why we have not received a reply from you to our letter of 31st April 2018 despite numerous attempts to follow it up on our part?

5. From James Pattullo to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

Many residents have been adversely impacted by the increase in larger noisy jet aircraft resulting from the increased operational hours. The annual income from BHAL to LBB is over £150,000 short of the Forecast when the extra hours were sanctioned. Why are the figures not published openly for all to see?

6. From Julie Ireland to the Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management Portfolio Holder

In the elections on 3rd May 2018 how many people attended a polling station but were unable to vote because they did not have valid ID with them? Please provide the data broken down by polling station

7. From Sarah Phillips to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

Can the Portfolio Holder explain/outline the timeline over the last 5 years, involved in issuing tender documents to obtain quotes for the cost of restoration work at the Croydon Road Recreation Ground and give details of the current state of play?

8. From Dr Mike Roddis, co-chair Kings Hall Safety Action Group (KHSAG) to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

We are aware of an underspend in Bromley Council's environmental budget in the last financial year of £1,831,000 for 2017/18. Why was some of this budget not used for the development of an enforceable parking scheme and measures to combat speeding on Kings Hall Road (section 1-166)?

9. From Julie Ireland to the Children, Education and Families Portfolio Holder

14 academy schools in Bromley have decided not to have their Year 6 Sats moderated in the borough. Please identify these academies and state which authority they have chosen to use for their moderation.

10. From Sarah Phillips to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

What does the Council see as the future for the bandstand in Croydon Road Recreation Ground?

11. From Dr Mike Roddis, co-chair Kings Hall Safety Action Group (KHSAG) to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

When will the zebra crossings be installed in Kings Hall Road that residents have repeatedly stressed are needed to address the dangers to our children and those attending nearby schools face when crossing the road and indeed all other pedestrians?

12. From Julie Ireland to the Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management Portfolio Holder

At the Council meeting on 26 February 2018 the Resources Portfolio Holder said that only 68% of FOI requests between July and December 2017 had been answered within the regulatory 20 working day period.

Please provide further statistics stating the number of FOI requests received between 1/7/17 and 31/3/18, the number that were answered within 20 working days, the number that were answered between 21 and 60 working days, the number refused and the category of refusal, and the number that received no response.

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1. From Colin Willetts to the Resources, Commissioning and Contracts Portfolio Holder

With regard to the LBB local elections 2018, could you tell us if any of the postal votes returned were scrutinised/sampled for fraud, (i) if so how many? & (ii) in what wards?

2. From Colin Willetts to the Leader of the Council

Following complaints/ reports from the residents of Swan Close that Councillor Hitchins does not live at his current electoral address this coupled with his failure to reply to emails sent & carry out any advice surgeries, where does he actually reside now on electoral role?

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1. From Cllr Julian Benington to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

West Camp, Biggin Hill is the former offices, barracks, messes, Hangers and storage areas for the RAF who left the airfield and West Camp in 1992, 26 years ago. It was bought by Pentridge Properties, which company is effectively owned by Bernie Ecclestone, who used the hangers and some of the buildings for storage. Many of these buildings are Listed, but little or no maintenance has or is carried out on them, the whole site is a deteriorating eyesore and total waste.

In May 2017 a letter was sent to Pentridge Properties from this borough expressing an interest in purchasing the site. The reply received was that it had already been sold, but this sale fell through almost immediately. What steps have been or are being taken now to purchase this site?

2. From Cllr David Jefferys to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

Would the Portfolio Holder clarify who is responsible for controlling and monitoring the air space under 2,500 feet over Bromley for both fixed wing aircraft and helicopters?

3. From Cllr Alexa Michael to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

When will the measures to control the speed and volume of traffic on Heathfield Road in Keston be implemented? What form will these measures take?"

4. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council

Does he support the general principle practised across the corporate and public sectors that, when something goes horribly wrong inside the organisation, the person "with whom the buck stops" should take ultimate responsibility and resign (if not be sacked)?

5. From Cllr Vanessa Allen to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services

Please describe the Council's policy for the implementation and enforcement of 20mph speed limits outside primary and secondary schools.

6. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Leader of the Council

Bromley Youth Council are ambassadors for engaging with young people and they elected to have a young Mayor. The next stage in the process is for a white paper to be

produced between the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council. Can you give us an update on the status of this white paper?

7. From Cllr Josh King to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing

Does the portfolio holder agree that 22 affordable homes completed in Bromley in a year is not acceptable, given the level of demand for housing within the Borough?

8. From Cllr Marina Ahmad to the Portfolio Holder for Education, Children and Families

How much extra, in pounds, has been spent on the Education, Children and Families budget since the damning OFSTED report in June 2016?

9. From Cllr Simon Jeal to the Portfolio Holder for Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management

Could you please comment on Barnet Council's plan to take around 11 current outsourced services back in house and whether the problems they have faced could be risks to the London Borough of Bromley's commissioning model?

10. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services

What is the Council doing to encourage Bromley Residents to participate in World Car Free day on Saturday 22 September?

11. From Cllr Kevin Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing

How will the Council support businesses in Penge as they transfer onto the Business Improvement District? Will the Portfolio Holder ensure that, despite the Town Centre Team ceasing, the Council will ensure retail in smaller high streets are promoted and protected?

12. From Cllr Tony Owen to the Leader of the Council,

The LBB Report DRR16/057 15th June 2016 promised to appoint a member of LBB staff to assist with monitoring the agreement with BHAL, paid for by BHAL. When is this appointment going to be announced, as residents need a Council officer with whom to raise their very many serious concerns?

13. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Families

Will he make a statement of the Report by Christine Whatford into St Olave's School?

14. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council

How does he see the work of Audit Sub Committee developing over the forthcoming year and does he anticipate any areas of the Council's activities in which an audit (or an OFSTED inspection) would find similar serious failings as in the last 2-3 years?

15. From Cllr Vanessa Allen to the Portfolio Holder for Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management

Will he provide a breakdown of the costs of the recent voter ID pilot and of the monies paid for this pilot by the Cabinet office?

16. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing

We learned recently that another of our Bromley Community Centres, Penge East Community Centre, is earmarked for development by Clarion Housing. They stated that no guarantee of a replacement Community Centre can be made. Will the London Borough of Bromley support our residents and community to ensure they provide a replacement Community Centre.

17. From Cllr Josh King to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services

In May the UK was referred to the European Court of Justice for failing to tackle illegal levels of air pollution. Can the Portfolio Holder report when the most recent air quality figures for Bromley were recorded and what the readings were?

18. From Cllr Marina Ahmad to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Families

LBB still does not have a permanent Director of Education, despite advertising and interviewing one applicant. There is now a process of offering a secondment to Headteachers in the borough. Why has it been so difficult to attract the right person to the post?

19. From Cllr Simon Jeal to the Leader of the Council

Following the publication of the Government's LGBT action plan, what assessment will council officers and portfolio holders be carrying out to implement parts of the plan relevant to local authority services.

20. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Leader of the Council

What progress has been made on the following motion agreed at the September 2017 Council Meeting?

"This Council re-confirms its commitment to the maximum possible levels of openness and transparency at all times. Council requests that a review be undertaken by Officers to be presented to the next meeting of the Constitution Improvement Working Group to establish how and whether this commitment might be better illustrated and publicised."

21. From Cllr Kevin Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Families

The Portfolio Holder has identified a small budget to support SACRE. Taking into account the extent of academisation in Bromley how does he feel this budget can most effectively be spent?

22. Cllr Tony Owen to the Leader of the Council

What assessment have you made of the skills and talents of your Council colleagues? How do you ensure that they are deployed to the maximum benefit of local taxpayers (especially given the cost of over £1 million per year)? Is it sensible that 2 Councillors (Cllr Tickner and myself) with 69 years experience in local government between us have been denied our requested participation in the scrutiny process?

23. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Leader of the Council

How much has been spent from the Growth Fund to support Skills and Enterprise Development in the Biggin Hill Strategic Outer London Development Area?

24. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to Portfolio Holder for Adult Care & Health

Can the Portfolio Holder please comment on the implications of the recent report by the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman which concluded that:-

“The Council failed to ensure Ms M’s son, Mr N, could receive the level of care that he was entitled to. Mr N has lost out on provision and Ms M, who wanted to support him, has been caused distress and time and trouble. This has been made worse because although Ms M complained to the Council, it failed to deal with this complaint.”

The report found *“Fault found causing injustice”* and recommended that the Council: *“pays £2,865 to reflect the time, trouble and distress it caused to Ms M and Mr N; and, apologises for the fault identified in this report.”*

25. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection and Enforcement

Bromley has again been blighted by trespassing Travellers and although, in Penge, no costly clean up was required, there were numerous accounts of loss of income and inconvenience to our traders and residents. Will Bromley Council commit funds to support practical engineering solutions, where possible, to stop this type of access?

26. From Cllr Josh King to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing

How does the Portfolio Holder plan to house a greater proportion of those housed in temporary accommodation within the Borough?

27. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing

How many lockers at the Beckenham Spa Leisure Centre wet side changing rooms have no locks and the reasons why this is so?

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1. From Cllr Simon Fawthrop to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

For a written reply in tabular format please - can he list by Ward the number of Green Garden Waste bins currently in circulation and a similar figure for the previous year.

i.e.

	2017	2018
Biggin Hill	200	210

2. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

Please provide details of all default notices issued to Kier between 2014 and 2018 in relation to Crystal Palace ward.

3. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management Portfolio Holder

Please provide details of how much has been spent by the council in terms of pension liabilities on contracts awarded since 2010.

4. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Public Protection and Enforcement Portfolio Holder

Can you please advise the number of mobile and fixed CCTV units Bromley has at its disposal and how many of those were purchased recently?

We have two hotspots where the police would like CCTVs returned because the problems had stopped whilst the CCTVs were in place but theft and ASB have returned in those areas.

5. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Children, Education and Families Portfolio Holder

At a recent public meeting I was challenged about the lack of information available about activities in Bromley for children/youths. LBB website that lists activities does not appear to be kept updated. Whose responsibility is it to update this? Is the website outdated now as an information tool for young people? Are there any plans to modernise the system to engage better with our young people.

6. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Renewal, Recreation & Housing Portfolio Holder

How many residents from our housing waiting list have been permanently housed in Bromley in the past 12 months. How many of those placed were housed in mobility specifically adapted properties in Bromley?

7. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Resources, Commissioning and Contract Management Portfolio Holder

Please provide the number of electors per ward, with postal voters shown separately, as of the initial issue of the 17/18 register and the register used on polling day.

8. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Children, Education and Families Portfolio Holder

What response has been made by the Council to the Government's questionnaire on Home Education?

9. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing Portfolio Holder

What design advice is given to applicants seeking to provide high density housing in Town Centres so as not to undermine the quality of life for existing residents and users?

10. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett to the Environment and Community Services Portfolio Holder

What action is proposed to tackle the outbreak of fly posted advertising stickers on shop fronts in West Wickham and Bromley Town Centres?

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MOTION

To be moved by Councillor Ian Dunn and seconded by Councillor Simon Jeal -

Road Safety

“This council recognises residents' concerns about road safety and so instructs a review of its current policy and its implementation.”

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