COUNCIL MEETING

19th OCTOBER 2015

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

1. From CIIr Simon Fawthrop to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation

How many planning applications in the last year in relation to Petts Wood & Knoll Ward were received?

(a) in the last financial year and

(b) In this current financial year.

In relation to the total applications received by the Council what proportion is this of all the applications received by the Council in the same period?

a) Over the same period how many applications were called in to committee by Petts Wood & Knoll ward members?

b) What is this as a proportion of the total number of applications for Petts Wood & Knoll ward?

2. From Cllr Simon Fawthrop to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation

How many responses to the Biggin Hill consultation survey which were included in the Council and Executive reports on 25th March 2015 were excluded from the final results because they were duplicate entries at the same address, of these how many were in favour of the proposals and how many were against?

3. From Cllr Simon Fawthrop to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation

(a) What legal considerations have been given to a) the Human Rights Act in relation to both individual rights and rights to the enjoyment of land (Schedule I part II Article 1) in drawing up the report on Biggin Hill Airports proposals for extended operating hours (The Act postdates the Lease). Please provide a list of any legal advice given?

(b) the Climate Change Act 2008 in drawing up the report on Biggin Hill Airports proposals for extended operating hours (The Act postdates the Lease). Please provide a list of any legal advice given?

4. From Councillor Peter Fookes to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection and Safety

What representations has Bromley made to the Mayor of London and Stephen Greenhalgh with regard to the proposal to withdraw all Police Community Support Officers from the streets of the borough and when will there be consultation with residents of the borough on this matter?

5. From Councillor Peter Fookes to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

What follow up assessment has been provided to all those residents with mild learning disabilities who were part of the Key Ring scheme who lost out as a result of the cuts that you introduced in April?

6. From Councillor Peter Fookes to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

How much does the borough pay agencies for locum social workers and what is the longest contract offered?

7. From Councillor Tom Philpott to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation

Further to Councillor Nicholas Bennett's oral question earlier this year, can the Portfolio Holder please give an update on the long hoped for refurbishment of West Wickham Leisure Centre. Specifically, can he update members on the current projected timescale for work to commence and whether it is expected that this work would be built into any future borough wide contract with MyTime?

Can the Portfolio Holder also advise what steps the council is taking in the meantime to ensure that facilities in West Wickham are kept up to an adequate standard by MyTime?

8. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

Whilst I am grateful that at last the street cleaning schedule has been made available to the public, please will the Portfolio Holder change the location of the schedule on the site so that people can easily find it? As this schedule has the potential to deliver direct service monitoring by local residents, will the Portfolio Holder also agree to proactively publicise the availability of the schedule by press release / stakeholder communications etc.?

9. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

The Portfolio Holder is aware of a recent infestation of bed bugs in Amplio House. Can the Portfolio Holder please give concise timeline of events and in particular details of how and when residents and their carers/guardians were informed of this outbreak by either Avenues Management or LBB? Can the Portfolio Holder also please supply the method statement and HACCP analysis provided by Avenues management in relation to both the prevention and treatment of infestations of this type?

10. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

Officers report unprecedented levels of fly tipping in the Borough. I am informed that clearance of such debris is now being undertaken by personnel otherwise employed on regular street cleaning. Please can you provide details of the existing contract specification, SLA and KPIs on the clearance and disposal of fly tipped waste? Does the Portfolio Holder agree with me that residents should not suffer dirtier streets because of the actions of a minority of offenders who may well not even live in the Borough? And if so, what is he going to do to ensure this doesn't happen?

11. From Cllr lan Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for Resources

Will the Portfolio Holder provide full details of the processes used by Liberata for the follow up of Council Tax and Business Rate debt, including the use of bailiffs?

12. From Cllr lan Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for Resources

Will the Portfolio Holder provide the components of the Council's contract with Liberata governing their use of bailiffs.

13. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

What criteria are used to determine how frequently footpaths and carriageways are swept? Are these any differences in how these criteria are applied in different parts of the borough? Are there any plans to change these criteria?

14. From Cllr Kathy Bance to the Portfolio Holder for Education

Can the Portfolio Holder please provide an update on the Council's plans for the future of Kentwood Adult Education Centre?

15. From Cllr Richard Williams to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment.

Despite numerous complaints to Thames Water regarding an ongoing leak on Anerley Hill SE19, the leak has not been rectified. Will the Council put additional pressure onto Thames Water to rectify this problem?

16. From Cllr Vanessa Allen to the Portfolio Holder for Resources.

As the transition period for Independent Electoral Registration ends on 1 December 2015, please will the Portfolio Holder advise on the following:

- How many people were registered to vote, broken down by ward, for the general election of May 2015?
- How many people are individually registered to vote, broken down by ward, as of now?
- What percentage of the population of the borough do these figures represent, again by ward?

- How are moves into the borough tracked (whether into purchased or rented accommodation), and how are new residents contacted?
- What steps will be taken after 1 December to keep the electoral register up to date, and how and when will residents be contacted?

17. From Cllr Kevin Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

The recent policy to 'no longer include households on the register if they are assessed as lacking one bedroom and are not tenants of partner Housing Associations' has caused concern and consternation amongst residents. Would the Portfolio Holder please provide the rate of the appeals and specify the numbers of those who have appealed on medical grounds? Would the Portfolio Holder please inform us what levels of support and advice are being provided for residents that make an appeal, particularly concerning appeals on medical grounds?