

## COUNCIL MEETING

11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016

### QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR ORAL REPLY

**1. From Sarah Horsley, BFCA Secretary & Chair, to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services**

How will LBB Councillors, who are all Corporate Parents, fulfill Bromley's Pledge to Children Looked After, if fostering allowance cuts go ahead? Foster carers will no longer be able to afford to take them on holidays, pay for religious celebrations, birthdays and extra-curricular activities, if additional allowances are cut.

**2. From Sarah Horsley, BFCA Secretary & Chair, to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services**

If cuts to foster allowances go ahead this summer, 80% of Bromley carers will transfer to another Borough that values the work their foster-carers do by paying better fees. Would the councillors advise what provision they have put in place to deal with re-placing 100+ children with new carers?

**3. From Sarah Horsley, BFCA Secretary & Chair, to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services**

76% of foster carers stated that it would no longer be financial viable for the person in their care to join them on their family holiday. Would the councillors advise how they intend to provide respite for nearly 100+ children during the month of August?

**4. From David Clapham to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

What specifically have the Council discovered following the information previously provided concerning the two flights operating outside hours and claimed to be 'Home Based'?

**5. From David Clapham to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

What action does LBB intend to take on these two clear lease contraventions and what process will be instigated to ensure spot-checks on information provided are carried out in future.

**6. From David Clapham to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

In view of these and other potential contraventions, are the Council satisfied that the many promises made during the application process for additional operating hours will be honoured.

**7. From Giuliana Voisey to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

*(Please refer and circulate my first attachment, taken from BH Section 2, recently published by LBB)*

The very important over-riding clause (f) of Schedule 3 is now in brackets. It could prevent the Piaggio Avanti at BH, as is already the case at other private airports. Since you promised that, excepting the hours, the terms of Schedule 3 will remain, why is that clause in brackets?

**8. From Giuliana Voisey to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

*(Please refer and circulate Figure 7 in my second attachment, taken from the Cyrrus submission with regards to the new R03 route)*

The forecast procedure for take-offs from R03 no longer requires turning east one mile from take-off. Jets will now follow the R21 route to the hospital, Farnborough, Crofton and Orpington. Where is Cllr Carr's promised benefit for us since, when we do not have landings, now have even noisier take-offs?

**9. From Giuliana Voisey to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation**

£65,000 have been allocated in the new budget for extra consultancy work on the implementation of the NAP. Considering that residents have already explained that we do not consider the noise monitoring and track keeping system helpful, why do you continue to spend residents' money on this futile exercise?

**10. From Robin Fletcher to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services**

The London Borough of Bromley has stated its intention to move to a commissioning borough for all services. Does the council therefore intend to move fostering services including foster carers to an Independent Fostering Agency (IFA)? If so - has an agency or agencies been approached by LBB in order to provide this service, what stage are the negotiations and has an IFA been appointed or will be appointed within this financial year 2016/17?

**11. From Jonathan Coulter to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment**

Road congestion is growing, and one way of reducing it is to get commuters cycling to the stations. In view of this:

- What is the Council doing to improve the safety of the approaches to Bromley South along the A21 and Westmoreland Road?
- Has the Council any plans for segregated cycle tracks on these routes?