

COUNCIL MEETING

1ST MARCH 2017

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

1. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

What representations he has received about parking in Ravenswood Avenue and what has been his response?

2. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

If he will set out in table format for the each of the past three years the following:

- i. the number of people provided with accommodation as a result of being declared homeless;
- ii. the number of family units this represents;
- iii. the number who were or are Looked After Children ;
- iv. the principal reasons for them becoming homeless;
- v. the average length of time a person stayed in homeless accommodation
- vi. the average cost
- vii. the total cost?

3. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett to the Portfolio Holder for Resources

In 2017-18 budget what is the percentage of Council revenue accounted for by:

- i. Council tax
- ii. Government grant
- iii. Income from charges and fees
- iv. Interest on investments?

4. From Councillor Ian Dunn to the Chairman of Development Control Committee

On how many planning permissions for new residential units from calendar years 2014 and 2015 has work not yet started? Please break down the response by year and by number of bedrooms. Please also provide the number of residential planning permissions granted in these two years, broken down by number of bedrooms?

5. From Councillor Ian Dunn to the Leader of the Council

Further to his mail dated 12 January 2017, can the Leader explain how the Council's Policy Development & Scrutiny arrangements will apply to the responsibilities for Children's Services which were transferred from the Care Services Portfolio to the Education Portfolio?

6. From Councillor Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

How many of Bromley's homeless are armed forces veterans and has LBB a policy in place which gives specific ongoing support to them as they make the transition from institutional living to independent living?

7. From Councillor Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

What is the Council doing to anticipate the impact of the introduction of Universal Credit on the number of people applying to join the Housing Register? Please provide information on the number of people on the Homeless Register at the end of each month from January 2016 to now?

8. From Councillor Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection

Have we any cases of radicalisation in the past 3 years and if so, how many and what was the date of the last case?

9. From Councillor Richard Williams to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

Network Rail have felled a large number of trees at Anerley station without consultation with local residents. This has created loss of privacy for many. What is the process for the felling and should Network Rail have consulted with Bromley Council and residents?

10. From Councillor Richard Williams to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

Once a report has been made on Fix My Street what is the target time for investigating & resolving issues which are the Council's responsibility? How does the Council monitor its contractors' compliance with these targets? What percentage of issues were resolved within target during 2016?

11. From Councillor Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for Care Services

Please supply copies of the equalities impact assessments undertaken in relation to the changes made to the non- residential contributions policy agreed by the Executive on 10th January 2017.

12. From Councillor Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for Resources

There is evidence of extremely poor administration of utility and other bills which should have been passed on to tenants in relation to both Anerley Town Hall and Crystal Palace Museum. As a consequence, the council has not received considerable sums it is owed.

Given that the council also failed to pass on rent increases to Liberata for space they occupy at the Civic Centre site, please provide details of all such similar uncollected debts from across the Borough.

Please also clarify whether these sums are to be included in the additional income generated by Amey (of which the council will receive only a percentage) under the terms of the recently implemented TFM contract.

13. From Councillor Kevin Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for the Environment

What assurance can the Council give to residents thinking of becoming Street Friends that they are providing an additional service and not replacing council services?

14. From Councillor Peter Fookes to the Portfolio Holder for Environment

Will he produce a car park strategy for Penge that ensures that motorists do not receive unfair parking tickets in the Blenheim Centre in Penge?

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

What cuts to the smoking cessation and sexual health services in Bromley are going to take place in 2017/18?

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

What is the waiting time to see an occupational therapist and how many people are currently on that list?