

EXECUTIVE

24th May 2017

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

From David Clapham to the Renewal and Recreation Portfolio Holder

1. Are members aware of the fact that there is an existing planning permission (Ref: DC/14/02136/FULL1) in place for a museum alongside the Chapel at Biggin Hill?

Reply:

Yes.

2. The sums on the document in your papers approved for the fees of Robin Lee Architecture for the Biggin Hill Memorial Museum at well over £225,000 are duplicating the work by the Biggin Hill Battle of Britain Supporters Club, which secured planning approval. Which budget source are these funds coming from?

Reply:

The work is not a duplication and unlike the Biggin Hill Battle of Britain Supporters Club the Council has developed a scheme on the basis of available grant funding, a sustainable business plan for the future governing Trust, and transferred land ownership from the RAF. The Council's match funding for the scheme is from Central Contingency.

3. What does the Contract with Robin Lee Architects call for in circumstances where the submitted planning application (17/00728/FULL1) is refused?

Reply:

Planning permission has been granted. Robin Lee Architects are paid in relation to work completed. Therefore if planning permission had not been granted the architects would not receive the remainder of their fee in relation to RIBA stages 5 – 7.

From Colin Willetts, Secretary of the Longbury Residents Association, to the Environment Portfolio Holder

1. Could you extend yellow lines in front of bus stops outside 297 & opposite 283 Chipperfield Road or increase bus quadrant length to take into account new stock with centre opening doors thus allowing residents safely alight on hard base rather than frontage verge?

Reply:

Retention of parking stock on Chipperfield Road remains necessary to reduce average traffic speeds.

Your question relating to the use of differently designed busses will be investigated and a written response sent to you shortly.

2. Having been previously attended court as a witness (LBB) in the case of a resident successfully claiming compensation from LBB having slipped whilst alighted bus on grass verge, would you, where necessary, increase hard standing capacity across Cray Valley West to prevent a re- occurrence of these preventable accidents?

Reply:

Each bus stop is assessed on a case by case basis.

3. Having been outstanding for 8 months, could you tell us when the metal fencing adjacent 2 St Peters Lane (with 12 foot drop below to concrete base/no safety barriers) will be replaced?

Reply:

This was completed on 4th May 2017.