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COUNCIL MEETING

19th April 2021

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL FOR ORAL REPLY

1. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education & Families

What information does he have concerning levels of domestic abuse since the beginning of lockdown in 2020 until now?

2. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection & Enforcement

There are a number of static beggars operating in the borough sitting outside cash machines or popular shops. Even with the COVID lockdown they appear free to operate in this way. Is this considered ASB and is there intervention to assist those in need and enforcement for the criminal beggars?

3. From Cllr Vanessa Allen to the Leader of the Council

In the interests of public engagement and openness, will the Leader agree to continue live streaming of Council Meetings, including PDSs, subcommittees, panels etc after we return to face to face meetings?

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

A number of local authorities have suffered damaging cyber attacks over the past 12 months, what action has the Council taken in response to improve the cyber security of our IT systems?

5. From Cllr Josh King to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing

A recent report by the BBC (https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-56510107) indicates that in Bromley less than 20% of rough sleepers helped by the 'Everyone In' campaign are now in settled or supported accommodation. Why has Bromley performed so badly in comparison with other local authorities and what is being done to improve the Borough's performance in the future?

6. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for Environment & Community Services

What action is the Council taking to ensure that it will be able to deal with all applications to register historic rights of way in a timely manner, given the deadline for doing this of 2026?

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

Beckenham Harris Secondary School have made the decision to prioritise Beckenham Harris Primary School pupils for its new admissions policy. Whilst acknowledging the Portfolio Holder has limited decision making due to LBB academisation, will he agree that the school's decision sets a dangerous precedent and that it is worrying for the parents, pupils and staff of independent junior schools?

8. From Cllr Kieran Terry to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing

As non-essential shops start to open following lockdown, how is the Council supporting our High Streets during the re-opening process?

9. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Portfolio Holder for Environment & Community Services

Now that you have finally become active in LB Croydon's proposals for an LTN in Crystal Palace, please provide an update on what mitigations you are considering on Bromley roads to protect residents of Cintra Park and Milestone & Patterson Roads.

10. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection & Enforcement

With the police and a government task force looking to make our streets safer for all, will you re-consider installing additional CCTV in Bromley's serious crime locations?