

**Council****28<sup>th</sup> February 2022****Questions from Members of the Public for Oral Reply****1. From Shaun Slator to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services**

What changes in air quality have there been over the last 4 years in Bromley?

**2. From Dermot Mckibbin to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

If the Government implemented election promises to abolish no fault evictions for private tenants, what would be the financial savings to the Council? Is the Council committed to the “levelling up” reforms of the private rented sector as recently proposed by Government?

**3. From Dermot Mckibbin to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services**

The Prime Minister supports councils encouraging more cycling in “Gear Change: one year on.” Will the Council consult with residents in BR3 on steps to promote more cycling in BR3 such as bike hangers, cycle lanes and better facilities at Beckenham Junction station?

**4. From Paula Peters to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

I understand that Bromley Council extended the consultation period for the supplementary planning document from 6 weeks to 12 weeks. Can the Council please clarify what was the actual date that the 12- week consultation period began for the supplementary planning document?

**5. From John Pead to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

What is the earliest recorded reference to the Orpington Town Centre Supplementary Planning Document currently under consideration?

## **6. From Jonathan Andrews to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

Given the mass library closures and transfers to community ownership in Harrow, Ealing and Lewisham in recent years and the proposals to make large cuts to services in Croydon, how many libraries has Bromley closed or transferred to community ownership since 2015?

## **7. From Alisa Igoe to the Leader of the Council**

On 25 January applications to the Household Support Fund of £1.8million closed “due to heavy take up”. The Council said it was “pleased to have played its part in dispensing grants to around 1500 Bromley families in need over this period, significantly ahead of the government’s 31 March deadline”. Is it possible such a swift and high take up also indicates there are many families still in need, who the Council were unable to help?

## **8. From Alisa Igoe to the Leader of the Council**

On 20 December the journalist Jodie Ginsberg tweeted a thank you to the Leader of the Council, remarking on your compassionate response to an issue she said she had raised with you, relating to housing resettled Afghan families. Could you please expand on the discussion and any positive outcomes from it?

## **9. From Cindy Mayer to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

Has the draft SPD been written with Areli’s high-rise residential blocks in mind e.g, 12-15 storey may be suitable for this location? Report HPR2021/009 dated 10 Feb 2021 shows the Regeneration Board was steering the direction of this application and SPD could potentially make it easier to get approval.

## **10. From Stuart Mayer to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing**

It would appear that the regeneration board has been steering Areli since June 2020 regarding the Walnuts quarter. Given that 97% of residents oppose this scheme it would appear that both the Council and Areli have misjudged public opinion. Isn’t it time that the Council consulted with residents on this matter?