

Council**11th April 2022****Questions from Members of the Council for Oral Reply****1. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council**

Will he agree with me that one of the best decisions this council has made is to reopen a housing revenue account and start building council owned homes for Bromley residents?

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

How many Bromley residents are currently in arrears for council tax, or other fees owed to the Council, and how much does this amount to in terms of £ value?

3. From Cllr Ian Dunn to the Portfolio Holder for Adult Care & Health

An item published on the website of Bhatt Murphy solicitors on 19 February 2021 states that “A judge at Central London County Court has ruled that the London Borough of Bromley adult social care team were negligent and breached their obligations to protect life under the Human Rights Act in failing to take steps to protect a vulnerable adult after he had become mentally unwell. He later died of smoke inhalation at his home in March 2016.”

What lessons have been learned from this tragic case?

4. From Cllr Josh King to the Leader of the Council

In a recent open letter to the government, the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC), Make UK, the Institute of Directors and the Confederation of British Industry have asked that the term Chairman for company boards be replaced, arguing the term is archaic and needs updating.

Does the Leader agree that the Council should update its constitution and replace the term Chairman with Chair?

5. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Services

Bromley Council is ploughing £1 million into parks as it plans to create more green spaces. Will this money just fill the void in park funding as there has been no Equipment replacement budget for years and will Bromley Council protect all our current green spaces and metropolitan open land?

6. From Cllr Kevin Kennedy-Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing.

Now that the BIDs are responsible for the financial running of our High Streets what responsibility do the Council have to in relation to planning to prevent overdevelopment and reduction in shop units?

7. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett MA JP to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing

If he will make a statement about the lack of changing facilities, lavatories and showers for swimmers at the Spa Leisure Centre as a result of work to replace the floor in the changing rooms and why this has now taken more than three months?

8. From Cllr Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council

On a recent radio interview & in response to a resident's complaint about the condition of the toilets in Crystal Palace Park, you refused to visit them because you said you had officers to do that sort of thing for you.

Several months later, these toilets remain in an appalling condition. Will you now accept my personal invitation to visit so that you can decide whether you think your answer - and this Council's provision of public conveniences in its premier heritage park - is acceptable to local residents?

9. From Cllr Simon Jeal to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education & Families

Could you please confirm how many pupils and teachers were absent from Bromley schools in the past week due to suspected or confirmed coronavirus cases, and how this figure has changed compared to a month ago?

10. From Cllr Josh King to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation & Housing

How many planning applications remain on the backlog which have required that the target date for determination has one or more extensions?

11. From Cllr Kathy Bance MBE to the Portfolio Holder for Renewal, Recreation and Housing

Is the LBB funding or part funding any Job Clubs for the rest of this year and if so, can you advise which wards they are located in.

12. From Cllr Kevin Kennedy-Brooks to the Portfolio Holder for Environment & Community Services

I have had an increase in residents complaining about repairs to roads such as pot-holes. How does the Council proactively monitor contractors to ensure their repairs are adequate?

13. From Cllr Nicholas Bennett MA JP to the Leader of the Council

What weight is given to representations by local organisations claiming to represent local residents which appear to have no constitution or democratic process for electing the organisation's leaders?