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Council

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Questions from Members of the Public for Oral Reply

1. From Thomas Murphy to the Chairman of General Purposes and Licensing Committee

What specific steps are the Council taking to raise awareness of the new voter ID laws for elections? And would it be possible to have a page on Bromley Council's website outlining the new requirements, with a link to the Voter Authority Certificate application page on gov.uk?

2. From Susan Moore to the Chairman of General Purposes and Licensing Committee

The Council will be aware that the new voter ID laws will disproportionately affect young people and ethnic minority voters, who are less likely to have photo ID, what steps are the Council taking to ensure that these specific groups are not disenfranchised during elections?

3. From Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council

Please provide full details of consultations that the Council has undertaken with BVST (as leaseholder), and with other tenants or organisations who currently rent office or other space in Community House, regarding the sale of this building.

4. From Richard Honess to the Portfolio Holder for Transport, Highways and Road Safety

What is the criteria for a pothole to be fixed on a residential street?

5. From Ju Owens to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection and Enforcement

Could you please outline how much the Council have spent in the past four years, and on what, funding actions to make Bromley streets safer for women?

6. From Angela Wilkins to the Leader of the Council

In deciding to put Community House up for sale immediately, what is the Council most interested in:

- a. Obtaining the maximum capital receipt; or
- b. Finding tenants to subsidise the costs of running its new, very large Council offices; or
- c. Ensuring that the social, health, economic and community benefits that are the outputs from Community House can continue and thereby support local residents.

7. From Richard Honess to the Portfolio Holder for Sustainability, Green Services and Open Spaces

18 months ago, I asked a question about the upkeep of the Rookery Gardens Estate and was assured by the then RRH Portfolio Holder that the matter would be discussed and actioned. What discussions and actions have subsequently taken place?

8. From Ju Owens to the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection and Enforcement

When launching their £200 million fund for active travel schemes (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/200-million-to-improve-walking-and-cycling-routes-and-boost-local-economies>) the Government acknowledged that 1 in 2 women feel unsafe walking after dark in a quiet street near their home, and that all proposals must take this into account. How much of the fund will Bromley Council be applying for and how will you be ensuring women's safety is considered?