Question Time: 14 February 2020

Members asked questions of members the Cabinet and chairmen as set out below. In instances where a Cabinet Member, the Leader or a chairman undertook to take follow-up action, this is also noted below.

A Prosperous Place

Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters.

Penlands Farm development, Haywards Heath, from Mr Bradbury.

In response to a request from Mr Bradbury for the Cabinet to meet stakeholders affected by a three-month road closure in connection with the development known as Penlands Farm which would close one of the major roads into Haywards Heath, the Cabinet Member said he or a senior officer from the Highways Team would make effort to have a dialogue with the residents affected.

Lewes Road, Lindfield traffic regulation order (TRO), from Mr Lea

In response to a question from Mr Lea about the TRO which was causing concern locally, the Cabinet Member said he would ask officers to look at the issue.

West of Ifield development, from Mr Oxlade.

In response to a question about whether, in view of the developments west of Ifield and at Kilnwood Vale, the Council had a view of the impact of the development, including the need for a western bypass, the Cabinet Member said he would provide details of the highways infrastructure implications to Mr Oxlade.

A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place

Cabinet Member for Fire & Rescue and Communities

The Cabinet Member answered a question from Mr Boram and Mr S J Oakley on dealing with fires in vehicles with alternative fuel sources.

In response to a question from Mr Oakley about whether an assessment had been made by the Fire & Rescue Service of the additional equipment or training required to deal with fires involving electric vehicles or vehicles with alternative fuel sources, the Cabinet Member said he would respond to Mr Oakley.

Cabinet Member for Environment

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters.

Food waste collection pilot, from Mr Barrett-Miles.

Disposal of electric vehicle batteries, from Mr Fitzjohn.

Independence in Later Life

Cabinet Member for Adults and Health

The Cabinet Member answered a question about the extension of the Blue Badge scheme to people with hidden disabilities, from Mr Quinn.

In response to a question from Mr Quinn about whether it had been necessary to provide additional parking bays, the Cabinet agreed to respond to him.

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Leader

The Leader answered questions on written question 1 from Mr Jones and Dr Walsh.