
Question Time: 13 October 2023

Members asked questions of members of the Cabinet. In instances where a Cabinet Member or the Leader undertook to take follow-up action, this is noted.

Leader

The Leader answered questions on the following matters:

Local Enterprise Partnership from Cllr Duncton, Cllr Elkins, Cllr Kerry-Bedell and Cllr Mercer.

In relation to a question from Cllr Cornell about Home Office data (Crime Outcomes in England and Wales 2022 to 2023), why the percentage of reported crime was so low and what representations the Council had made to the Police and Crime Commissioner on this subject, the Leader undertook to refer this matter to the Cabinet Member for Community Support, Fire and Rescue and ask him to respond.

Cabinet Member for Adults Services

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Market Sustainability Improvement Fund from Cllr Albury and Cllr Pudaloff.

CQC Assurance self-assessment from Cllr Wall.

Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Learning and Skills

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

School Place Planning from Cllr Gibson.

Woodlands Meed School from Cllr Hillier and Cllr Lord.

Bedelands Academy from Cllr Cherry and Cllr Lord.

Secondary school places in Adur from Cllr Baxter, Cllr Boram and Cllr Smith.

Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Think Before You Throw recycling videos from Cllr Greenway, Cllr Patel and Cllr Pudaloff.

Cabinet Member for Finance and Property

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Medium Term Financial Strategy from Cllr Baxter, Cllr Burrett and Cllr Kerry-Bedell.

Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Carriageway dressing, from Cllr Lord.

In response to a request Lord for when repair work would be undertaken to a road in her division (Keymer Road, Hassocks) and an explanation for the poor condition following resurfacing, the Cabinet Member agreed to look into the matter and provide an explanation for the specific problem and how it would be avoided in future.

School Streets Trials, from Cllrs Boram and Greenway.

Active travel, from Cllr Condie, Cllr Kerry-Bedell, Cllr Oakley, Cllr Quinn and Cllr Walsh.

In response to a question from Cllr Walsh about overgrown vegetation on cycle ways and footpaths, the Cabinet Member agreed to advise him what measures would be taken in relation to Council-owned or controlled land, before next summer.

The Cabinet Member also agreed to respond to Cllr Oakley about the County Council's management of hedges abutting the highway.

Southern Rail's West Coastway consultation, from Cllr N Dennis and Cllr Oakley.

In response to a request from Cllr Dennis, the Cabinet Member undertook to include the County Council's consultation response in the members' Bulletin.

EV Chargepoints, from Cllr Forbes, Cllr N Jupp, Cllr Kerry-Bedell, Cllr McKnight and Cllr Walsh.

Highways winter maintenance, from Cllr Greenway and Cllr McKnight.

In relation to winter maintenance in response to a request from Cllr McKnight about the resurfacing of Tarring Road, Worthing, the Cabinet Member agreed to advise him about the timescale for the works.

Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing

The Cabinet Member answered questions smoking cessation, from Cllr McGregor and Cllr McKnight

Cabinet Member for Support Services and Economic Development

The Cabinet Member answered a question about the BEACH project, from Cllr Atkins.