
Question Time: 15 December 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:

Publication of responses from the Government to letters sent as a result of motions agreed at full Council, from Cllr Oxlade.

In response to a request for the responses to be made publicly available via the website, the Leader said he would arrange for that to be done.

Visitor economy, from Cllr N Dennis, Cllr Lord and Cllr Payne.

Water Summit, from Cllr Kerry-Bedell, Cllr Montyn and Cllr Walsh.

Cabinet Member for Adults Services

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Social care workers from overseas, from Cllr O'Kelly.

Temporary closure of Zachery Merton Hospital, Rustington, from Cllr Cooper and Cllr Walsh.

In response to a question from Cllr Cooper the Cabinet Member agreed to let her know when further information is available.

Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Learning and Skills

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Schools in Burgess Hill, from Cllr Cherry, Cllr Condie and Cllr Lord.

Insourcing of Child and Adolescent Multi-Disciplinary Service, from Cllr Burgess and Cllr Mercer.

Sir Robert Woodard Academy additional places, from Cllr Boram and Cllr McGregor.

Cabinet Member for Community Support, Fire and Rescue

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Community Hub, from Cllr Greenway and Cllr Johnson.

Trading Standards and Public Health initiative to combat the sale of illegal vapes and tobacco products, from Cllr Ali, Cllr Britton, Cllr Greenway and Cllr Lord.

In response to a comment from Cllr Ali that the Trading Standards online reporting tool is not very user friendly, the Cabinet Member agreed to have a look at the tool and provide feedback.

Household Support Fund, from Cllr Baxter.

Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Flooding, from Cllr Greenway.

Motion for the ocean, from Cllr Condie, Cllr Kerry-Bedell and Cllr Lord.

Cabinet Member for Finance and Property

The Cabinet Member answered questions on Durban House and the impact of flooding, from Cllr Oppler.

Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

The Cabinet Member answered questions on the following matters:

Flooding, from Cllr Greenway.

Bus Service Improvement Programme, from Cllr Ali, Cllr Duncton, Cllr Kerry-Bedell and Cllr Oakley.

Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing

The Cabinet Member answered questions the government consultation on a smokefree generation, from Cllr Ali and Cllr Lord

In response to a request from Cllr Ali the Cabinet Member agreed to circulate to all members a summary of the Council's consultation response.

Cabinet Member for Support Services and Economic Development

The Cabinet Member answered questions about the Smartcore programme, from Cllr Kerry-Bedell and Cllr Sparkes.