

# **Council Meeting**

18 September 2007

**Booklet 1** 

Questions

1. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Nelllist

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Foster

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Would Cllr Foster consider the appointment of an Ecologist at Senior Officer level given the increased DEFRA requirements regarding bio-diversity and other issues and the effect on the environment of increased development in all parts of the city?

2. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Noonan

## **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Would the Cabinet member look into reports that Kilo 2, the Council's noise monitoring service is increasingly unable to send out staff to measure noise on occasions due to staff shortages and sickness and what measures are being taken to remedy this?

3. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor O'Neill

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Would the Cabinet Member consider ensuring that at least two council tax counters workers or advisors are either on site or available on Saturday mornings given the level of inquiries re council tax payment by working members of the public that are currently having to be dealt with by our security and reception team on Saturdays without access to council tax payers individual details.

4. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Nellist

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Taylor

#### **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Would Cllr Taylor Explain what action has been taken regarding motions at the June council meeting that committed council to calling for a review of the "Market Freedom" components of the Postal Services Act and the commitment to campaign to ensure that Jaguar remains in the City?

5. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Nellist

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Matchet

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Would Cllr Matchet explain what positive action has been taken to assist WATCH (Working Actively To Change Hillfields) since members of this community based organisation expressed deep concern regarding the fallout of various funding streams especially given the tremendous work done by this Agency that has been used by the city council to put Coventry on the map and which has developed the Council's ability to seek funding for other projects in the city?

6. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Clifford

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Could Cllr Clifford explain his last answer to members re my question about health services on the city centre hospital site in plain English. The people of the city were consulted by the PCT on an enhanced city centre health facility given the loss of our city centre hospital. Are they to get what they wanted, yes or no and what factors influence the decision?

7. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Noonan

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Given the amount of fly tipping in the city would the Cabinet member increase the budget for free skips in the city in the next PPR so that local residents and other groups can engage in community clear-ups?

8. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Noonan

# **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Could the cabinet member explain what ongoing measures are being taken to assist the Highways section of City Services in dealing with the massive number on inquiries that they receive regarding highways and safety issues and residents parking issues as well as disability issues. This departments staff needs to be considerably increased in order to give timely responses to inquiries and effective follow up?

9. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Windsor

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor Ahmed

#### **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Will the Cabinet member recognise that early onset Alzheimers disease is an issue in the city and what steps that he intends to take in terms of more appropriate short and long term accommodation and support for early onset Alzheimers sufferers given that the current provision is mainly geared towards older people. Younger people need much more stimulating surroundings based on maintaining their capacity to remain independent.

10. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Kelly

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor O'Neill

## **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

Can the Cabinet Member tell me what contracts De Courcey have with the council?

11. QUESTION SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Kelly

TO BE ANSWERED BY: Councillor O'Neill

#### **TEXT OF QUESTION:**

What involvement or influence does the cabinet member have in handing contracts to bus companies to any of the partners who operate out of the Ricoh Arena site and can he name the companies involved?