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QUESTION TIME

Question 1 – Street Lighting Engineers

1. Mr P M McDonald will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways:

"Would the Cabinet Member for Highways please inform me of the number of street lighting engineers employed by the County."

Question 2 – Unpaid Internships

2. Mr P M McDonald will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Transformation and Commissioning:

"Would the Cabinet Member for Transformation and Commissioning please inform me of the number of unpaid internships within the County Council."

Question 3 – Developer responsibilities associated with road closures

3. Mr R C Lunn will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways:

"Does the Cabinet Member agree with me that legislation should be enacted to enable County Councils to fine Developers for unreasonable overrunning of Section 278 works which keeps roads closed unnecessarily? Does he also agree that this would have eased the inconvenience and annoyance felt by people in and around Church Road, Webheath, who have had to endure a road closure of over 5 months when they were promised 3? Does he agree that Developers have a responsibility and a duty to get roads open promptly and safely?"

Question 4 – Compensation claims for road closures

4. Mr R C Lunn will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways:

"Does the Cabinet Member agree that if Developers keep roads closed longer than can be justified for Section 278 works, then members of the public who can prove they have been continually inconvenienced should be allowed to claim reasonable compensation from the responsible developer?"

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) there are no background papers relating to the subject matter of this report.