

COUNCIL
12 SEPTEMBER 2019**QUESTION TIME**

Question 1 – Archives Member Advisory Group

1. Mr T Baker-Price will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Communities:

"Could the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Communities please update this Council on the progress of the members advisory group for archives?"

Question 2 – Stationary vehicles with engines running in Upton-upon-Severn

2. Mr P Middlebrough will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Environment:

"At Upton upon Severn Town Council meeting on 20 July, Town Council members expressed concern at the number of vehicles running their engines when stationary in the town and even when offloading material at the recycling centre in Hanley Road carpark, on the grounds that it produces unnecessary carbon emissions.

In the spirit of this council's pledge made this May, to work with partners across the county, such as town and parish councils to make Worcestershire County Council in all areas where it is directly responsible, carbon neutral by 2050, will the Cabinet Member heed these important suggestions by:

- Introducing signs at recycling centres asking drivers to switch off their engines when offloading
- Consider signage along the main streets in Upton upon Severn asking drivers to switch off their engines when stationary, as a forerunner to schemes elsewhere in the county."

Question 3 – Recycled materials

3. Mrs F M Oborski will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Environment:

"Could the relevant Cabinet Member inform me what steps the County Council takes to ensure that all recycled materials received by the Council and the companies who receive these materials "further down the line":

1. treat all such products in an ecologically and environmentally appropriate manner; and
2. avoid export of these products to 3rd World Countries?"

Question 4 – MMR Vaccine

4. Mr A D Kent will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being:

"The MMR vaccine is a combined vaccine which prevents against Measles Mumps and Rubella diseases.

Many parents have stopped their children being vaccinated with MMR which has seen a significant and dangerous increase in mumps and measles cases in England.

Can I ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-Being what steps can be taken in Worcestershire to ensure all those who have not been vaccinated receive information on how to access the vaccine and the clear benefits?"

Question 5 – Road resurfacing

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

"Can the Cabinet Member with Responsibility explain why Gloucestershire County Council require a higher quality of tar from Ringway than we do to resurface the county's roads?"

Question 6 – Ship-naming

6. Mr R M Udall will ask the Leader of the Council:

"The Leader will be aware that the Ministry of Defence have commissioned five new Type 31 Frigates. Worcester has a proud tradition of supporting the Royal Navy, the first HMS Worcester was launched in 1651. Others were launched in 1698, 1735, 1769, 1843 and 1919. The last HMS Worcester was decommissioned in 1945. Will he use his influence with county members of parliament and the Ministry of Defence in order to campaign for one of the new frigates to be named HMS Worcester?"

Question 7 – Brexit

7. Mrs F M Oborski will ask the Leader of the Council:

"Every Local Authority has been required to appoint a Brexit Lead. Could the Leader tell me:

1. The name of the County Council Brexit Lead; and
2. Given that University of Birmingham estimates that 25,000 jobs in Worcestershire are at direct risk from a No Deal Brexit can the Leader tell me

what advice this Council is giving to local employers whose businesses and employees may now be at risk?"

Question 8 – Residents Parking Schemes

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

"Does the Cabinet Member with Responsibility agree with me that an 80% yes vote by those voting on top of 50% +1 of all available houses being in favour, makes it unrealistically difficult for any road to implement a residents parking scheme?

Surely the 50% plus 1 house and a simple majority of those voting should be enough? Will he recommend revising the policy?"

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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.