

COUNCIL
19 MAY 2022

QUESTION TIME

Question 1 – Bromsgrove High Street

1. Cllr Josh Robinson will ask the Leader of the Council:

"Does Worcestershire County Council have pride in Bromsgrove High Street and the wider town centre?"

Question 2 – Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Tribunals

2. Cllr Dan Boatright will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education:

"Please can you inform me of how many (if any) judicial review proceedings (which relate to SEND or education matters more generally) Worcestershire County Council have been involved in each year for the past 5 years. Please indicate for each case, a brief outline of the matter and what the outcome was. Please indicate for each case the legal costs involved - internal legal costs plus any external legal costs."

Question 3 – Bus services in Worcestershire

3. Cllr Natalie McVey will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport:

"One in ten car journeys made today needs to be made by bus by 2030 if the UK is to remain on track for its net-zero goals, according to the independent Climate Change Committee.

Given the catastrophic failure of Worcestershire County Council to attract any government funding for bus travel in Worcestershire (notably along with other Shire Counties, as the government drastically diminished the total funding pot from £3bn to £1.2bn) can the Cabinet Member enlighten us as to what the 'Bus Back Better Plan B' for our county is?"

Question 4 – Malvern Hills College

4. Cllr Beverley Nielsen will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy and Skills:

"Recognising the support which the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy and Skills has provided the proposed bid to revive Malvern Hills College as an essential skills and training facility in Malvern Hills, when will the County Council consider this bid for support for the College's revival and could the Cabinet Member explain, more fully, the process for this support?"

Question 5 – Work on the A4440 Link Road

5. Cllr Matt Jenkins will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport:

"With the Three Counties Show and other major events taking place in Malvern Hills this summer what is Worcestershire County Council doing to assist the free flow of traffic this year? Could some explanation be given regarding delays to the A4440 link road works? Why is this taking so long?"

Question 6 – A4104, A38 and the Upton-upon-Severn Roundabout

6. Cllr Martin Allen will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport:

"During the last few weeks there have been a welcome influx of visitors into Upton for the marvellous folk festival and the following weekend to the equally popular Three Counties Show Ground. I would like to thank Cllr Amos and his staff for attempting to mitigate the worse of the traffic delays many experienced when visiting our county. Although delays are inevitable, would it not have been better to delay the start of the Upton roundabout until the Ketch roundabout had been completed?"

Question 7 – Street lighting repairs

7. Cllr Lynn Denham will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport:

"How many faulty street light repairs are still unresolved after six weeks since being first reported, data for last 4 years please?"

Question 8 – Availability of emergency contraception in Worcester

8. Cllr Richard Udall will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being:

"Can the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Health and Well-being comment upon the availability of emergency contraception in Worcester, especially at weekends and on Bank Holidays. What advice would she provide to individuals who cannot afford the cost of the private prescription of the Morning After Pill?"

Question 9 – A38 Bromsgrove Route Enhancement Programme (BREP)

9. Cllr Josh Robinson will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport:

"Can we have an update on the A38 BREP scheme?"

Contact Points

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance) there are no background papers relating to the subject matter of this report.