

# COUNCIL 12 NOVEMBER 2015

## **QUESTION TIME**

## Question 1 - Information given to the Press

1. Ms P Agar will ask the Leader of the Council:

"Would the Leader of the Council please inform me of the action he has taken regarding the leaking to the press from this Council about the suspension of Highways officers in relation to the Ketch Island?"

#### Question 2 - Local Bus Services

2. Ms P Agar will ask the Leader of the Council:

"Cornwall is to have powers for franchising and improving local bus services. Is Worcestershire likely to receive similar powers?"

# Question 3 – Asbestos in buildings

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

"Would the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Transformation and Commissioning please inform me how many buildings owned and those run by the County Council have asbestos in them?"

#### **Question 4 - Redundancies**

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

"Would the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Transformation and Commissioning please inform me how many redundancies have taken place over the last four years?"

## **Question 5 – Staff Transfers**

5. Mrs M Rayner will ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Transformation and Commissioning:

"Would the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Transformation and Commissioning please tell me how it is that staff who have been transferred to another organisation, and then according to the press discovered that they do not

have employment, what exactly are the terms and conditions of these types of transfers, and why has this apparently occurred?"

## **Question 6 – Street Lighting**

6. Dr K A Pollock ask the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways:

"In view of the recent decision of Harlow Council, with the agreement of Essex County Council, to levy money from all its Council Tax payers to pay for the reestablishment of all night illumination of their streets, would the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways like to comment on the reality of the situation about safety, both for pedestrians and drivers, compared with the perception of safety, as expressed by the some residents, and further would he like to reassert that we would do better to seek to align perceptions with reality, rather than feed the unwarranted fears of some residents, by giving in to those who want all street lighting to be maintained throughout the night?"

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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.