

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

8.1 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR GARDNER TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH & HOUSING – COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE

In view of the declining amount of affordable decent housing for Hillingdon residents across the whole Borough, will the Cabinet Member responsible put 'residents first' and support the National Housing Federation's "Yestohomes campaign" for more council housing and in doing so agree to examine the possibilities of providing affordable decent housing across the whole borough, in a housing programme that will secure affordable decent homes for Hillingdon residents and their families and give the council a financial return on its investment and provide jobs and training for its unemployed residents?

8.2 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DUNCAN TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, PROPERTY AND BUSINESS SERVICES – COUNCILLOR BIANCO

In view of the high costs of consultants employed by the Council, particularly during the past two years, can we see a breakdown of the financial justification for these high costs, especially when the improvements made are often the result of existing managers' suggestions, which could be listened to at no cost?

8.3 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR BLISS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES – COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS

Can the Cabinet Member for Education tell us what provision for secondary education is being made for the increased intake of children now being accommodated in expanded primary schools, particularly in the south of the borough where the major increase has occurred and where more high density family housing is being built and proposed, placing further pressure on education places?

8.4 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR ALLEN TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH & HOUSING – COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE

Can the Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Housing update the Council about how things are progressing with Recommendation 1 from the Council's Dementia Working Group report? This is concerned with dementia and the memory clinic.

For clarification – Recommendation 1, as adopted by Cabinet in April 2012, is set out below:

To ensure timely assessment, diagnosis and treatment of dementia, Cabinet requests that NHS Hillingdon and the Local Clinical Commissioning Group be asked to explore the expansion of memory clinic services in Hillingdon and that this be

done on a multi-disciplinary, multi-agency basis, reporting back to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

8.5 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DHILLON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR IMPROVEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY SAFETY – COUNCILLOR D.MILLS

Could the Cabinet Member please inform Council if the current performance levels (calls answered / abandoned / customer satisfaction) of the contact centre have increased or decreased whilst outsourcing via consultants is explored?