

## QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

### **8.1 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR CROWE TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES - COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS**

Can the Cabinet Member tell me the extent to which places in Hillingdon schools are, as a consequence of the Greenwich Judgement and lack of places elsewhere, taken by students from other local authorities and the extent to which we are able to recoup the costs, both current and capital, of making this provision?

### **8.2 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DAVIS TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT**

Now that the Davies Commission has delivered its report to the Government, what course of action does the Council intend to take?

### **8.3 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR GILHAM TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT**

I have heard a rumour that the West Drayton Ward has been disadvantaged as regards expenditure on road resurfacing. From my own ward work and observations, I find this very hard to believe. Would the Leader of the Council please provide Council with the actual facts and figures?

### **8.4 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DUDUCU TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES - COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS**

Can the Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services tell us the financial contributions made by key partners including police, NHS bodies, and schools to the work of the Local Safeguarding Children Board?

### **8.5 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DILLON TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT**

Could the Leader confirm for the benefit of doubt to residents, that elected Members are duty bound by the constitution to represent constituents of the borough irrespective of gender, religion, sexual orientation and their political allegiance?

### **8.6 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HOUSING - COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE**

Would the Cabinet Member explain how Adult Social Care in Hillingdon performs in relation to delayed hospital discharges ?

**8.7 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR BARNES TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HOUSING - COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE**

Would the Cabinet Member please update Council on progress to maximise the availability of all forms of accommodation, the actions to make sure we make the best possible use of Council housing stock, and the work to drive up standards in the private rented sector?

**8.8 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR EGINTON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES - COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS**

Can the Cabinet Member provide details of proposed changes to the Scheme for Financing Schools so as to provide certainty for schools regarding the costs of redundancy?

**8.9 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR MORSE TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HOUSING - COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE**

For the past five financial years, what is the monthly cost of placing families and individuals in bed and breakfast accommodation inside the Borough and outside with the costs being identified for the different placements? These are people for whom we have accepted a duty to accommodate under Sections 188, 190, 193 or 200 of the Housing Act 1996.

**8.10 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR MONEY TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY, COMMERCE AND REGENERATION – COUNCILLOR D.MILLS**

The Information Centre at Cranford Countryside Park has been closed since it was damaged by fire on 22 September 2014. Its extended closure, and particularly the loss of the disabled toilet it contains, is causing hardship for the volunteers of the park Friends Group and all park users, who have no alternative facility nearby. The derelict state of the building has created an eyesore and one which is an invitation to further vandalism. As a result the Friends Group volunteers, who have been working with the council to improve the park, currently have only rudimentary toilet and hand-washing facilities and no indoor facility. Can the Cabinet Member give an indication as to when restoration of the information will begin reassuring the community that it will be completed before the start of the bad weather in Autumn?

**8.11 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR KHURSHEED TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL - COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT**

On 9 September 2015, HM Queen Elizabeth the Second will be Britain's longest reigning monarch. Does the Council have any plans to commemorate this important milestone?

**8.12 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR KHATRA TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HOUSING - COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE**

Could the Cabinet Member please tell us how much money has Hillingdon Council paid to private sector landlords as a cash incentive to take homeless households during the 2014/15 financial year?

**8.13 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR OSWELL TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, PROPERTY AND BUSINESS SERVICES – COUNCILLOR BIANCO**

Could the Cabinet Member for the above explore the possibility of providing a Portaloo or 'French Toilet' in Charville Lane for Bus Drivers to use on turnaround?

**8.14 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR SWEETING TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES - COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS**

Based on Ofsted's report of December 2014, the proportion of Hillingdon pre-school children meeting target development levels is the lowest of any of the 33 London boroughs at 52%. What progress has the Council made over the last 6 months in improving the statistic?

**8.15 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR BURLES TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES - COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS**

Over a quarter of children attending Hillingdon Primary Schools are in schools which have been assessed by Ofsted as 'in need of improvement'. Can you please describe the ways in which the Council is supporting and working with these schools in order that the more than 7,000 children in them are given the education they need and deserve?