



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

30th JUNE 2021

MEMBERS QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & COMMUNICATION.

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To present the order of questions in respect of the Members Questions on Notice, following the amendment to the process agreed at the [Council AGM 2019](#).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members:

- 2.1 Receive the Questions and any supplementary questions proposed, as in accordance with the running order advised upon in 4.3 of the report, which should not exceed a 20-minute time period.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 As agreed at the Council AGM on the 15th May, 2019, Members agreed to amend Council Procedure Rule 9.2 in respect of Members Questions on Notice. A further amendment was made to Council Procedure Rule 9.2 at the Council AGM on the 26th May 2021 in respect of supplementary questions following expiry of the 20 minute time duration. [Council AGM 2021](#)

4. MEMBERS QUESTION ON NOTICE

- 4.1 The closing date for receipt of Members Questions on Notice to the Council Business Unit for the 30th June 2021 Council meeting was 5pm on the 17th June 2021.
- 4.2 18 questions were received and put forward to the Council Ballot held on the 21st June 2021, to determine the running order of the questions at the Council Meeting.
- 4.3 The results of the ballot are outlined below:-

Number	Corresponding Question
1	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor G. Caple to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Can the Council Leader give an update on the progress of the Porth Interchange scheme?”</p>
2	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor W. Lewis to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Can the Leader please provide an update on the work to progress the Section 19 reports into the flooding of February 2019?”</p>
3	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor R. Yeo to the Cabinet Member for Adult Community Services and the Welsh Language, County Borough Councillor G. Hopkins:</p> <p>“Will the Cabinet Member please make a statement on visiting arrangements at care homes across the County?”</p>
4	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor G. Thomas to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Will the Leader please update on whether there are any planned programmes to address the ongoing flooding issue on Rhigos Road”.</p>
5	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor S Trask to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services, County Borough Councillor A. Crimmings:</p> <p>“Would the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services make a statement on the councils biodiversity strategy as a part of it’s green agenda”</p>
6	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor E Webster to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“What happens when a river wall is in danger of collapse, but there is no identifiable owner?”</p>

7	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor P Jarman to the Cabinet Member for Adult Community Services and the Welsh Language, County Borough Councillor G. Hopkins:</p> <p>“Does the Council have Intergenerational Policies?”</p>
8	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor M Powell to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>"Would the Cabinet Member say what RCTCBC is and has done to remove "rat runs" through residential areas to reduce the environmental damage and increase road safety to residents?"</p>
9	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor S Belzak to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Will the leader make a statement on the Inquiry and Report of the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee of the House of Commons dated April 2021 and its highlighting of historical injustices inflicted on the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme, and the Committee's conclusions and recommendations?”</p>
10	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Bradwick to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Can the Leader of the Council provide an update on the progress of flood alleviation scheme bids for the forthcoming year please?”</p>
11	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor S. M. Powell to the Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities, Wellbeing and Cultural Services, County Borough Councillor R. Lewis:</p> <p>“How is this Council progressing plans for the introduction of Electric Charge Points throughout Rhondda Cynon Taf?”</p>

12	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor L Walker to the Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, County Borough Councillor M Norris:</p> <p>“Could the Cabinet Member inform me why the council have just authorised the purchase of a house on the Willowford Road, Tonteg for the total sum of 650k“</p>
13	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor J. Brencher to the Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities, Wellbeing and Cultural Services, County Borough Councillor R. Lewis:</p> <p>“Will the Cabinet Member please provide an progress update on the Muni in Pontypridd?”</p>
14	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor L Hooper to the Cabinet Member for Education & Inclusion Services, County Borough Councillor J Rosser:</p> <p>“Can the Cabinet Member please provide an update on how the project to install a modular building at Gwauncelyn Primary School to enhance its childcare and nursery provision is progressing?”</p>
15	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Morgans to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services, County Borough Councillor A. Crimmings:</p> <p>“Will the Cabinet Member please make a statement on recycling in Rhondda Cynon Taf?”</p>
16	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor J. Elliott to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A Morgan:</p> <p>“Can the Council Leader please provide an update on the various flood schemes planned and ongoing across RCT, including for the Cwmbach ward?”</p>
17	<p>Question from County Borough Councillor R. Williams to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</p> <p>“Will the Leader outline this Councils plans to develop an Integrated Transport Network across the County Borough?”</p>

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Question from County Borough Councillor D. Owen-Jones to the Deputy Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor M. Webber:

“Can the Deputy Leader please notify Members whether this Council has received any correspondence regarding the Boundary changes proposed as part of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales’ exercise for Local Authorities in Wales?”

- 4.4 At the Council meeting a maximum of 20 minutes shall be allowed for Questions on Notice. Any questions that are not dealt with in this time limit shall fall. Any questions on notice not answered will need to be resubmitted to the Proper Officer for the next full Council meeting in accordance with these rules.

5. CONSULTATION / INVOLVEMENT

- 5.1 The amendment to the Council Procedure Rule in respect of Members Questions was considered and agreed at the Council’s AGM 2019 and AGM 2021, following consultation with the Constitution Committee.

6. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The amendment to the Council procedure rule taken forward at the Council AGM, allows the opportunity for more Members to ask a question at Council

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

- 8.1 The report has been prepared in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.2.

9. LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.

- 9.1 The opportunity for Members to propose questions at Council meetings allows Members to receive information which potentially detail the Council priorities. It also embraces the Future Generations Act as all work and decisions taken by Council seek to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of the County Borough.

10. CONCLUSION

- 10.1 Detailing the procedure for Members Questions on Notice assists in transparency for both Members and for public engagement.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee – Overview & Scrutiny Committee

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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Background Papers

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