



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL**

**9 MARCH 2022**

**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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 Council meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 was 5pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022.
- 4.2 Twenty-three questions were received and put forward to the Council Ballot held on the 1st March 2022, 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><b>Question from County Borough Councillor G. Holmes to the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services, County Borough Councillor G. Caple:</b></p> <p>“Could the Cabinet Member please make a statement on delayed discharges from hospital and outline what work the Council is undertaking to assist with this?”</p>
2	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor R. Yeo to the Cabinet Member for Education &amp; Inclusion Services, County Borough Councillor J. Bonetto:</b></p> <p>“How is the Council progressing investment into Bryn Celynnog Comprehensive, and a new sixth form centre of excellence?”</p>
3	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor J. Barton to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“What action can the Council take to improve road safety and reduce speeding traffic in local communities?”</p>
4	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor W. Lewis to the Cabinet Member for Corporate &amp; Digital Services, County Borough Councillor M Norris:</b></p> <p>“Will the Cabinet provide an update on the roll-out of wi-fi across the key town centres of Rhondda Cynon Taf”</p>
5	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Pickering to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services, County Borough Councillor A. Crimmings:</b></p> <p>“Can the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services please provide an update on the further works due to start in Ynysangharad Park?”</p>
6	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. M. Powell to the Cabinet Member for Education &amp; Inclusion Services, County Borough Councillor J Bonetto:</b></p>

	<p>“How is this Council progressing plans for a new primary school for the pupils of Tonysguboriau?”</p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Bradwick to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></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>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor M Powell to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“Would Cllr. Morgan consider upwards of 5 years a long enough time for RCTCBC to devise and implement, with a policy that includes business permits, an extension to the existing residential parking permit area in the Trallwn Ward?”</p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor L. M. Adams to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“Will the Leader provide an update on additional funding promised to Wales by the UK Government to support families to afford the rising cost of energy?”</p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor D. Owen-Jones to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“What implications does the recent Welsh Government announcement to pause major roadbuilding schemes in Wales have for Rhondda Cynon Taf?”</p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor J. Elliott to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></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>

12	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Rees to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“Will the Leader please make a statement on the Council’s budget planning ahead of the next financial year?”</p>
13	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor M. Forey to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“How is the Council supporting the enforcement of Alert Level Zero public health measures?”</p>
14	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor J. Brencher to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>“Will the Leader make a statement on how the Council proposes to build upon the regeneration of Pontypridd already taking place?”</p>
15	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor A. Roberts to the Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities, Wellbeing and Cultural Services, County Borough Councillor R. R. Lewis:</b></p> <p>“Will the Cabinet Member please make a statement on the Council’s work with Voluntary and Third Sector organisations in Rhondda Cynon Taf?”</p>
16	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor G. P. Thomas to the Cabinet Member for Enterprise &amp; Development &amp; Housing, County Borough Councillor D. R. Bevan:</b></p> <p>“Will the Cabinet member outline how the Council is seeking to capitalise on the Zip World attraction, to ensure the north of our county borough grows as a tourism destination?”</p>
17	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Morgans to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure and Heritage Services, County Borough Councillor A. Crimmings:</b></p>

	<p>"Will the Cabinet Member make a statement on the Council's investment in outdoor leisure facilities"</p>
18	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor R. Williams to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>"How is the Council working to support recruitment and retention to important social care roles?"</p>
19	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor A. S. Fox to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:</b></p> <p>"Can the Council Leader provide an update on investment to future-proof bridges and other critical infrastructure in our County Borough?"</p>
20	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor S. Evans to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure &amp; Heritage Services Councillor A Crimmings:</b></p> <p>"Please could the Council outline what it is doing in tackling the amount of dog mess being left on our pavements despite there being more bins than ever for the public to use"</p>
21	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor D. Williams to the Cabinet Member for Education &amp; Inclusion Services, County Borough Councillor J. Bonetto:</b></p> <p>"How has the Council supported and protected School's budgets over the last five-years?"</p>
22	<p><b>Question from County Borough Councillor G. Stacey to the Cabinet Member for Education &amp; Inclusion Services, County Borough Councillor J Bonetto:</b></p> <p>"How is the Council progress plans for a new primary school in Llantwit Fardre?"</p>

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**Question from County Borough Councillor M. Griffiths to the Leader of the Council, County Borough Councillor A. Morgan:**

“Can the leader update Council in respect of his discussions with UK Government Minister’s upon their ‘Levelling Up’ agenda?”

- 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 amendments 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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