

QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL

(1) Submitted by Councillor Andrew Parkhurst

Mold Ornamental Gardens Public Spaces Protection Order

Would the Cabinet member for Planning, Public Health and Public Protection please advise members whether he had read the legal advice before informing the meeting of Full Council held on 22nd July 2024 that there was no flaw in the decision to grant the Order to ban dogs completely from the Gardens, and therefore no need to reconsider the Order?

(2) Submitted by Councillor Alasdair Ibbotson

School Transport

Will the Cabinet Member for Streetscene commission a redraft of the school transport policy, so as to end the division of contiguous communities by eligibility?

(3) Submitted by Councillor Alasdair Ibbotson

Obligations of Cabinet Members

Will the Leader of the Council confirm whether he expects cabinet members to have read and checked papers published with themselves listed as the responsible cabinet member prior to the relevant items being discussed at cabinet or committees?

(4) Submitted by Councillor Sam Swash

Question to the Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Will the Cabinet Member for Streetscene & Transportation publish the new policy and means by which qualifying disabled residents can access household recycling centres in vehicles which would otherwise not be permitted, following the department's acceptance of Flintshire People's Voice's argument that the administration's existing policy is inconsistent with the Council's obligations under the Equality Act 2010?

(5) Submitted by Councillor Carolyn Preece

Music in schools

Will the Cabinet Member for education make a statement on the withdrawal of music as an option for GCSE or A-level in some of Flintshire's schools, and set out the Cabinet's position on this?

(6) Submitted by Councillor Gillian Brockley

LDP adoption date

By what date does the Cabinet Member for Planning and Public Protection presently expect the council's replacement Local Development Plan, for the period after 2030, to be ready for submission to the inspector?

(7) Submitted by Councillor Coggins Cogan

Question to the Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation:

How much did the Council spend on acquiring the vehicles previously supplied by Go Fleet; and why has that cost not been revealed to Members before?

(8) Submitted by Councillor Coggins Cogan

Question to the Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation:

On 16th July this year, during the Environment and Economy scrutiny debate on reduced black bin collections, you said 'It's proven to be very, very unpopular with the residents. We're here to fight against this for the residents of Flintshire...'. Are you going to honour that pledge to fight for residents by announcing the abandonment of three-weekly bin collections?

(9) Submitted by Councillor Coggins Cogan

Question to the Cabinet Member for the Economy, Environment, and Climate:

Can the Cabinet Member confirm the amount of money sent to the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee since its inception in April 2021 and assess its direct impact in making the lives of Flintshire's residents better?

(10) Submitted by Councillor Sam Swash

Question to the Cabinet Member for Transformation & Assets

Will the Cabinet Member for Transformation & Assets set out the Cabinet's preferred option for the future of the County Hall campus?

(11) Submitted by Councillor Carolyn Preece

Question to the Cabinet Member for Finance & Social Value from Cllr. Preece

Will the Cabinet Member for Finance and Social Value outline what the in-year budget pressure is of running services currently provided by Aura through a Local Authority Trading Company (LATC), and the cost of moving to an LATC, in financial years 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 compared with payments to Aura in financial year 2023/2023?

(12) Submitted by Councillor Sam Swash

Question to the Leader of the Council

At the last meeting of Full Council, the Leader of the Council made the claim that this Council is "staring down the barrel" of bankruptcy. Does the Leader of the Council still hold this belief, and if so, does he have a plan to stop it?

(13) Submitted by Councillor Alasdair Ibbotson

Question to the Cabinet Member for Transformation & Assets

Will the Cabinet Member for Transformation and Assets commit to no compulsory redundancies as part of any transformation programme?

(14) Submitted by Councillor Alasdair Ibbotson

Question to the Cabinet Member for Streetscene & Transportation

On July 23rd this year, the now Cabinet Member for Streetscene & Transportation, posting on his Facebook page in relation to the decision to reduce bin collections, stated: "Cabinet have today decided to ride roughshod over the democratic process. Flintshire Welsh Labour are clearly not listening to residents or indeed their own communities." In light of that, will the Cabinet Member for Streetscene & Transportation commit to listening to residents and communities and reverse the decision to reduce bin collections, a decision which now sits within his own portfolio?