


<p>Non-Executive Report of the:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">30 September 2020</p>	
<p>Report of: Asmat Hussain, Corporate Director, Governance</p>	<p>Classification: Unrestricted</p>
<p>Written Member Questions</p>	

Originating Officer(s)	Matthew Mannion, Head of Democratic Services
Wards affected	All wards

SUMMARY

Set out overleaf are the questions that were submitted by Members of the Council. Written responses will be provided to these questions.

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

12 questions have been received from Members of the Council as follows:-

17.1 Question from Councillor Leema Qureshi

Can the cabinet member please provide an update on Test and Trace in the borough?

17.2 Question from Councillor Peter Golds

Having cancelled Oktoberfest in Millwall Park this year due to the damage caused last year to the grass playing surface, will the Mayor confirm that following the evidence of violence, disorder and anti social behaviour at last years event from the Met Police, he will not be hiring out Millwall Park to Oktoberfest in future years?

17.3 Question from Councillor Dipa Das

Could the cabinet member update members on the recently launched Tower Hamlets Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Inequalities Commission?

17.4 Question from Councillor Andrew Wood

What future (if any) do St Georges and Tiller road leisure centres have?

17.5 Question from Councillor Val Whitehead

What support has been made available to vulnerable residents throughout the Covid-19 pandemic?

17.6 Question from Councillor Rajib Ahmed

What is the council's best estimate of the economic impact of Covid-19 on the borough, both in terms of the impact on the council's finances and the local economy generally?

17.7 Question from Councillor Gabriela Salva Macallan

Will the Mayor reconsider the implementation of the Tower Rewards scheme in light of the strength of opposition from residents, workers and UNISON, as well as the growing national concern around the use of Section 188?

17.8 Question from Councillor Marc Francis

Will the Lead Member for Public Realm Services provide an update on the Mayor's review of the Car Free Zone policy, including dates of the working group's meetings in the past 12 months and an indication when proposals for reform are likely to be brought forward?

17.9 Question from Councillor Kahar Chowdhury

What support has been provided to homeless individuals and families since the beginning of the pandemic and how many have received this support?

17.10 Question from Councillor Kyrsten Perry

How many 'school streets' have been launched and what are the next steps?

17.11 Question from Councillor Rabina Khan

Tower Hamlets Children missed out on school for almost 5 months during Covid-19 lockdown and many could not access education online, unable to study at home due to cramped conditions and did not get the right support. Is the Mayor preparing a strategy to ensure that children educationally disadvantaged by the lockdown do not fall even further behind in their education and are given the support they need to fulfil their potential?

17.12 Question from Councillor Harun Miah

In recent months, the rough sleepers in our borough are increasing in an alarm rate, particularly in and around Shadwell Overground and DLR.

Can the cabinet member tell us what is been done to eradicate this menace?