

**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2013**

**QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE HEAD,  
DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

**SUMMARY**

1. Set out overleaf are the questions submitted by members of the public, for response by the Mayor or appropriate Cabinet Member or committee chair at the Council Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2013.
2. The Council's Constitution sets a maximum time limit of twenty minutes for this item.
3. A questioner who has put a question in person may also put one brief supplementary question without notice to the Member who has replied to his or her original question. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply. Supplementary questions and Members' responses to written and supplementary questions are each limited to two minutes.
4. Any question which cannot be dealt with during the twenty minutes allocated for public questions, either because of lack of time or because of non-attendance of the questioner or the Member to whom it was put, will be dealt with by way of a written answer.
5. Unless the Speaker of Council decides otherwise, no discussion will take place on any question, but any Member of the Council may move, without discussion, that the matter raised by a question be referred for consideration by the Cabinet or the appropriate Committee or Sub-Committee.

## **QUESTIONS**

Ten questions have been submitted as set out below:-

### **6.1 Question from Mr Koyes Uddin**

Can the Mayor tell us how many jobs will be lost as a result of the Labour-Conservative party's decision to close East End Life, and can he provide a breakdown of the possible equalities implications this will have?

### **6.2 Question from Mr Fazleh Elaahi**

Dame Colet House has been closed and in a state of disrepair for many years. What plans does the Mayor have to bring this site back into community use?

### **6.3 Question from Mr Abu Ahsan**

What plans does the Mayor have to regenerate Whitechapel?

### **6.4 Question from Ms Denisa Limani**

Will the Mayor tell us the impact of Labour party's decision to cut funding to engage with disable, elderly and hard-to-reach community groups will have on the council's long term finances?

### **6.5 Question from Mr Abdul Azad**

Can the Mayor tell us what he plans to do with the £800k allocated in his budget proposal for borough's street cleaning?

### **6.6 Question from Ms Pawla Cottage**

Will you guarantee that no Tower Hamlets Council tenants (whose homes are managed on your behalf by THH) are threatened with eviction due to arrears caused by the Bedroom Tax and other benefit cuts?

### **6.7 Question from Mr Marcus O'Mara**

In which ways will this Council use its Strategic Housing role to protect tenants of RSLs and tenants of private landlords from eviction due to benefit cuts?

### **6.8 Question from Mr Suluk Ahmed**

Why did Peter Golds and the Tories propose to remove the contribution of British-Bangladeshis from Tower Hamlets electoral map?

### **6.9 Question from Ms Lillian Collins**

I am proud to have lived in Poplar for over 50 years, and I couldn't understand why it was proposed to remove the legacy of East End icon, George Lansbury, from the map of Tower Hamlets?

### **6.10 Question from Mr Ruhel Miah**

Will the Mayor join me in reminding all Councillors, who are elected by the residents of this borough, to uphold the highest levels of personal and professional integrity when reporting concerns to the authorities?