

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY 2014

**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 at the Council Meeting on 22nd January 2014.
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

Nine public questions have been submitted as set out below:-

6.1 Question from Ms Julia Dockerill

What progress has been made by the Mayor and his Executive with respect to the application made by the Turk's Head charity to have Wapping Green formally designated as a protected, official 'village green' under the Commons Act of 2006?

6.2 Question from Mr Matthew Smith

Will the Mayor inform residents as to the progress of his proposals for the Community Infrastructure Levy?

6.3 Question from Mrs S Morrison

What is the Mayor doing to honour the legacy of Nelson Mandela?

6.4 Question from Mr Shah Ahmed

What is the Mayor doing about behaviour in Full Council meetings?

6.5 Question from Ms Nasmin Sultana

Can The Mayor tell me why Poplar Business Park went to appeal and was granted planning consent and what losses the council incurred?

[Note: A similar question was also received from Mr Shahin Uddin. Ms Sultana's question is listed above as it was received first. Mr Uddin will receive a written response to his question after the meeting.]

6.6 Question from Mr Steven Walker

Are tenants permitted to erect individual satellite dishes on the outside walls of council houses or flats?

6.7 Question from Mr Abdul Shamad

After a Bow community activist petitioned the last Full Council and asked questions about public spending by Labour Group members, he was subject to a vile homophobic poster campaign. What is being done about this?

6.8 Question from Kois Miah

Is the Lead Member aware of the campaign against the organisation “Student Rights” and will he join us in condemning their divisive rhetoric and tactics?

6.9 Question from Mr Amzal Hussain

Restaurants in Brick Lane have been trading for the last 50 years, we run an honest and transparent business, Our customers are sensible and polite customers, they do not and have not in the past created any anti-social behaviour in the area. Recently the bars, clubs, pubs and off licenses have given rise to anti-social behaviour, street urination in the area. Then why have the restaurants been included in the Saturation policy, when we were not consulted fully in the saturation policy consultation, and feel again the Bangladeshi restaurants have been targeted?