

Non-Executive Report of the:  <b>Council</b>  19 July 2017	 <b>TOWER HAMLETS</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Asmat Hussain, Corporate Director, Governance	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>Questions Submitted by the Public</b>	

<b>Originating Officer(s)</b>	Matthew Mannion, Committee Services Manager, Democratic Services.
<b>Wards affected</b>	All wards

## SUMMARY

1. Set out overleaf are any questions submitted by members of the public, for response by the Mayor or appropriate Cabinet Member at the Council Meeting on 19 July 2017.
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**

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

### **6.1 Question from Ahmed Hussain**

1. Argent wants to make the most money out of the regeneration
  2. One Housing Group wants to increase its stock as much as it can and wants to borrow money against OUR property
  3. The council wants to shift some of its residents from the waiting list to the newly built homes (even though they will not get the preferred 35% out of this regeneration); they also want to increase their receipt on council tax
- All of the above are supported by the council under the current Mayors Executive Power

But what is the council doing to ensure:

1. The current leasehold and freeholders will get a like for like property; surely the council needs to be fair for all and not just look after itself, housing association and the developer?

### **6.2 Question from Natasha Bolter**

Could the Mayor please highlight his approach and to bullying within his workforce and the community at large?

### **6.3 Question from Kabir Hussain**

Will the Mayor inform how many empty properties (excluding second homes) were in the Borough for each year between 2010-2016/17, and at the present?

### **6.4 Question from Dipu Jagirdar**

What is the Mayor doing to stop our schools turning in to Academies?