


Non-Executive Report of the:  <b>Council</b>  18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	 <b>TOWER HAMLETS</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Asmat Hussain, Corporate Director, Governance	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>Questions submitted by Members of the Council</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 the questions that were submitted by Members of the Council for response by the Mayor, the Speaker or the Chair of a Committee or Sub-Committee at the Council meeting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018.
2. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.4, questions relating to Executive functions and decisions taken by the Mayor are put to the Mayor unless he delegates such a decision to another Member, who will therefore be responsible for answering the question. In the absence of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor will answer questions directed to the Mayor.
3. Questions are limited to one per Member per meeting, plus one supplementary question unless the Member has indicated that only a written reply is required and in these circumstances a supplementary question is not permitted. Oral responses are time limited to one minute. Supplementary questions and responses are also time limited to one minute each.
4. Council Procedure Rule 10.7 (a) provides for an answer to take the form of a written answer circulated to the questioner, a reference to a published work or a direct oral answer.
5. There is a time limit of thirty minutes at the Council meeting for consideration of Members' questions with no extension of time allowed and any questions not put within this time are dealt with by way of written responses.
6. Members must confine their contributions to questions and answers and not make statements or attempt to debate.

## **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

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

### **10.1 Question from Councillor Dan Tomlinson**

Can the Mayor or Cabinet Member please update Council on the Grafton House fire?

### **10.2 Question from Councillor Peter Golds**

Will the Mayor confirm what discussions the administration and council have had with the Royal Borough of Greenwich with regard to proposed changes in the bye laws of the Greenwich Foot Tunnel and the clean air concerns arising from cruise ships moored close to residential areas of the Isle of Dogs.

### **10.3 Question from Councillor Asma Islam**

How many members of staff at Greenwich Leisure Limited will benefit from the Mayor's negotiations with GLL to bring forward the London Living Wage for 18-21 year olds?

### **10.4 Question from Councillor Andrew Wood**

When the Sea Scouts arrived on the Isle of Dogs they had 13.4 hectares of water to sail in, currently they have 4.7 ha. In the event of the proposed South Dock Bridge being built this will be reduced to 3.15 ha. The existing space is already negatively affected by wind-flow off the new Wood Wharf buildings. What steps will the Council undertake to ensure that the community does not lose this valuable organisation?

### **10.5 Question from Councillor Mufeedah Bustin**

Following recent incidents, what is the council doing to tackle ASB and crime in Island Gardens?

### **10.6 Question from Councillor Marc Francis**

Will the Lead Member for Finance update me on the progress of the review of the changes to the local Council Tax Reduction Scheme?

### **10.7 Question from Councillor Sabina Akhtar**

Can the Mayor or Lead Member please provide an update on the recent drug raids and how successful these raids have been?

### **10.8 Question from Councillor Ehtasham Haque**

Can the Cabinet Member provide an update on the latest Ofsted monitoring visit?

### **10.9 Question from Councillor Kevin Brady**

How many children and families are using our children's services following the recent changes?

#### **10.10 Question from Councillor John Pierce**

Will the Mayor consult residents on the parking times for the Council's A5 parking zone in Weavers Wards, to mirror those in Shoreditch, to stop our residential streets being used as a car park for Hackney's visitors?

#### **10.11 Question from Councillor Puru Miah**

Would the lead member support calls for the bus stop in front of Altab Ali Park, called Adler Street, to be renamed as Altab Ali Park?

#### **10.12 Question from Councillor Muhammad Harun**

I understand that due to non-attendance of members during the previous Mayors administration, Poplar HARCA discontinued our membership from their boardroom. Will the Mayor explain whether it is still possible to include our members on the Poplar HARCA board to represent LBTH – if so could the Mayor take appropriate steps?

#### **10.13 Question from Councillor Rabina Khan**

Will the Mayor privatise the 3 council run nurseries?