

# WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 27 July 2015

### AGENDA ITEM 5

#### Questions from Members of the Public

##### 1. Question from Mr T Snaith to the Leader of the Council

This cabinet recently considered new powers “£100 fines for sleeping rough in High Wycombe” We have now seen a U Turn and press statement by the Leader as a result of Public petitions , Comments from Community leaders, Liberal Democrats planned demonstration ahead of Full Council and a planned sleep out on the same evening. The Leader said “We want to prevent a need to rough sleep and to help those that find themselves on the street.” What more can WDC do to help the most vulnerable in society and avoid sending messages that WDC has no heart and no charity?

**Verbal reply to be given by Councillor Ms K Wood (Leader of the Council).**

##### 2. Question from Mr A Slater to the Cabinet Member for Youth

Please advise me what plans you now have in place, to proactively engage and help the youth of the district that are still in education, as there is a shortage of youth clubs and venues to spend time. With youths being forced to hang about on the streets across our district?

**Verbal reply to be given by Councillor R Newman (Cabinet Member for Youth).**

##### 3. Question from Dr L Derrick to the Cabinet Member for Planning

On current plans, anything from 900 – 2000 homes will be built on the 5 reserve sites released by WDC last year. This is in addition to thousands of extra homes already built or being built at Kingshill Grange, Daws Hill, Bellfield, and the Hughenden Quarter - to name but a few.

Despite this, BCC has said it will not be building any new schools. It will be relying on the expansion of existing schools to meet the demand, and even then only if they are willing.

What is WDC doing to persuade BCC to provide school places locally, particularly primary places?

**Verbal reply to be given by Councillor D Johncock (Cabinet Member for Planning).**

#### **4. Question from Mr R Kin to the Leader of the Council**

WDC leased off part of the (Lintafoam) Public car park to the Kingsmead Business Park(KMBP) who created an access from the Kingsmead to the business park .

The remaining part of the car park is still a public car park but is being abused by KMBP workers who are parking cars all day preventing use by local residents, parents dropping off at school and other park users.

What is WDC's answer to this problem that this council created by allowing access from KMBP and leasing off of a public car park?

**Verbal reply to be given by Councillor Ms K Wood (Leader of the Council).**