

Item No. 2.1	Classification: Open	Date: 16 March 2016	Meeting Name: Council Assembly
Report title:		Members' Question Time	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Proper Constitutional Officer	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Members' question time shall not exceed 30 minutes. During this time, members may not question any one cabinet member or committee chair for longer than fifteen minutes.

Members are limited to one question at each meeting. One councillor from each community council will be able to submit a question on behalf of their community council.

Questions to the leader will be taken first, followed by question from community council councillors followed by questions to other cabinet members. The order in which the different political groups ask questions of the leader will be rotated. Questions to cabinet members will also be rotated. The order of portfolios will be rotated at each meeting such that the cabinet member answering questions immediately after the leader will be the last cabinet member to answer any questions at the next meeting of council assembly. The rotation is in line with decisions of council assembly in July 2014 and rotations circulated by the proper constitutional officer in April 2015.

Cabinet members and committee chairs have discretion to refer a question to another cabinet member.

Responses to members' questions will be circulated on yellow paper around the council chamber on the evening of the meeting.

The Mayor will ask the member asking the question if they wish to ask one supplemental question to the member to whom the question was asked. The supplemental question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply. Therefore, supplemental questions to the leader or other cabinet members are not free ranging.

No question shall be asked on a matter concerning a planning or licensing application.

Notes:

1. The procedures on members' questions are set out in council assembly procedure rule 2.9 in the Southwark Constitution.
2. In accordance with council assembly procedure rule 2.9 (12) & (13) (prioritisation and rotation by the political groups) the order in which questions to the leader appear in this report may not necessarily be the order in which they are considered at the meeting.
3. A question from a community council must have been previously considered and noted by the relevant community council (CAPR 2.9.2).

1. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR LEO POLLAK**

What does the leader believe is the likely impact of the London Fire Brigade Commissioner's proposal to remove a fire engine from Old Kent Road Fire Station?

2. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR LISA RAJAN**

Why is the Seven Islands site included in the current round of Southwark Regeneration in Partnership Programme schemes when there is an ongoing public consultation on the new leisure centre's location?

3. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR JANE LYONS**

Given the drive to encourage more people to use public transport (especially from the south of the borough where public transport links are poorer than in the north) what conversations has he and council officers had in the last 6 months with rail companies with regard to improving access to North Dulwich station?

4. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR OCTAVIA LAMB**

Can the leader confirm how many children in Southwark will benefit from free books through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library?

5. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR DAMIAN O'BRIEN**

Can the leader provide more detail on the proposed emissions-based charges for parking permits and the timetable for implementation?

6. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR GAVIN EDWARDS**

Can the leader explain how the council is ensuring residents in Southwark are aware of the detrimental impact the government's proposals in the Housing and Planning Bill could have on housing services?

7. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR ANOOD AL-SAMERAI**

How many tall buildings does the leader believe Southwark can accommodate?

8. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR MAISIE ANDERSON**

Can the leader explain how the new £2m regeneration fund for shopping parades will be used to support local businesses and encourage people to shop locally?

9. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR BEN JOHNSON**

How many complaints have there been from leaseholders and what have leaseholder satisfaction rates been in each of the past five financial years?

10. **QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR MARTIN SEATON**

Can the leader give an update on community consultation on the proposals for Walworth Town Hall?

11. QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR JAMES BARBER

What action has been taken by the administration in response to the motion passed by council assembly in January 2015 calling for additional powers for local authorities to increase the empty homes premium and reduce the qualifying period?

12. QUESTION TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR HAMISH McCALLUM

What factors are currently taken into account by the council when deciding whether to dispose of a council home on the open market?

13. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, PARKS AND LEISURE FROM COUNCILLOR BILL WILLIAMS (BERMONDSEY AND ROTHERHITHE COMMUNITY COUNCIL)

Can the cabinet member for public health, parks and leisure advise, what is the net loss of trees within the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe community council area over the last 5 years. How many of those trees will be replaced and with what type or types of tree?

14. QUESTION TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FROM COUNCILLOR KIERON WILLIAMS (CAMBERWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL)

Would the leader of the council give an update on the position in Camberwell on improving safety for cyclists and pedestrians and how the council has been putting pressure on Transport for London (TfL) to see how that is achieved?

15. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY FROM COUNCILLOR JON HARTLEY (DULWICH COMMUNITY COUNCIL)

The community council would like to ask how the council were working with the police and other statutory/community agencies to address crime and community safety issues in the Dulwich area?

16. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, PARKS AND LEISURE FROM COUNCILLOR JOHNSON SITU (PECKHAM AND NUNHEAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL)

The community council would like to ask the council to provide an update on the provision available for people with learning difficulties and mental health issues including the support they provide to projects in the Peckham and Nunhead area?

17. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR MARTIN SEATON (BOROUGH, BANKSIDE AND WALWORTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL)

Could the cabinet member give an update regarding the proposals for the changes to East Street?

18. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MITCHELL

What is the budgeted cost of the Quietway construction works currently proposed for Calton Avenue, Turney Road and the Dulwich Village junction? How many additional

cycle journeys a day are expected to arise as a direct result of these works, were they to go ahead?

19. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR REBECCA LURY

What is the council doing to keep the borough's high streets clean?

20. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR SARAH KING

Can the cabinet member give an update on the implementation of cycle quietways?

21. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR ANNE KIRBY

Following the completion of the works at Townley Road, what has the response from residents in the local community been to the changes?

22. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR ROSIE SHIMELL

Can the cabinet member update us on Southwark's recycling performance in 2014-2015?

23. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR ADELE MORRIS

What steps are being taken by the council to address the issue of residents without access to bins leaving their refuse/recycling in the street?

24. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR SANDRA RHULE

Can the cabinet member provide the most recent figures on the council's diversion from landfill rates?

25. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR NICK DOLEZAL

Since the Herne Hill flood alleviation project was complete, what other schemes has the council been working on to protect properties in the borough from flooding?

26. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR CHARLIE SMITH

Since the introduction of the bulky waste fee, can the cabinet member confirm how fly tipping rates in the borough have changed?

27. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR DAVID NOAKES

Please provide a table showing the number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued by the council for idling vehicle engines over each of the past five years.

28. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE PUBLIC REALM FROM COUNCILLOR ELIZA MANN

Can the cabinet member provide year-on-year figures for the number of fly tips reported in the borough since the introduction of charges for bulky waste collections?

29. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY FROM COUNCILLOR SUNIL CHOPRA

Would the cabinet member explain what the council is doing to reduce business crime and make the borough a safe business environment?

30. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY FROM COUNCILLOR CLEO SOANES

Can the cabinet member set out how the noise service is fulfilling the council's Fairer Future promise of zero tolerance to noise nuisance?

31. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY FROM COUNCILLOR SUNNY LAMBE

What can the council do to tackle the rise in hate crimes?

32. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING FROM COUNCILLOR MARIA LINFORTH-HALL

Can the cabinet member provide an update on the installation of sprinklers in individual sheltered housing unit flats, and fire and heat alarms in dedicated older person dwellings?

33. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION AND NEW HOMES FROM COUNCILLOR DAVID HUBBER

Can the cabinet member explain why the council is allowing non-policy compliant levels of car parking in developments when Southwark is supposed to be a borough that promotes walking and cycling?

34. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN AND SCHOOLS FROM COUNCILLOR JAMES OKOSUN

How many Southwark children are being taught in classes of thirty or more pupils?