

**COUNCIL ASSEMBLY**  
**(ANNUAL MEETING)**  
**WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2012**  
**QUESTIONS ON REPORTS**

**ITEM 3.1: EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS 2012/13**

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

Has the leader considered returning to the committee system?

**ITEM 3.2 - ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES, COMMUNITY COUNCILS AND OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES 2012/13**

**1. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR NICK STANTON**

In section 5, the report highlights five community council areas to be established as set out below:

- Bermondsey and Rotherhithe
- Borough, Bankside and Walworth
- Camberwell
- Dulwich
- Peckham and Nunhead

Please can the relevant cabinet member set out a) the population and b) the size of each geographical area for each community council?

**2. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR JEFF HOOK**

Who proposed the themes for council assembly as set out in paragraph 16? Will the relevant cabinet member consider allowing community councils to propose themes for council assembly?

**3. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR GRAHAM NEALE**

Are community councils allowed to meet more than five times a year on requests of local residents, as set out in paragraph 41, if they can find the resources to do so?

**4. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR DAVID HUBBER**

Has the cabinet member considered devolving licensing powers to community councils?

### **ITEM 3.4 - CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW 2012/13**

#### **1. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR JAMES BARBER**

What will be the cost of forming two planning sub committees? How many planning applications that have previously gone to members will now be decided by officers?

#### **2. QUESTION TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY FROM COUNCILLOR MARK GETTLESON**

At the budget meeting in February 2012, the cabinet member for finance, resources and community safety said he would investigate whether there is a requirement to have five community council areas as he outlined at the meeting of Bermondsey community council as the reason behind not merging Camberwell community council in with one of its neighbours. Please can he confirm whether he has done this?

#### **3. QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR PAUL NOBLET**

The report clarifies the process for community council questions being asked to cabinet members. Does the cabinet member believe community councils should get to ask cabinet members supplemental questions?