

Meeting of the Council

Thursday, 23 July 2015

Questions Under Standing Order A13

Question (1) by Councillor Darling (M) to the Mayor and Executive Lead for Finance, Regeneration and Children (Mayor Oliver)	I understand that a further land valuation, as part of the Cary Green and pavilion project, is being sought. If this valuation is substantially different than the valuation obtained previously will the pavilion re-development project be brought back to Full Council for re-consideration?
Question (2) by Councillor Morey to the Mayor and Executive Lead for Finance, Regeneration and Children (Mayor Oliver)	In light of the comments made by Dr. Sarah Wollaston to the Herald Express dated 4th June 2015, regarding the Mayors refusal to pass over the Council Tax Support Grant to Brixham Town Council (currently estimated to be approximately £67,000 over the last two years) and especially considering her quote of "I do not feel this is an argument that can apply year on year". Will the Mayor now confirm that he will pass over the relevant amount of Council Tax Support Grant for the year 2016/2017?
Question (3) by Councillor Darling (M) to the Mayor and Executive Lead for Finance, Regeneration and Children (Mayor Oliver)	The former B & Q building in Torre was recently sold for 230,000 to a buyer from Newton Abbot. I had lobbied you for the Council to consider placing a bid for this site. With this site being sold for hundreds of thousands of pounds less than the previous asking price do you agree with me that this was a missed opportunity to ensure that prompt re-development took place that could have helped to meet local housing needs?
Question (4) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Chairman of the Licensing Committee (Councillor Manning)	As chair of the licensing Committee what innovative approaches do you plan to introduce to improve our night time economy in Torbay?

Question (5) by Councillor Doggett to the Mayor and Executive Lead for Finance, Regeneration and Children (Mayor Oliver)	On June 3rd, earlier this year, the Herald Express produced an article, which was headlined, "Newly Elected Councillor suing his own Council". This referred to Councillor Richard Haddock suing Torbay Council for up to £160,000 damages in a dispute over farmland at Churston. Therefore I would like to ask the Mayor to confirm that there has been provision in the Council Finances to deal with Councillor Haddock's proposed action?
Question (6) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Executive Lead for Business (Councillor Haddock)	The grassing over of flower beds across Torbay has resulted in much adverse comment on Torbay Council. Why did the Council fail to consult with our communities before taking this drastic step?