

# Meeting of the Council

Thursday, 21 July 2016

## Questions Under Standing Order A13

<b>Question (1) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Executive Lead for Health and Wellbeing and Corporate Services (Councillor Mills)</b>	Can you please explain why the local authority tracks all MP complaints but fails to do the same for Councillors, who are accountable to the public for the management of Torbay Council?
<b>Question (2) by Councillor Lewis to the Executive Lead for Adults and Children (Councillor Parrott)</b>	<p>At the budget Priority and Resources Board meeting you stated that you had full confidence that the Children's Services budget was deliverable and that you would resign your portfolio if Children's Services were showing an overspend in the first quarter. This was following reservations by the Board that the budget was not robust.</p> <p>Can you please confirm that the Children's Services budget will not show an overspend for the financial year by the end of the first quarter, and that you will be able to remain as portfolio holder for Children's Services.</p>
<b>Question (3) by Councillor Doggett to the Executive Lead for Tourism, Culture and Harbours (Councillor Amil)</b>	Are you in a position to advise the Council whether the Torbay Air show made a profit or loss?
<b>Question (4) by Councillor Stringer to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b>	Four years ago Babbacombe Corinthians Football Club were stopped from playing on Stoodly Knowle playing fields due to holes opening up on the pitches. Members of the club were advised that the Council had decided not to take legal action against a utility company due to cost. Can you please advise why the Council chose not to take legal action on this matter?
<b>Question (5) by Councillor Morey to the Mayor (Mayor Oliver)</b>	<p>As a result of last month's referendum on leaving the European Union, David Cameron who was one of the leaders of the Remain campaign has done what many claim to be the honourable thing and has decided to step down from his position as Prime Minister to reflect the result of that Referendum.</p> <p>After the Scottish Independence Referendum, Alex Salmon who led the Independence campaign, also did the honourable thing and stepped down as Leader when the majority of the public voted against his wishes.</p> <p>Torbay held its own referendum in May in which a large majority residents stated that they no longer want a Mayoral System in Torbay and voted for a</p>

	<p>return to a Leader and Cabinet System.</p> <p>Will the Mayor now follow the example of the two previously mentioned leaders and do the honourable thing and concede authority to Council at the earliest opportunity to reflect the democratic wishes of the residents of Torbay.</p>
<p><b>Question (6) by Councillor Darling (M) to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b></p>	<p>The reversal of traffic in Torre commenced on the 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2016. Can you please explain why the bus stop to replace the two bus stops decommissioned by the re-routing of the number 12 route is still under construction?</p>

### Second Round

<p><b>Question (1) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b></p>	<p>What prioritisation is the Council giving to the development of a peninsular league standard pitch in either Torquay or Paignton?</p>
<p><b>Question (2) by Councillor Doggett to the Executive Lead for Tourism, Culture and Harbours (Councillor Amil)</b></p>	<p>What consideration was given to the risk of financial loss and reporting method of such loss, when the business plan for the Torbay Air Show was being developed?</p>
<p><b>Question (3) by Councillor Stringer to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b></p>	<p>Babbacombe Corinthians Football Club have previously been advised the Steps Cross playing field could be flattened to make it more playable. When are any such works planned?</p>
<p><b>Questions (4) by Councillor Darling (M) to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b></p>	<p>Following the decision of the British people to leave the EU there has been an increase in racial incidents in Torbay. Why has Torbay Council failed to visibly stand up against this intolerance?</p>

### Third round

<p><b>Question (1) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Council's</b></p>	<p>On 11 May 2016 I emailed the following question to you:</p>
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<b>Representative on the Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel (Councillor Excell)</b>	<p><i>"Dear Robert</i></p> <p><i>Can you please respond to the following question?</i></p> <p><i>As Torbay Councils representative on the Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel, do you think it is right that Alison Hernandez remains in post whilst being investigated by the police for criminal offences, while a serving officer in the police would be suspended during such an investigation?"</i></p> <p>At the time of issuing this further question (1 July 2016) a response from you remains outstanding, I would welcome your comments on the substantive matter?</p>
<b>Question (2) by Councillor Stringer to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</b>	<p>The Transport Working Party agreed to the implementation of a 20 MPH traffic Zone outside Barton Hill Academy in 10 July 2014. When will this be implemented?</p>