

Questions Under Standing Order A13

A member may only submit three questions for consideration at each Council Meeting. Each member will present their first question in turn, when all the first questions have been dealt with the second and third questions may be asked in turn. The time for member's questions will be limited to a total of 30 minutes.

<p>Question (1) by Councillor Darling (M) to the Executive Lead for Community Services (Councillor Excell)</p>	<p>Please find below an extract from a letter I have received from Robert Williams, Commercial Director at Stagecoach, dated 24th January, 2018.</p> <p>“There are only a very small number of locations in the UK where such equipment is wide spread, London, Reading and Bristol spring to mind, and these are typically locations where the local authority have funded the provision of the necessary technology. Torbay Council have in the past expressed an interest in funding such equipment on our route 12 fleet given it's importance to the area, so we did approach them to see if they were still interested prior to taking delivery of the vehicles, but they chose not to proceed. The fares our passengers pay are our only means of covering our running costs, and without local authority funding we would struggle to say that we would gain enough patronage/income by having audio announcements to avoid having to increase prices.”</p> <p>In light of the statement above, can you please explain what process Torbay Council went through in reaching the decision not to support the provision of audible stop announcements on the number 12 bus route?</p>
<p>Councillor Excell</p>	
<p>Question (2) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Elected Mayor and Executive Lead for Assets, Finance, Governance and Corporate Services, Economic Regeneration and Transformation (Elected Mayor Oliver)</p>	<p>In your opinion, what are the risks and opportunities of Brexit on Torbay's economy, workforce and skills of our residents and what impacts do you expect in the future?</p>
<p>Elected Mayor Oliver</p>	
<p>Question (3) by Councillor Carter to the Elected Mayor and Executive Lead for Assets, Finance, Governance and Corporate Services, Economic Regeneration and Transformation</p>	<p>What are your priorities for local growth funding, particularly for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund domestic successor regime, and which other sources of funding are particularly important to Torbay?</p>

(Elected Mayor Oliver)	
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Second Round

Question (4) by Councillor Carter to the Elected Mayor and Executive Lead for Assets, Finance, Governance and Corporate Services, Economic Regeneration and Transformation (Elected Mayor Oliver)	What are your priorities for local government when reviewing EU legislation?
Elected Mayor Oliver	
Question (5) by Councillor Darling (S) to the Executive Lead for Adults and Children (Councillor Parrott)	I understand that Torbay has only been offered observer status at the interviews for the Joint Head of Plymouth and Torbay Children Services, with no voting rights. Can you confirm the selection criteria and process for the appointment of the Joint Head of Plymouth and Torbay Children Services?
Councillor Parrott	