

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 8:2

FROM COUNCILLOR S.T. WILIAM

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION

FREE WIFI

What progress has been made with regards to installing free WiFi for Barry Island and other areas in the Vale?

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FROM COUNCILLOR R.L. TRAHERNE

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

ASBESTOS IN SCHOOLS

How many of our schools contain asbestos?

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FROM COUNCILLOR R.L. TRAHERNE

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR VISIBLE AND LEISURE SERVICES

RECYCLING TARGETS

Is the Council going to achieve the Welsh Government's 'Recycling Target' of 58% of 'Waste' in 2015 – 2016?

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TO THE LEADER

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS - DISCLOSURE LOG

Over 18 months ago I asked you a question at Council. This question was as follows: *Could I ask the Leader whether he has considered the introduction of a publicly accessible disclosure log of all requests received under the Freedom of Information Act (2000)? Having a dedicated page on the Council's website where all responses to freedom of information requests would be located would cost very little, and certainly far less than the thousands of pounds spent on the chairs that we are all sitting on this evening. As I am sure the Leader would agree, the introduction of such a measure would promote greater openness and greater transparency in regard to the work of the Council, and as such should surely be implemented without delay. You may recall that you said: "To answer your question, I have indeed considered this and have had some discussions with officers already but, as yet, no decision has been made." And "In conclusion, I have thought about it and it will be considered".* I was wondering if your considerations were complete and, if not, perhaps you can tell Council whether we are going to have to wait another 18 months for a decision.

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LIVING WAGE

How much additional money will the Council require in order to pay our staff the new 'Living Wage' in April 2016.

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RESHAPING SERVICES AGENDA

As part of the '*Reshaping Services Agenda*'; has the Council been able to identify any services that might be carried out more efficiently by the private sector?

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FROM COUNCILLOR A.G. BENNETT

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR VISIBLE SERVICES AND LEISURE

CAR PARKING CHARGES IN LLANTWIT MAJOR

In view of the recent Car Parking Charges debate, could I seek an assurance from the Cabinet Member responsible, that there are no plans to introduce Car Park Charging within the Llantwit Major area, specifically in the Town Hall Car Park, The Rugby Club Car Park, areas around the Railway Station and the Car Park at Llantwit Major Beach. All of these car parks are owned/controlled by the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

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TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND
COMMUNITY SAFETY

HEALTH AND SAFETY AT SITESERVE SITE, LLANDOW

In relation to the incident of fire which occurred at the Siteserve Premises on Llandow recently and in light of the significant Constituent concern expressed to myself and no doubt my fellow Councillors in Llantwit Major, what specific action will the Vale of Glamorgan Council be taking in relation to this matter with regard to the future use and safety of the site.

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FROM COUNCILLOR P.J. CLARKE

TO THE LEADER

DISCRETIONARY PAYMENTS

With regard to discretionary payments would the Council Leader tell me how much discretionary compensation has been paid over the last 5 financial years?
I understand that Cardiff Council have reduced the level of discretionary payments by about 50%. Will the Vale of Glamorgan Council be similarly reviewing its discretionary payments policy particularly for high earners?

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LOCAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

The procedure as described in the Council's Constitution says that 'Publicity will not be given to the names of the Members involved in the complaint unless it is decided that there is a basis to the complaint and that the Member be censured.' In addition, there is no internal right of appeal against the decision. It is only if the complainant is successful and the Member censured that names may be released.

Would the Leader agree with me that this rather one-sided and confidential procedure favours the accusers, conflicting with the rules of natural justice?

How many times has the procedure been used over the last 5 years and what proportion of complaints have been made by the Members of the political party in power against Members from the opposition side of the Council?

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FROM COUNCILLOR DR. I.J. JOHNSON

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR VISIBLE SERVICES AND LEISURE

PART-TIME STREET LIGHTING

The Labour/Llantwit First Vale of Glamorgan Council has recently introduced a part-time lighting scheme in many Vale streets where street lights are turned off between midnight and 6am. What considerations were made about which lights and which areas of the Vale would be first affected by this 'switch off', and what consultation did the Council hold regarding safety issues prior to introducing this policy?

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TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND
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SHARED REGULATORY SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE

The Vale of Glamorgan Council has recently established a joint working relationship with Bridgend County Borough and Cardiff County Councils with regards to regulatory services, including environmental health, food legislation, trading standards etc., with a Shared Regulatory Services Joint Committee on which we are represented by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Building Maintenance and Community Safety and the Chair of Licensing. What is the process for ordinary Members of this Council to scrutinise the decisions and actions of this Committee and our representatives upon it?

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VULNERABLE PERSONS RELOCATION SCHEME

In June this year I asked what discussions the Council has held regarding the Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme and was informed that delays to accepting refugees were a result of a lack of clarity from Welsh Government about health spending and that this would be discussed at the next Local Services Board. As is clear, the situation has worsened in recent months and the number of refugees fleeing conflict in the middle-east and north Africa has increased. Could Council be updated about proposals to receive refugees in the Vale of Glamorgan and support that the Council and other bodies will provide?

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FROM COUNCILLOR K.P. MAHONEY

TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND
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WAITING LIST FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING

What is the total number of individuals or families currently on the waiting list for local authority housing in the Vale of Glamorgan?

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TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND
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WAITING LISTS FOR FUNDING FOR DISABLED FACILITIES

What is the total number of individuals or families currently waiting for Local Authority funded disabled access and other adaptations to their houses in the Vale of Glamorgan whether they be Council or private houses?

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DWELLINGS REQUIRED

What is the estimated number of local authority or housing association dwellings in the Vale of Glamorgan that it is estimated require to be built or bought over the next 10 years in order to provide sufficient homes to cater for the current and future estimated shortage of homes for the current population of the Vale of Glamorgan?

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TO THE LEADER

PREFERENCE FOR HOUSING

Does the Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council feel that migrants or other classifications of peoples from countries outside of the UK should be given preference to housing in the Vale of Glamorgan before current Vale of Glamorgan residents?

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PREFERENCES FOR HOUSING WAITING LISTS

Does the Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council feel that the Vale of Glamorgan Council should provide housing for those already living in the Vale of Glamorgan especially those on current housing waiting lists before providing housing for those currently living outside the UK.

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WELFARE REFORM

The new Conservative Government in Westminster has made a series of announcements regarding welfare reform, including reductions in the benefit cap. When will a report be published on the impact of those reforms upon residents of the Vale of Glamorgan and upon the Council?

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SOCIAL RENT REDUCTION

The Conservative Government in Westminster announced a 1% social rent reduction for each of the next four years in their Emergency Budget. What impact will this have upon the Council's Business Plan?

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TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION

IMPROVEMENTS TO HOLTON ROAD

What grants have been allocated for improvements to Holton Road in (a) 2014-15 and (b) 2015-16, how much of this funding has been spent and on which projects?