

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL AGREED BY COUNCIL ON  
5<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2010

QUESTION FROM: MR. A. DOBBINSON

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND  
TRANSPORT

**VEHICLE PARKING SPACES**

How many Council owned properties in the Vale of Glamorgan have access to vehicle parking space (s) i.e. driveways etc. that require the vehicle to cross the adopted footway without the provision of a dropped kerb? What action, if any, are the Council taking to regularise this situation?

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QUESTION FROM: MRS. J. GOUGH

TO: THE EXECUTIVE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR PERFORMANCE  
AND RESOURCES

**PARKING FEES**

I would like to ask if the Council will reconsider the parking fees coming into place in our local beauty spots. I frequent Porthceri, Cosmeston and Barry Island when walking my dog. I reluctantly agree that a charge of £50 annual fee to park and walk my dog daily would be acceptable. It was not clear that this fee will only cover Porthceri and Cosmeston. I feel that the charge of £100 annual parking for the Island is unfair and excessive. Please reconsider the amount to dogwalkers and local people who use all the facilities on a regular basis and the impact on local trade during the winter months.

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**LITTER**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

Considering Barry has the highest rise and fall of tide in the UK, the Council have accepted there is a global issue with plastic pollution and despite the high turnout of traders and Councillors at the Litter Summit 3 or 4 years ago, there has been little change to the visitors' actions. Although we appreciate the changes made regarding the PA system, increased bins and some new signage, when a voluntary group picks up 108 bin liners in a mostly rainy month of June, it has to be accepted it is not working. What can the Council do to encourage the visitors to remove their litter from the beach? Many suggestions were made at the Summit but none of these seem to have been implemented, and we are now approaching an environmental emergency, with the amount of rubbish that is being taken out to sea.

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**PARKING CHARGES AND PERMITS**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

With parking charges and permits in place at Holton Road, is King Square to be the new free Car Park? Although it is obviously used by some Council workers for access to Central Park, it appears to be being used as a personal staff car park for the Town Council and any delivery drivers, and now shoppers. This is unsightly at a time when the visual aspect of the town needs improving, and is dangerous as it is in constant use by the walking public, including many children going to Central Park.

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**EFFECTIVENESS OF ENFORCEMENT**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

Why is the location recorded for parking offences but not litter fines? How can the effectiveness of enforcement be monitored without locations?

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**DRINKING WATER FOUNTAINS**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

Where are the drinking water fountains and when are they being installed in the parks as planned, as the money was reserved for these over 3 years ago and their installation will help in the fight against plastic pollution?

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TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR LEGAL, REGULATORY AND PLANNING  
SERVICES

**DISCHARGES INTO THE DOCK**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

What communication has the Council had with Dwr Cymru regarding the extremely high amount of discharges into the Dock from the combined sewage outlets? With residents receiving letters concerning a future marina this must surely be a priority before any plans could be considered for leisure use.

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**GRAFFITI COSTS**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

What is being done to recoup the cost of the SOSO graffiti?

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**BIRD CAGE WALK**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

What is being done to enable Bird Cage walk to open up, as this walkway has been closed since 2/6/2019?

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**OLD HARBOUR**

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With the Old Harbour continuing to be polluted by the blue boat that is also damaging the Harbour Wall, when are the Council going to remove the two boats and what will be done to recoup the cost of this from the owner?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. M. LOCK

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR LEISURE, ARTS AND CULTURE

**SKATEPARK AT THE KNAP**

An FOI request reveals that the Council spent close to £20,000 on repairs to the skatepark at the Knap. Was this good value seeing as the park is still in very poor condition and full of unsafe wooden patches and holes?

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TO: THE EXECUTIVE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR PERFORMANCE  
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**BEAUTIFUL BARRY REPRESENTATIVE ON SCRUTINY**

On behalf of Beautiful Barry, we have requested previously a permanent public representative on Scrutiny meetings. Would the Council allow and welcome this and could a local Citizens Forum be established to facilitate such a thing?

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**TRAFFIC TO BARRY ISLAND**

(SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BEAUTIFUL BARRY)

With traffic to Barry Island regularly at a standstill during the summer, restricting residents from reaching their homes and going shopping, is it possible a Park and Ride facility could be implemented using the Civic Offices, Docks Offices and Memorial Hall car parks for visitors at the weekends to help reduce congestion all over Barry, and stop visitors parking illegally when they reach the Island, because the car parks are full?

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TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND REGENERATION

**CINEMA / BOWLING ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX**

A recent survey on Beautiful Barry showed that 18.2% of over 700 responses wanted a cinema or bowling entertainment complex which was once marketed as coming to the waterfront. How has this idea been encouraged by the Council to any potential leisure developers?

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**POOL SLIDE AT BARRY LEISURE CENTRE**

The pool slide at Barry Leisure centre was once a main attraction and is now a derelict eyesore. Could the Council explain why it's not been maintained and could it be reopened?

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**PRIDE MONTH**

June was Pride month and with most events of gatherings unable to take place due to Covid, has the Vale supported this in other productive ways such as online events?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. S. BURNELL

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND  
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**PLACING ITEMS ON HIGHWAY**

How many complaints were received by the Council in regards to the lack of space from A boards and tables and chairs?

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QUESTION FROM: MISS. A. GREENFIELD

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**REPLACEMENT OF PAVEMENT SIGNAGE**

How has the Council considered the environmental impact of requiring businesses to replace pavement signage with approved designs? Could these changes be phased in to apply to new signage only to allow serviceable items to be used until they require replacement? This reducing the environmental impact.

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QUESTION FROM: MR. R. WATKINS

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**PLACING ITEMS ON HIGHWAY**

Why does the Vale of Glamorgan Council think this is the right time to introduce charges for Tables, Chairs and A Boards to already struggling businesses while Welsh Government are still supporting these businesses through business rate relief and additional grants?