

Meeting of the City Council

31 March 2021

Report title	Written Questions by Councillors	
Referring person	Councillor Udey Singh, Councillor Ellis Turrell, Councillor Simon Bennett, Councillor Andrew McNeil, Councillor Andy Randle, Councillor Adam Collinge.	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Member with lead responsibility	Councillor Stephen Simkins, Deputy Leader Inclusive City Economy Councillor Steve Evans, City Environment and Climate Change Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal, City Assets and Housing	
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Recommendation for decision:

The Council is recommended to:

That the Cabinet Member for City Economy respond to the questions received in accordance with Council's procedure rules.

1.0 Purpose

1.1 For the Cabinet Members to respond to the questions received:

a. Heath Town Baths

Councillor Udey Singh to ask the Deputy Leader for Inclusive City Economy

Can the cabinet member please provide an update on the much-delayed Heath Town Baths project?

b. West Side

Councillor Ellis Turrell to ask the Deputy Leader for Inclusive City Economy:

Can the cabinet member please provide an update on the cinema plans for West Side?

c. Loss of Spending

Councillor Simon Bennett to ask the Deputy Leader for Inclusive City Economy:

The CEBR has estimated that the UK has seen £11.9bn of spend displaced from city centre spending during the pandemic, whilst increased spending in local areas is to be welcomed, how much spend does the Council estimate has been lost from Wolverhampton city centre?

d. Green Belt Land

Councillor Andrew McNeil to ask the Deputy Leader for Inclusive City Economy:

Can the cabinet member please explain why space for over 500 homes has been identified on green belt land in Bushbury North, some of which is owned by Wolverhampton Council, whilst Council owned brownfield sites have been ignored?

e. Parks

Councillor Andy Randle to ask the Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change:

Can the cabinet member please set out what investment is planned for our parks?

f. Brownfield Sites

Councillor Adam Collinge to ask the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing:

Around six years ago the Council closed the Nelson Mandela House Care Home and the Oxley Training Day Centre/Oxley House facilities, with the sites becoming disused and derelict. Can the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing provide an update on when and how these brownfield sites are to be positively redeveloped?