

Meeting of the City Council 26 January 2022

Report title	Written Questions by Councillors	
Referring person	Councillor Susan Roberts MBE, Councillor Simon Bennett, Councillor Wendy Thompson, Councillor Adam Collinge, Councillor Steph Haynes, Councillor Paul Singh	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Member with lead responsibility	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal, Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing Councillor Steve Evans, Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change Councillor Stephen Simkins, Deputy Leader Inclusive City Economy Councillor Jasbir Jaspal, Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing Councillor Ian Brookfield, Leader of the Council	
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Recommendation for action:

The Council is recommended to:

That Councillors respond to the questions received in accordance with Council's procedure rules.

1.0 Purpose

1.1 For Councillors to respond to the questions received:

a. Development Plans

Councillor Susan Roberts MBE to ask the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing:

What is the current situation of the former Oxley Day Training site in Probert Road, Oxley, as there have been many security issues with the site? Also is there any further update on the Nelson Mandela site?

b. Garden Waste Service

Councillor Simon Bennett to ask the Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change:

Neighbouring Dudley Council has listened to its residents and reversed its decision to begin charging for their garden waste service. Will Wolverhampton Council do the right and proper thing and not only cancel their garden tax increase, but follow Dudley's example and abolish this unpopular charge altogether?

c. Bare-knuckle Boxing

Councillor Wendy Thompson to ask the Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change:

It has been announced that Wolverhampton will be hosting four fight nights of bare-knuckle boxing with the first to take place on 26th February. Does the Council support the hosting of events of this nature in the city and if not, what action is being taken to see that events like this are not held in our City?

d. City Investment

Councillor Adam Collinge to ask the Deputy Leader Inclusive City Economy:

Please can the Deputy Leader confirm each project making up the oft cited £4.4bn of investment in the City including the date funding was confirmed, the confirmed start date and the anticipated completion date?

e. West Midlands Police and Crime Panel

Councillor Steph Haynes to ask the Lead Member on the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel:

What action has the member as both the responsible executive member and the Council's lead member on the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel taken to defend

Wednesfield Police Station from being closed by the Labour Police and Crime Commissioner?

f. Platinum Jubilee

Councillor Paul Singh to ask the Leader of the Council:

Her Majesty the Queen is due to celebrate her platinum jubilee later this year. What plans has the Council made to celebrate this incredible achievement by Her Majesty?