

## Item 4a:

### **Public Questions to be answered at the Executive meeting on 14 January 2021. Additional questions received in relation to agenda item 7 (Newbury Sports Ground Update)**

Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by members of the public in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution.

(o) **Question submitted by Paul Morgan to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"How can the public expect to make a meaningful and informed contribution to the public consultation when they have not been provided with the details/facts of the proposal?"*

(p) **Question submitted by Jason Braidwood to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"Is it realistic to expect that the objectives of the rugby club, the council and the football community of Newbury will ever be fully aligned, if there is divergence whose objective will take precedence?"*

(q) **Question submitted by Lee McDougall to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"How will local football teams be able to generate income from this facility to ensure their sustainability at higher step levels?"*

(r) **Question submitted by Alan Pearce to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"What is the timetable of events and milestones that will lead to an opening of the new facility in March 22?"*

(s) **Question submitted by Vaughan Miller to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"Given that Newbury Football ground at Faraday Road was closed in June 2018, does this proposal provide a replacement facility "of equivalent or better quality, and of equivalent or greater quantity, and subject to equivalent or better accessibility and management arrangements" (from Sport England Exception 4 and also quoted in WBC Playing Pitch Strategy)?"*

(t) **Question submitted by Gary Norman to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"Given the high level of risk associated with the proposal, does the council really think that developing the football ground at the Diamond at Pidgeon's Farm would be a satisfactory option for Plan B, considering this would mean the loss of a historic, well used and loved public recreation space to Greenham Parish?"*

(u) **Question submitted by John Stewart to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing, Leisure and Culture:**

*"What is the constitution of the new Culture and Leisure Programme Board and will the Council commit to appoint users and community groups to it to ensure the best outcome?"*