Agenda Item 19

Members' Questions to be answered at the Council meeting on 06 October 2022.

Members of the Executive to answer the following questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with the Council's Constitution:

(A) Question not related to an item of business to be answered by the Portfolio Holders for Planning, Transport and Countryside and Environment and Transformation submitted by Councillor Carolyne Culver:

"Please can the portfolio holders update the council about their work with local landowners to create offsetting projects for carbon, biodiversity and nutrient neutrality?"

(B) Question not related to an item of business to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transformation submitted by Councillor Steve Masters:

"Given the recent lifting of the moratorium on the extraction of Shale gas (Fracking) by the government, can the portfolio holder outline the current and proposed draft policies regarding Shale gas extraction here in West Berkshire?"

(C) Question not related to an item of business to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Transport and Countryside submitted by Councillor Carolyne Culver:

"Does the portfolio holder have any concerns about the impact of recent government planning policy announcements on our evolving draft Local Plan?"

(D) Question not related to an item of business to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Economic Development submitted by Councillor Steve Masters:

"Does Council expect additional funding from central government in the coming months to reduce the impact on West Berkshire residents from the cost of living crisis that is impacting many families already?"