

Item 14:

Member Questions to be answered at the Executive meeting on 3 July 2025.

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

A. Question submitted by Councillor Ross Mackinnon to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing:

"Does the administration agree with the comments made during the Extraordinary Council meeting by the Executive Member for Transformation that Conservative councillors selected sites for inclusion in the Local Plan because they were in "Liberal Democrat" areas?"

B. Question submitted by Councillor Dominic Boeck to the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources:

"A small charity in my ward is being charged double council tax on two cottages while they are unoccupied. This is a heavy burden that cannot be sustained. What can Council do to support this and other charities who find themselves in a similar situation?"

C. Question submitted by Councillor Ross Mackinnon to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing:

"Would the selection of sites for inclusion in the Local Plan based on the voting patterns of the electorate rather than on planning considerations amount to misconduct in public office?"

D. Question submitted by Councillor Dominic Boeck to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing:

"When applications for major developments in AWE's DEPZ are approved, conditions relating to emergency planning are usually imposed. What responsibility does Council have to ensure such conditions are complied with?"

E. Question submitted by Councillor Ross Mackinnon to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing:

"Does the administration consider that planning officers employed by the Council between 2019-23 were complicit in the selection of sites for the Local Plan based on voting patterns of the electorate?"

F. Question submitted by Councillor Ross Mackinnon to the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources:

"Why has the Council not published details of expenses paid to Councillors since the Liberal Democrats took office?"