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Meeting:CouncilDate:30 November 2022Time:7.00 pmPlace:Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone

To: All Members of the Council

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Dr Susan Priest Chief Executive

6. Questions from Councillors (Pages 3 - 6)

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Up to 45 minutes is allowed for questions from councillors.

Council – 30 November 2022 Councillor Questions:

1. From Councillor Gane to Councillor Field, Cabinet Member for Transport and Digital Transformation

The Car Park in Aldirdge Road, Cherition was closed off because of Travellers issues. However the problem now is that Cars, particularly on a Sunday, are causing a headache for local residents as cars are parking all over the place therefore what action is being taken to open the car park such as a width limit?

2. From Councillor J Martin to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

How were the 40 developers who were invited to bid for the housing land on Prince's Parade selected?

3. From Councillor Jim Martin to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

What are the plans to replace the children's play area on Prince's Parade destroyed by the pre services agreement works carried out by the Council's Contractor?

4. From Councillor Whybrow to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special Projects

Can you please confirm that even though spending on the Princes Parade project has been paused, the badgers and reptiles that have been removed from the site will continue to be monitored by the ecologists?

5. From Councillor Whybrow to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special Projects

If the Princes Parade project were to be stopped, whose responsibility would it be to remove the hoardings?

6. From Councillor Whybrow to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special Projects

Given that the Princes Parade project is now being re evaluated, will you now reconsider the possibility of a leisure centre at Martello Lakes before that opportunity expires?

7. From Councillor Shoob to Councillor Field, Cabinet Member for Transport and Digital Transformation

The council is waiving car parking charges on three Saturdays in the run up to Christmas. What consideration, if any, was given to incentivising travel other than by private car?

8. From Councillor Shoob to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special projects

How long do tenants in the private rented sector need to wait for a council inspection to assess mould, damp or other landlord disrepair?

9. From Councillor Meade to Councillor Peall, Cabinet Member for Enforcement, Regulatory Services, Waste and Building Control

I am receiving more and more complaints regarding inconsiderate residents not clearing up after their dogs. Can you please tell me how many staff we have patrolling on this matter and how many fines were handed out in the last year ?

10. From Councillor Keen to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

How many temporary staff are at present employed by FHDC in comparison to salaried/contracted staff?

11. From Councillor Keen to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

When will staff be returning to work at the Civic Centre?

12. From Councillor Keen to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special Projects

Could we have a breakdown on how much the Princes Parade development has cost the district to date?

13. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Mrs Hollingsbee, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Communities

How has the district council been consulted in relation to Kent police's review of neighbourhood policing?

14. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Housing and Special Projects

Shepway Citizens Advice Bureau is seeing an increasing number of residents facing rent increases and disrepair in their homes. Others working in the field report that poor landlords are more likely to pay a fine than carry out repairs. We have seen the horrendous death of a two year old who died from prolonged exposure to mould. Against this backdrop what is the council's assessment of the disrepair issues we face in the district, what resources does the council have to inspect and deal with disrepair across all types of housing and what is its action plan for doing so?

15. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Prater, Cabinet Member for Revenues, Benefits, Anti-Fraud and Corruption

Please can you provide an update on the Household Support Fund?

16. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Field, Cabinet Member for Transport and Digital Transformation

Please can you provide data for response times to emails from residents to the council, including the proportion where no response has been given at all?

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