

# Questions from members of the public

For Full Council on Wednesday 4 October 2023

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## Procedural Item

To receive any questions from members of the public, of which due notice has been given in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 8, to be submitted and answered.

Details of any questions received will be set out in a supplementary pack to the agenda.

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## Notes on asking questions:

At an ordinary meeting of the Council, any member of the public may ask members of the Cabinet or the chairman of a committee or board a question on any matter within the power or remit of the Council or relevant committee.

Questions may be rejected if it:

- a) Is not about a matter for which the Council has responsibility
- b) Is defamatory, frivolous or offensive
- c) Is substantially the same as a question in the past six months
- d) Requires the disclosure of exempt information

Questions will be asked in the order in which notice of the question was received, except that the Mayor may group together similar questions. Where more than one question is received from a person and there are questions from other people, then the first question from each person will be received in turn before taking the second questions.

If a person asking a question cannot be present at the meeting the Mayor may have the question asked on their behalf or instruct that a written answer be provided.

Someone asking a question at the meeting may ask one supplementary question to clarify anything from the answer. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply.

The total time allocated for questions is 30 minutes, any question which cannot be dealt with during the question time will receive a written answer.

Questions may be submitted by email to [committee@tunbridgewells.gov.uk](mailto:committee@tunbridgewells.gov.uk) at any time up until the deadline for consideration at the next meeting. The deadline for questions for this meeting is **midday on Thursday 30 June 2022**.