Bromsgrove District Council – 20th July 2022 Member Questions

1. From Councillor A. English Question for the Leader

"Many millions of pounds have been spent on the new Bromsgrove railway station. However, there has been a significant reduction in service running south since its construction and now recent timetable changes mean delays for those wanting to travel from Worcester to Barnt Green, Alvechurch and Redditch. Does the Leader share my disappointment at the apparent downgrading of Bromsgrove station and what actions has the leader taken to improve services going south and to instigate a return of the timely Barnt Green and Alvechurch connection?"

2. From Councillor H. Rone-Clarke Question for the Leader

"Many residents are concerned about the number of cases reported to the RSPCA each year of pets being given as prizes via fairgrounds, social media and other channels in England. This issue, we know, predominantly concerns goldfish. Further, many cases of pets being given as prizes may go unreported each year.

Will the leader commit to banning outright, the giving of live animals as prizes, in any form, on Bromsgrove District Council land and write to the UK Government, urging an outright ban on the giving of live animals as prizes on both public and private land?"

3. From Councillor P. McDonald Question for the Leader

"Will this Council abide by the Equalities Act making sure the less able can gain access to Council Meetings? In light of the fact the entrance to the building have large steps."

4. From Councillor R. Hunter Question for the Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Cultural Services and Climate Change

"As the local authority with responsibility for the provision of leisure services, will Bromsgrove District Council do everything in its power to ensure leisure facilities are maintained continuously at the Ryland Centre?"

5. From Councillor J. King

Question for the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulatory Services

"Will you consider the feasibility of demanding Passivhaus or zero carbon homes on all major new developments?"

6. From Councillor S. Robinson Question for the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and Community Safety

"What steps is this council taking to phase out the use of harmful weedkillers containing Glyphosate?"

7. From Councillor C. Hotham Question for the Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Culture and Climate Change

"Please could this council be updated on the progress being made on one of the most significant potential green projects; the district wide geothermal heating scheme?"