

Bromsgrove District Council – 7th December 2022
Member Questions

1. From Councillor P. McDonald
Question for the Chairman

"Does the Chairman not agree with me that he should allow supplementary questions to ensure there is no ambiguity in the response to questions."

2. From Councillor R. Hunter
Question for the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and Community Safety

"It has now been three years since this Council agreed to reverse the long standing neglect of our bus shelters and provide the modern well maintained facilities that residents deserve. However very few improvements have been made and the budget allocation is sitting unspent. I understand there are now further delays due to a review at County Council but please could you provide some reassurance of when you expect so see these much needed improvements actually installed?"

3. From Councillor J. King
Question for the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulatory Services

"Could you please explain why it costs £234 for a planning application for a dropped kerb?"

4. From Councillor S. Robinson
Question for the Portfolio holder for Environmental Services and Community Safety

Are you concerned about the dark open spaces in our town centre that have developed as a result of this Council no longer maintaining lighting on void car parks such as School Drive, Stourbridge Road and Churchfields?

**5. From Councillor S. Douglas
Question for the Leader**

“It appears that less able people who use mobility scooters are being denied access to buses unless they have been assessed by the bus company as to their competence to drive a mobility scooter. This is degrading and humiliating and clearly an example of disability discrimination. This awful situation can result in unaware scooter users being left stranded at the roadside. Will the Leader join with me in condemning this practice and do all she can to ensure that all buses can be used by all appropriately sized mobility scooter users?”

**6. From Councillor C. Hotham
Question for the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and
Community Safety**

“Since the introduction of wheelie bins, residents have been instructed to place the handle side inwards away from the kerb and highway. This seems perverse as it awkward and adds extra work as the operators have to turn the bins round before emptying them. Some residents have taken matters into their own hands and do place the handles towards the highway. Is it now time for the council to review the advice on bin handle positioning?”