

## Questions Raised on Notice by Members of the Public

- (a) **Order of questions:** Questions will be asked in the order in which notice of them was received, except that the Chairman of the Council may group together similar questions.
- (b) **Number of questions:** At any one meeting no person may submit more than one question and no more than one question may be asked on behalf of one organisation.
- (c) **Time Allocated:** A maximum of three minutes shall be allowed for the question to be read. The period for questions by the public shall be limited so that no further question shall be put after the elapse of 15 minutes from the commencement of the first question.
- (d) **Asking the question at the meeting:** The Chairman will invite the questioner to put the question to the member named in the notice. If a questioner who has submitted a written question is unable to be present, they may ask the Chairman to put the question on their behalf. The Chairman may ask the question on the questioner's behalf, indicate that a written reply will be given or decide, in the absence of the questioner, that the question will not be dealt with.
- (e) **Supplementary question:** A questioner who has put a question in person may also put one supplementary question without notice to the member who has replied to his or her original question. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply. The Chairman may reject a supplementary question on any of the grounds in Rule 11.5 of the Council Procedure Rules.
- (f) **Discussion:** Any member may be allowed, at the Chairman's discretion, up to two minutes to speak on a question/reply.
- (g) **Reference of question to the executive or a committee:** Any member may move that a matter raised by a question be referred to the executive or the appropriate committee or sub-committee.

## Questions to the Executive

In accordance with Rule 11 of the Council Procedure Rules, notice was given by member(s) of the public to ask the following question(s):

**(1) Sarah Gleave will ask the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regulatory Services:**

“Are the DDC new Local Plan team going to integrate the recommendations of the Town and Country Planning Association on how local authorities can plan for the climate crisis (Planning for Climate Change refers - with its examples of how councils can get low-carbon social housing and protect greenfield by

means of robust dealing with volume developers) into the draft document before the document goes to public consultation in January 2020?”

**(2) Dominic Howden will ask the Leader of the Council:**

“Britain is currently at 50% food self-sufficiency, and dropping. How does Dover District Council plan to cope with food shortages in the very near future as an immediate consequence of Brexit, and in the longer term as a consequence of the Climate Emergency?”

**(3) Hamish Napier will ask the Leader of the Council:**

“At the last council meeting, then-leader Keith Morris talked about replacing polluting council vehicles with electric ones, as the leases naturally ran out. So, which is more important: Climate Emergency, or money?”

**(4) Tyler Howell-Bray will ask the Leader of the Council:**

“If I can draw your attention to Section 1.6c, Communication, Keys Asks, Short Term, of the DDC EU Exit Preparedness Report: you say you would like “assurances” from Kent County Council and the Government that they will “engage” with you regarding Brexit preparedness and the post-Brexit environment. I was under the impression that several DDC Members also sit on KCC. Are you that confident about communication, at this late stage, that you’re having to beg for them to talk to you?”