

Questions Raised on Notice by Members of the Public

(a) To the Executive

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

(1) John Hayter will ask the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Governance, Digital and Climate Change:

“DDC have declared a “Climate Emergency”. The Queen on the 19th of October stated “that it is up to all political leaders, business and civil society to align in the SHARED RESPONSIBILITY of saving the planet”. Currently DDC employees are able to park free of charge outside their offices at Whitfield. Why then aren’t DDC employees incentivised in the same manner as the Dover residents parking permits and pay parking/emission charge when parked outside their place of work at Whitfield?”

(2) Graham Wanstall will ask the Leader of the Council:

“It is encouraging that you have established a committee to consider plans for the Platinum Jubilee, however, it is frustrating that only district members invited to serve on it as this important national celebration concerns us all. It should be inclusive not exclusive! To date there has been little imagination or vision with ideas to permanently mark this unique jubilee. I put forward five proposals listed now and ask that you please give them proper consideration.

- 1) A commemorative clock at Pencester Gardens by the bus station to replace the clock removed about five years ago by DDC
- 2) To relight again the Town Hall clock that was lit up until about 40 years ago with a plaque to explain why again lit up.
- 3) To name Castle Hill from its junction with Victoria Park to the top “Queen Elizabeth II Hill”. This is a busy main road next to Dover Castle and has no residents to consult. This is an appropriate location for these reasons, I submit.
- 4) One or two slabs imprinted or similar into the pavements in front of the war memorial or/and in the Market Square to show the crown etc and the relevant 70 years. This was done in Canterbury in 1977 and still there today! (For the silver jubilee)
- 5) To rename the Eastern Docks “Jubilee Eastern Docks” so the whole world will remember the jubilee when travelling.

Will you please give these constructive proposals serious consideration as time is now short, in the spirit intended?

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.7, the Chairman will invite the questioner to put the question exactly as submitted 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.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.8, 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.

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.

Any questions which cannot be dealt with during public question time, either because of lack of time or because of the non-attendance of the member to whom it was to be put, will be dealt with by a written answer.