

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public who either lives or works in the area of the authority.

The question will be answered without discussion. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion. The person to whom a question, or supplementary question, has been put may decline to answer it.

The following written questions have been received from members of the public.

(a) Mr John McInnes

“Currently most B&H schools have a dedicated Ethnic Minority Achievement Service specialist teacher working directly with pupils new to English on a weekly basis. It is proposed that EMAS, a frontline teaching service, is to lose its entire council funding of £165,000. This cut has led to the proposal that two teachers would have responsibility for all schools, 54 primary, 9 secondary and 6 special. How does this ‘further develop the effectiveness of provision for EAL/BME pupils?’”

