

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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

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

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

(a) Ms. Paynter

“Hove museum is located in a converted 1877 dwelling house. It is now proposed to sell Hove's graceful, gravitas-heavy and Listed early 20th century Carnegie building and to transfer a proportion of the existing library service to a newbuild annex space behind Brooker Hall's warren of cubby-hole rooms. What are the last five years', and projected, Brooker Hall repair and maintenance costs compared to the claimed cost of retaining the Carnegie Library for, say, another 20 years, regardless of who or what will have responsibility for the ageing Brooker Hall Museum service, be it a Trust or whatever.”

Councillor Morgan, Leader of the Council will reply.

(b) Mr. C. Hawtree

“Would Councillor Morgan please tell us why it is only with this Library Plan that it has apparently become necessary to replace all of the roof at Hove's Carnegie Library and, what's more, with slate at an extraordinary cost?”

Councillor Morgan, Leader of the Council will reply.

(c) Mr. D. Burton

Can the Council acknowledge the high level of local support for turning the Westdene Barn into a community-run hub by granting us a lease on the premises so that it can be used for community events and activities to engage a wide range of local people?

Councillor Daniel, Chair of the Neighbourhoods, Communities & Equalities Committee will reply.

