

**COUNTY COUNCIL
19 SEPTEMBER 2013**

**QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER
16.1.1**

First Questions:

- 1. From Councillor Martin Tod to the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment:**

"I reported a dangerously broken drain cover on the Stockbridge Road outside St Matthew's Church in Weeke, Winchester more than 9 months ago on 7th December 2012. The works were assessed as needing action and passed to the contractor on April 5th, 2013. At the time of writing it has not been fixed. Is this the oldest outstanding repair in Hampshire? If not, what is the oldest one and where is it? And is the portfolio holder happy about this situation?"

- 2. From Councillor Jackie Porter to the Executive Member for Education:**

"Has the County Council considered how it can support young people travelling to education in the academic year in which they reach 17 now that education and/or training is compulsory for this age group?"

- 3. From Councillor Criss Connor to the Executive Member for Adult Social Care:**

"With reference to the proposed changes to Adult Social Care provision through the closure of four care homes and one day centre, and the agreement of the Executive Member to proceed with a full public consultation at her decision day on 26 July 2013, would the Executive Member for Adult Social Care agree to refer the matter to the Safe and Healthy People Select Committee, in order to enable a wider group of Members, many of whom are new to the Council, to engage in the process via a full debate?"

- 4. From Councillor Ray Finch to the Executive Member for Health & Wellbeing (Public Health):**

"There is little doubt that due to immigration and an increasingly elderly population, the Accident & Emergency departments of our Acute Hospitals will face their most challenging winter ever. Community services, including extended GP opening hours, are not available. What plans are being

made to ensure our hospitals do not become gridlocked and the people of Hampshire receive a satisfactory and safe service?"

5. From Councillor Chris Lagdon to the Executive Member for Adult Social Care:

"How can the Executive Member for Adult Social Care assure this Council that she can remain neutral and that she has no conflict of interest given her division's proximity to the Deeside Care Home, which is one of the four homes at present under consultation for closure by her department, also given the pressure she is being put under by the campaign group at Deeside concerning her re-election prospects."

6. From Councillor Chris Carter to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services:

"Can the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services tell us what progress has been made regarding the new partnership with the Isle of Wight Children's Services Department?"

7. From Councillor John Wall to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services:

"Can the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services update the Council on the number of Foster Carers in the County?"

8. From Councillor Rob Humby to the Executive Member for Education:

Can the Executive Member for Education update the Council on this year's GCSE and A level results in the County?"

9. From Councillor Andrew Gibson to the Executive Member for Education:

"Can the Executive Member for Education provide up-to-date information on the availability of primary school places in the County."

Second Questions:

10. From Councillor Jackie Porter to the Executive Member for Education:

"Could the Executive Member tell us the outcomes of the quality assessments made on Children's Centres within the last year please? We are told that a number 'require improvement'. Could the Executive Member tell us how many are in that category, and how this is being remedied?"

Third Questions:

11. From Councillor Jackie Porter to the Executive Member for Policy & Resources:

“The Broadband improvement map was promised some months ago, but to date hasn't been published on the website. When will it be there?”