

North Tyneside Council

Report to Council

Date: 23 March 2017

ITEM 13

Title: Questions by
Members of the Council

Notice has been received of the following questions from Members of the Council to be put to the Council meeting.

1. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor J Wallace

Can the Mayor explain why a resident paid £2.40 more to take his grandchild swimming in North Tyneside during half term than he did the following week, bearing in mind that they went at the same time on the same day of the week and they were both in possession of Ease cards on both occasions?

2. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor E Hodson

Does the Mayor share my regret that the new Civic car is diesel fuelled rather than by cleaner electricity?

3. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor E Hodson

Could the Mayor update Council concerning the Combined Authority's uncertainty as to whether to work with the Government, in order to gain greater independence and authority for the Region, or not?

4. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor E Hodson

Could the Mayor inform Council as to the Combined Authority's plan of action by which to secure the best possible Brexit result, for the North East of England - including North Tyneside?

5. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor J Wallace

Since fishing has been an important industry in North Tyneside and will be even more important once we leave the European Union, what is the Elected Mayor doing to encourage that industry?

6. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor S Graham

The three ward Councillors for Whitley Bay have grave concerns about the government's proposal to close the DWP office in Whitley Bay in March 2018. This closure will require local residents in the coastal area of the Borough seeking work or training opportunities to travel to the nearest DWP office in North

Shields. In many cases this additional travel will cause financial hardship to local residents who are on very low incomes.

Would the Elected Mayor, write to the Secretary of State expressing the grave concerns of the Council and call for the proposed closure to be reversed?