

# North Tyneside Council

## Report to Council

### Date: 20 July 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 E Hodson

In correspondence the Mayor has revealed that she supports Officer recommendations to build an energy from waste plant in Howdon, adjacent to the regional sewerage works. This plant will burn household waste imported from other Authorities at a rate of more than 500 tonnes per day. This will cause some stresses for North Tyneside residents. In particular, incoming truckloads of waste, outgoing truckloads of dust and ash, the disposal of effluent cleansing liquids and solids, plant noise and health threatening smoke emitted from the chimney.

Does the Mayor know of any advantages that will accrue to North Tyneside citizens as a result of this plant?

2. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor E Hodson

In the recent Mayoral election the Mayor's manifesto detailed her determination to maintain the Council's weekly collection and disposal of household waste. However the proposed energy from waste plant in Howdon will receive household waste from neighbouring Authorities that is two weeks, 3 weeks or even 4 weeks old.

How will the Mayor maintain her manifesto undertaking in the light of the age of this imported waste?

3. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor W Lott

Council accepted a motion at its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and a further report at the meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017, regarding residents concerns at the NHS provision in North Tyneside.

Can the Mayor update the Council on what has happened with the proposed new North Tyneside urgent care 24 hour provision, and comment on the extension of the early closure of the existing urgent care cover at Rake Lane Hospital.