ITEM 12

North Tyneside Council Report to Council Date: 28 September

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 K Barrie

Can the Mayor tell me what the procedure is for the inspection and maintenance of the Navigation Beacon at the entrance to Cullercoats Harbour and when it is carried out?

2. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor K Barrie

Can the Mayor tell me, if North Tyneside Council have purchased any private or council housing in the North Tyneside area, how many and the total cost?

3. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor P Mason

North Tyneside Council is currently in discussions with developers who wish to build thousands of houses in the borough. Many of these homes will be sold as leasehold tying buyers to onerous payments of ground rents. The Communities Secretary said he wants to put a stop to this "unjust" and "unnecessary" practice.

Would the Mayor ensure that council Officers broach this subject with the developers?

4. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor M Huscroft

Can the Mayor please inform the Council what action is being taken to bring the former Buddle School more recently, Buddle Arts Centre, back into full use and what programme of repairs has been scheduled.

5. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor N Huscroft

I have recently reported some gullies which have appeared to be completely blocked.

Can the Mayor please advise Council members how often routine inspections of gullies take place? And also how often periodic reviews of where and how often these inspections take place are carried out.