

Council 17 June 2015 - Questions submitted by Members

Question No.	Question from:	Question:	Question to:	Service area:
1	Cllr Roger Truelove	Swale Council is responsible for 78 Play Areas throughout the Borough. Many of these were first equipped in 1989 and they are often derelict and plainly out of date. Play Areas, such as those at Hazebrouk Road, Faversham; Manor Grove, Sittingbourne; and New Road, Minster are in desperate need of investment. Can the Council commit to a programme of one off capital investment of £500K for this important community asset?	Leader	
2	Cllr James Hunt	Can the Cabinet Member for Finance please tell me how successful the council was in the last financial year in collecting council tax and what procedures are there in place to collect arrears?	Cabinet Member for Finance	Amber Christou/Head of Housing
3	Cllr Cameron Beart	How many Planning Enforcement cases were handled by Swale Borough Council compared to neighbouring authorities in the past year?	Cabinet Member for Planning	James Freeman/Head of Planning
4	Cllr George Samuel	Can the Cabinet Member for Localism, Sport, Heritage and Culture confirm the number of organisations which benefitted from Members' Localism and other Council grants schemes last year?	Cabinet Member for Localism, Sport, Culture and Heritage	Emma Wiggins/Head of Economy and Communities
5	Cllr Sarah Aldridge	Will the Cabinet Member consider how we might better use technology to cut the cost of democracy in Swale, particularly by the use of tablets as replacement for paper agenda and committee reports?"	Cabinet Member for Performance	ICT Shared Services/Andy Cole

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6.	Cllr Mike Baldock	Can the Leader inform the Council as to what action is being taken with respect to the apparently unlawful tipping activities around Hernhill and Dargate and assure us that Swale Borough Council will work closely with other agencies including KCC and the Environment Agency to ensure this activity is closed down?	Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs	Emma Wiggins/Head of Economy and Communities
7.	Cllr Katy Coleman	Can you confirm how the Green Cluster Study on Milton Creek compares with the current priorities for Swale Borough Council, and give an indication as to the time scale for the development of the Barge Museum, Skate Park and Leisure facilities planned for the area?"	Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs	Emma Wiggins/Head of Economy and Communities