

QUESTION No. 1
Priority 1

LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM

COUNCIL MEETING

20 JULY 2016

Question by Councillor Hall
of the Mayor

Question

How will the Mayor work with the new Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan?

Reply

I am already working with Mayor Khan and his team and have been since his election. I have had informal discussions with the Mayor himself and several of the Deputy Mayors. I also wrote formally to congratulate the Mayor on his election. In particular I have been working closely with the Deputy Mayor for Housing in my role as London Councils lead member for Housing.

I have taken every opportunity to impress on the Mayor and his team that the extension of the Bakerloo Line is a priority for this Borough and I expect to meet the Deputy Mayor for Transport more formally in the near future to discuss this and other issues.

I expect to continue to work with the Mayor and his deputies for the foreseeable future and welcome the recent appointment of the former chair of London Councils, Mayor Jules Pipe, as Deputy Mayor for Planning.

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Question by Councillor Jacq Paschoud
of the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Question

Pause, a project to support women who have had multiple children removed by social services, has run pilots in Greenwich and Southwark locally and in other parts of the country. These women tend to have multiple vulnerabilities, some of which, such as drug or alcohol abuse, may cause lifelong damage to their children before birth.

We may protect children who are in danger, improving the self-esteem of women used to abuse, helping them to make better life choices, and gain maturity and control has been proven to end the cycle of inadequate or unsafe parenting. Are there plans to run such a project in Lewisham?

Reply

We are aware of the Pause programme and as a Children and Young People's Directorate, have received a recent briefing and presentation on this programme and the success it has had to date. The programme addresses a range of outcomes, not only for Children's Services, but other Directorates and given the financial outlay required for the programme, we will hold discussions with other parts of the Council and other partners on its use, value for money and potential impact in Lewisham as a next stage.

QUESTION No. 3
Priority 2

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Question by Councillor Hall
of the Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Resources

Question

Would the Cabinet Member give an update on the Council's relationship with the Municipal Bonds Agency?

Reply

The Council is a shareholder in the Municipal Bonds Agency (MBA) – see Council decision of 17 September 2014.

The Council does not hold any borrowing with the MBA nor does the Council have a significant borrowing requirement at present. For this reason the Council has had no need to approach the MBA or other parties to raise finance.