

**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 47.**

**Priority 1**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

Is London and Quadrant a provider of heated water and heating?

Why is it not possible for L&Q leaseholders to change heated water and heating providers?

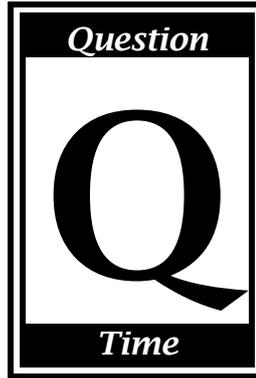
**Reply**

I have asked L&Q to provide a response to your question, this is set out below.

L&Q's communal heating systems are all managed by the L&Q Energy Team and they are very happy to speak to any residents if they have any questions at all. The Energy Team are also happy to attend resident meetings and explain how the heating systems work, how we charge for the heat etc. We can be contacted at [lqenergy@lqgroup.org.uk](mailto:lqenergy@lqgroup.org.uk) or on our own bespoke number: 0333 003 3733

The reason residents cannot change their heating and hot water provider is because on Phase 4C of Silwood, there is a communal heating system which means there is one plant room providing all properties with heat and hot water. L&Q installed communal heating systems in order to get planning permission to build new

developments in London. We then by default became the heating and hot water provider to the residents because we own the communal heating system, we buy the gas to power it, convert that into heat and hot water and sell it on to residents. It's therefore not possible to change this as the communal heating system is the only one way for residents to get their heating and hot water.



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**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Mark Morris

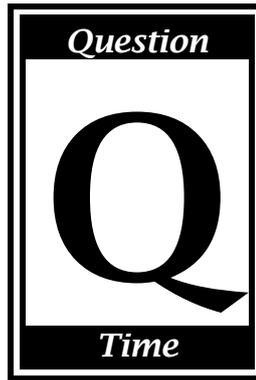
Member to reply: Councillor Onikosi

**Question**

Around Rushey Green ward on pavements on numerous roads, such as Bradgate, Brookdale, Doggett, Nelgarde and Silvermere, there are extensive amounts of weeds. Why are the pavements in Rushey Green in such a poor state and what plans are there to ensure that pavements in Rushey Green are maintained to a reasonable standard?

**Reply**

There is currently a weed spraying programme being carried out to all the pavements across the whole of the borough, this should be completed by mid-July. Once the herbicide has been applied it can take up to 3 weeks for the weed to die back and then the street sweepers will remove the dead weeds from the pavements.



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**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Helen Mercer

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

I note that Rydon began work on a housing project in Lewisham in July 2016, promising: "well insulated building fabric."

<http://www.rydon.co.uk/news/rydon-officially-starts-work-on-88-new-homes-in-lewisham->

Has the Council assured itself that this is NOT the same 'well insulated building fabric' that caused the conflagration at Grenfell Tower - namely aluminium panels with a polyethylene core?

Has the Council assured itself similarly with regard to the other developments involving Rydon, such as

<http://www.rydon.co.uk/news/raising-the-roof-at-hazelhurst-court-in-lewisham->.

Has the Council assured itself that tower blocks built in the last 10 years on the Lewisham Gateway, Loampit Vale and Thurston Road sites do not use the same cladding materials?

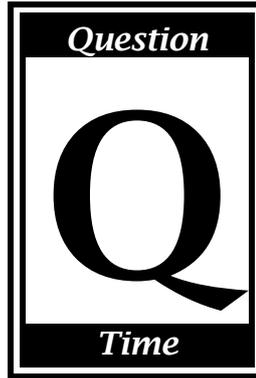
If the Council has found any building which has used such cladding or where Rydon has been involved in the construction, what steps is it taking to protect the citizens of Lewisham from possible hazards?

### **Reply**

The specific circumstances responsible for the tragedy at Grenfell Tower are now the subject of a full public enquiry. It is important to wait for the evidence to emerge before making assumptions or judgements about the cause of the fire.

The Council's comprehensive response was outlined in a detailed report considered by the Housing Select Committee report the 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017, which is available here: <http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=135&MId=4606&Ver=4>).

This report highlights the extensive work undertaken by the Council to seek and obtain reassurances from all partners, and every landlord of every building of six or more stories in Lewisham. This process included asking for, and receiving, reassurances from the Phoenix Community Housing Association, and from the One Housing Group, who own and are developing the two specific projects you mention.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 50.**

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**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Emily Frith

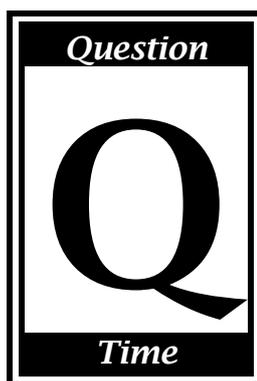
Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

Pedestrian access between Catford and Catford Bridge stations remains poor. Does the Council have any plans to improve the route between the two stations? Are there still plans for the creation of a public plaza?

**Reply**

Council officers have been investigating the potential to improve pedestrian accessibility for these two important stations and to enhance the routes between them. Part of the Housing Zone funding awarded to the Council for Catford town centre from the Mayor for London is set aside as an allowance for some early interventions around these stations. We have also been analysing how the wider area around the stations could be better linked into this important node. That work is now drawing to a close and our next step will be to talk to key landowners to determine whether agreements can be reached to progress improvements and to release the funds from the GLA. There will still be public space between the two stations including an improved riverside setting, but the construction of the final phase of the Barratt scheme adjacent to Catford Station based on the original planning consent means that the larger piazza suggested as part of the revised proposals incorporating a 19 story tower will not be delivered.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 51.**

**Priority 1**

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**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Sarah McMichael

Member to reply: Councillor Bonavia

**Question**

I understand that the 2016 budget tapered out council's grants, ending in 2020, replacing them with councils' ability to keep business rates they collect. I would like to understand what financial position this leaves the Council in. In particular please advise:-

1. What was the full amount of this grant received and how much did the Council raise in business rates in 2015 and 2016?
2. Has a committee or part of the council been tasked specifically with increasing business rates? If so who? If not what approach is the council taking to replacing lost grant income?
3. What steps have/are already planned to be taken to encourage businesses to Lewisham's employment and retail areas and how are these areas being protected, strengthened and grown?

## Reply

### **1. What was the full amount of this grant received and how much did the Council raise in business rates in 2015 and 2016?**

The Council receives a number of grants from central Government. The one that is considered for the Council's General Fund is the Revenue Support Grant (RSG). The Council received / is forecast to receive the following RSG:

2015/16	£73.7m
2016/17	£59.6m
2017/18	£46.2m
2018/19	£36.9m
2019/20	£27.5m

In recent years, the RSG from central Government has reduced significantly such that it is no longer a primary income source for the Council's General Fund. The other substantial income components of the General Fund derive from Council Tax and Business Rates.

In the case of Business Rates, these are set by central Government. The Council's role is to collect the revenue and report to central Government. The Government then applies a formula that allows the Council to retain part of the revenue and provides additional funding to reflect the fact that Lewisham is a borough which has a low business base. The Council received / is forecast to receive the following in Business Rate Revenue (together with central Government redistribution element)

2015/16	£86.4m
2016/17	£87.1m
2017/18	£88.9m
2018/19	£91.7m
2019/20	£95.0m

The proposed Government plan to eliminate RSG and move to local government being fully self-funded through Council Tax and Business Rates income is on hold following the 7 June General Election. The required Local Government Finance Act to do this did not form part of the subsequent Queen's Speech in June 2017, so the current position remains uncertain.

### **2. Has a committee or part of the council been tasked specifically with increasing business rates? If so who? If not what approach is the council taking to replacing lost grant income?**

No specific committee has been established with the remit to increase business rate revenue in Lewisham. However, the Council has and continues to maintain Lewisham's position in seeking a fair approach in the Government's proposed devolution of business rates to London government.

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s45417/business%20rate%20and%20need%20consultation%20PAC%20Sept%2016.pdf>

In the meantime, the Council's approach to managing its budget, including addressing funding reductions, starts with the Medium Term Financial Strategy review in July at Public Accounts and Mayor & Cabinet. This is followed by scrutiny of savings in the autumn which then rolls into the budget setting process, which culminates with Council setting the budget in February each year. In 2015, the Council adopted a strategy (Lewisham 2020) seeking to apply a fair and productive approach towards the massive past and projected reduction in its income

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s39593/Lewisham%202020%205%20year%20Forward%20view.pdf>

Lewisham 2020 promotes four strands in this approach:

- Creating the conditions where communities will be able to support the delivery of services;
- Actively exploring all opportunities to share services;
- Digitising our services and our interactions with residents (to help simplify and manage demand); and
- Developing entrepreneurial approaches to income generation, particularly in relation to assets.

Specifically in respect of income generation, this was a key work strand for the Public Accounts Committee in 2016/17.

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s39322/06IncomeGenerationCoverReport281015.pdf>

This reviewed opportunities for 1) raising fees and charges for existing services, 2) extending and trading existing services with new customers, and 3) developing new areas of business that will save costs or generate revenue streams in a more commercial manner. The third point includes ensuring we are commercial in our contract management and encouraging the bringing forward of regeneration and development schemes with business and residential income growth potential.

One of the recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee was to make income generation a specific Cabinet responsibility, which I have now taken on. I am currently working to implement the recommendations of the Public Accounts Select Committee. This work includes restructuring Council departments in order to adopt the more commercial approach, particularly in procurement and operation of contracts with third party providers.

**3. What steps have/are already planned to be taken to encourage businesses to Lewisham's employment and retail areas how are these areas being protected, strengthened and grown?'**

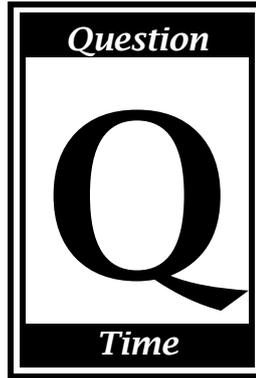
The Lewisham Core Strategy 2011 sets out the Council's vision, objectives, strategy and policies to guide public and private sector investment, in order to manage development and regeneration in the borough over the next 15 years.

<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/planning/policy/Documents/CoreStrategyAdoptedVersion.pdf>

The Council will shortly be preparing a new Lewisham Local Plan which will include a refreshed Business Growth Strategy, Employment Land Review and Retail Capacity Study. This will set out the land the Council will protect for employment, industrial and retail use; and for developers and occupiers the areas and sectors that they may wish to invest, relocate to, and generate jobs in the borough.

The Council has successfully launched a network of award winning Dek workspaces and generic business support to encourage start-ups and businesses into Catford, Place/Ladywell and Deptford; and attracted £1m European Regeneration Development Fund to commence delivery of specialist business growth support in the autumn, through a knowledge-transfer partnership with Goldsmith, Southbank and London Business Support Centre.

In parallel, the Council has strengthened its the Economy and Partnerships team to focus more strategically on promoting Lewisham, its town centres and new developments, as a place to do business. The team will also enhance business engagement to better understand their start-up and growth needs, and endeavour to bid for additional funds to support it; and strengthen the wider business support ecosystem in Lewisham with key partners in order to influence and develop economic vitality in our employment and retail areas.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 52.**

**Priority 1**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Nicola Blackwell

Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

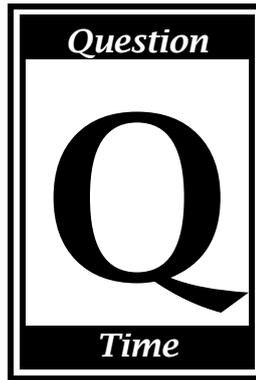
The residents of Meadowview Road were informed that both the London Borough of Lewisham and the London Borough of Bromley councils will be doing a joint comprehensive study of Meadowview Road, and in doing so forming a plan to tackle its terrible parking, speeding and safety issues. The residents were promised that they would have double yellow lines by April and this did not materialise, they were then promised June, and again the councils failed to meet the deadline. Can the Mayor inform the residents of Meadowview Road when they will, without fail, install the double yellow lines on Meadowview Road? And further to this, inform the residents of the plans they have decided upon including dates of the expected works for Meadowview Road in regards to the parking, speeding and pedestrian safety?

**Reply**

Meadowview Road is now subject to a 20mph speed limit which was recently implemented by Lewisham Council with the agreement of the London Borough of Bromley. We will be monitoring speeds along Meadowview Road and will introduce further speed reduction measures should they be necessary, starting with our highest priority areas in line with our approach across the Borough. We can also offer residents the opportunity to take part in Community Roadwatch. For further

information, please contact the Road Safety Team  
via [roadsafetyeducation@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafetyeducation@lewisham.gov.uk).

A Traffic Management Order (TMO) including a proposal to install new lengths of double yellow line along Meadowview Road and at its junctions Worseley Bridge Road and Southend Lane is currently in production by Lewisham Council, with the agreement of the London Borough of Bromley. The required statutory consultation for this order will commence before the end of September this year and will provide residents with the opportunity to comment on the proposed design. This will include additional consultation on proposals to amend the current footway parking arrangements along the whole length of Meadowview Road. Installation of the new road markings will be subject to the outcome of the consultation process, but would be expected to be in place before the end of the year.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 53.**

**Priority 2**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

What services is L&Q supposed to provide on the Silwood Estate?

**Reply**

Please find below a comprehensive list of the services L&Q provide on the Silwood Estate.

**Grounds maintenance**

**Communal Cleaning**

**Pest control**

**Servicing of playground equipment**

**Communal refuse Bin Hire**

**Bulk Refuse collection**

**Communal pest control**

**Building insurance**

**Communal light bulb replacement**

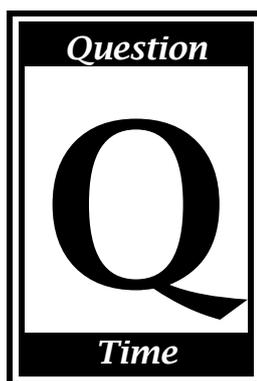
**Communal heating system/maintenance servicing**

**Caretaker cleaning supplies**

**Communal repairs**

**Communal electricity consumption**  
**Electrical equipment maintenance and servicing**  
**Fire Protection equipment maintenance**  
**Door entry system maintenance and line charge**  
**Sinking fund contribution**

Please note that all the above information is sent to all residents within their service charge breakdown.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 54.**

**Priority 2**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Mark Morris

Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

Policy 6.13 of the London Plan on page 267 of the document states: "In addition, developments in all parts of London must:

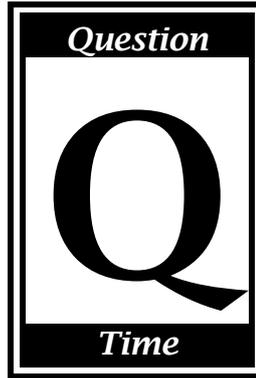
a. ensure that 1 in 5 spaces (both active and passive) provide an electrical charging point to encourage the uptake of electric vehicles'. Please set out how this policy has been implemented in all planning decisions in Lewisham over the last three years. Where this policy has not been implemented please state the reasons why this has not happened.

**Reply**

We expect new developments to meet London Plan policy 6.13 which requires that 1 parking space in 5 are provided with a vehicle charging point.

The provision of electrical charging points is only required where there are parking spaces being proposed within the development.

A search of our planning decisions is available by using the following link:  
<http://planning.lewisham.gov.uk/online-applications/>



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 55.**

**Priority 2**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Helen Mercer

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

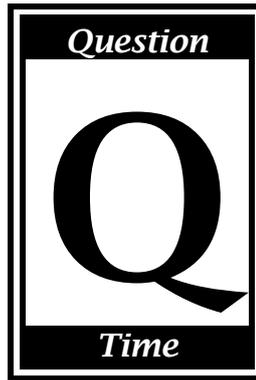
Has the Council assured itself that Rydon is providing a decent level of service provision for other maintenance projects, such as the Heathside and Lethbridge estate, Christopher Boone's alms-houses and the Brockley Housing PFI?

**Reply**

Rydon Construction built Phase 1 of the Parkside (Heathside and Lethbridge) Regeneration – it completed in 2012. They do not provide a maintenance service to Peabody (previously Family Mosaic).

The buildings are mostly brick, with a small amount of cladding panels. Peabody, in line with other housing providers has been working closely with DCLG following the Grenfell House tragedy and has sent sample panels from this building (and other similar buildings in their stock) for testing. DCLG have now confirmed that because no aluminium composite materials were found in these panels, that they do not consider a full flammability test necessary. Following this good news and to give their residents (who have been kept informed of this process) further comfort, Peabody have decided to commission and independent fire safety audit at Parkside.

The Brockley PFI contract is managed by RB3, who provide Housing services on behalf of the Council to the occupants of over 1800 properties included within the contract. The Council has a well-established performance management process for monitoring the level of service provided as part of this contract, covering a number of Key Performance Indicators. These are discussed at regular meetings, which also offer the Council the opportunity to discuss specific matters arising.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 56.**

**Priority 2**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Emily Frith

Member to reply: Councillor Smith

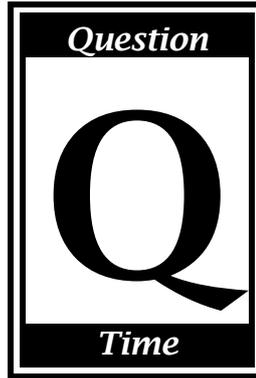
**Question**

Will the Council work with TfL and ensure a pedestrian crossing is installed at Brownhill Road at the junction with Torridon Road?

**Reply**

Following lobbying from the Council and local community, TfL are in the design process for the entire length of Brownhill Road, with all its junctions from Plassy Road to Verdant Lane, including Torridon Road. The preliminary design will be safety audited and subject to funding availability we understand TfL will progress the scheme to the next stage, to prepare the detail design of all sections of Brownhill Road.

We understand that this financial year, 2017/18, TfL will be seeking all the approvals needed for the detail design, which would include a public consultation. Provided that all their internal technical approvals are granted and subject to funding availability, they may be in a position to start delivery of all or part of the scheme in the next financial year 2018/19.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 57.**

**Priority 3**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

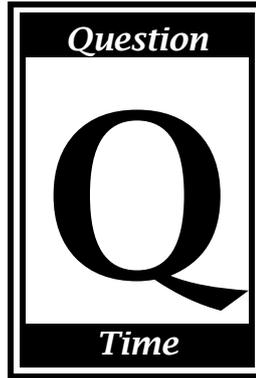
**Question**

What services is Council supposed to provide on the Silwood Estate?

**Reply**

The Silwood Estate crosses the Lewisham and Southwark borough boundary, and as such both Lewisham Council and Southwark Council provide services on the estate.

These services are in addition to those provided by L&Q, which are outlined in the answer to question PQ07. The Council provides a range of statutory and non-statutory services on the estate including waste collection, pest control and litter clearance in the public realm and services like means-tested grants for disabled residents who need their home adapted and the investigation and serving of notice against statutory nuisances like noise pollution.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 58.**

**Priority 3**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Mark Morris

Member to reply: Councillor Best

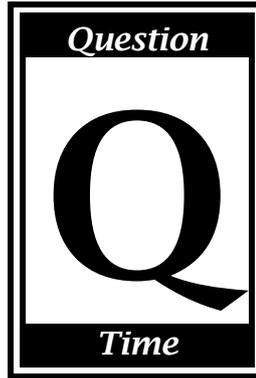
**Question**

I understand that last year Lewisham Council received income from Uber for sponsorship of the Blackheath fireworks display. Please state what was the amount received from Uber? Please also state why Lewisham Council, which claims to be a London Living Wage employer, considers it acceptable to co-operate and receive sponsorship from a company when it is widely reported that many of Uber drivers do not even receive the statutory minimum wage and where the company is challenging the GMB union over its successful legal case to ensure Uber drivers are entitled to basic employment rights.

**Reply**

Lewisham Council was approached by Uber, who offered to make a donation for each new person who signs up to their service, using a Blackheath Fireworks code. The code was valid for one year. We promoted that offer on our fireworks page on the website to raise much needed funds towards the cost of the event. In total £490 was raised. Uber were not a sponsor for fireworks; they received no sponsor benefits, recognition or logo placement for the code that they offered. The council must raise around £65,000 of income to run the event; the majority of which comes from bars, catering, sponsorship and online and bucket collections from the public.

We are always looking for different ways to keep the event running and work closely with new and existing partners to keep this popular display going. The event attracts around 80,000 visitors to the local area and benefits many local businesses.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 59.**

**Priority 3**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Emily Frith

Member to reply: Councillor Onikosi

**Question**

Will the Council explore ways of reducing the frequency of unsightly business waste being left out in Blackheath Village for collection and the length of time waste can be left out for, given the risk of bags being split by foxes and uncollected waste attracting vermin?

**Reply**

Council Officer's will be meeting with Dame Helen Reeves from the Blackheath society to walk around the village observing where business waste is being left out.

Local businesses have recently been written to reminding them of the details of the trade refuse collection service times. A copy of the letter is attached.



Commercial Waste  
Refuse & Recycling  
Wearside Service Centre  
Wearside Road  
London, SE13 7EZ

26/06/2017

Dear Business in Blackheath

**RE: TRADE REFUSE BAGS COLLECTION IN BLACKHEATH.**

Due to multiple complaints from residents and businesses about rubbish in Blackheath, it has become necessary to remind you of the Trade Refuse Collection Service times

To ensure that Blackheath is kept clean, clear and tidy, the Trade Refuse Service will be coming through Blackheath during the following times only:

***Day Time Service***

Monday – Friday: 6am – 8am and 4pm – 5pm.

***Night Time Service***

Wednesday – Sunday: 12.30am – 1am and 4am – 4.15am

**BAGS MUST ONLY BE PUT OUTSIDE DURING THESE TIMES.**

Under **NO** circumstance should any refuse be put out in **black** bags.

Flats above can order orange bags from the local authority by contacting  
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/wasterecycle/your-bins/Pages/wheelie-bins.aspx>

if you have been provided with Lewisham Trade Bags, please ensure to use them at all times. Additional trade bags can be obtained from

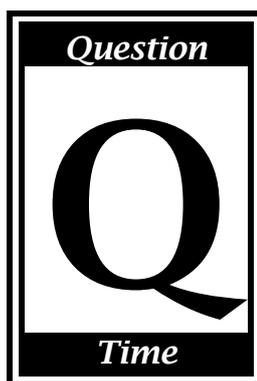
[commercialwaste@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:commercialwaste@lewisham.gov.uk)

For businesses which do not have a contract with the London Borough of Lewisham, refuse is not to be left out on the pavements at any times. Should you wish to open a Trade Account please contact [commercialwaste@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:commercialwaste@lewisham.gov.uk)

Failure to adhere to the lawful disposal of refuse as set out in this letter could result in appropriate action taken against businesses or individuals.

Yours faithfully

Michael Bryan  
Group Service Manager



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 60.**

**Priority 4**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Daby

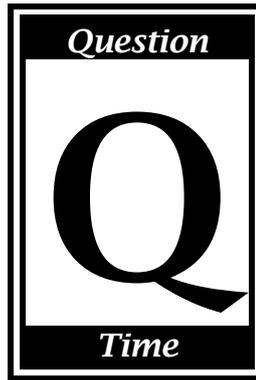
**Question**

Are there going to be CCTV cameras on Bolina Road?

**Reply**

Currently the Council has no plans to install CCTV at this location and has had no requests to do so. If you have cause for concern then we would be happy to talk to you in order to find out the issues that you have and why you believe CCTV could be the answer to addressing those issues.

The nearest Council owned CCTV is on the corner of Surrey Cannel Road and Landmann Way.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 61.**

**Priority 4**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Mark Morris

Member to reply: Councillor Onikosi

**Question**

At the date of submitting this question (15th June 2017) it would appear from the London Fire Brigade website register <http://www.london-fire.gov.uk/notices.asp> that within Lewisham Council there are a large number of properties facing enforcement action in relation to the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 and the Health and safety at work Act, 1974.

It appears very concerning that many of the properties listed have not complied with the enforcement compliance requirements within the time required. There appear to be some properties that have even failed to complete the required remedial works many years after the date of notice of work required given to them

Does Lewisham Council have any plans to ensure better compliance of important public safety legislation takes places within the borough, such as through better publicising the register and any other steps that can be taken to improve enforcement action?

**Reply**

The London Fire Brigade (LFB) visit and inspect a range of premises within the Borough as part of their commitment to identify risks in both commercial and residential accommodation. If they find properties where there are identified risks they have a range of enforcement powers to serve notices to ensure action is taken by the responsible person to address these risks. They publish a register of these notices dating back to 2010.

Where these properties are owned or managed by the Council or Lewisham Homes or where the notices relate to the private rented sector (PRS) the Council works directly with the LFB on these properties to eradicate the identified risk/s. The LBL Private Sector Housing Agency (PSHA) who leads on the work to improve the condition and safety of the private rented sector in the Borough often undertake joint visits with the LFB where there is a joint enforcement responsibility and, in some circumstances, issue notices in tandem to address particular areas of concern. These identified properties are discussed at regular quarterly liaison meetings which look in detail at fire safety issues identified through visits in privately rented residential properties across Lewisham.

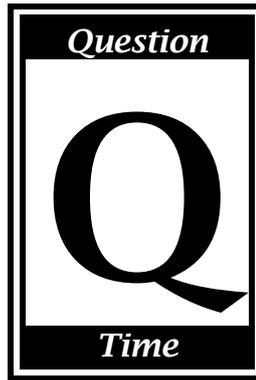
One of these joint quarterly meetings was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017. At this meeting the specifics of those properties on the register that fall under the remit of residential accommodation and the PSHA were discussed. In summary the position on these cases is:

- New Cross Road, London, SE14: A prohibition notice was served in 2010 and remains in place to stop the landlord using the basement as residential accommodation. It will remain in place and on the register until works have been undertaken to make the room habitable but currently ensure it remains empty.
- Lewisham High Street, SE13. A notice was served in 2013 that prohibits the use of kitchen being part of a fire escape route. The prohibition notice remains active because it has been served, although they have a safe alternative means of escape and therefore the LFB are not pursuing any further action.
- Hither Green Lane, SE13. All works were completed 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017 although the enforcement notice will remain on public register for three years.
- Rushey Green SE6. Prohibition/restriction notice served which expires in October 2017. A LFB visit in September will be completed to check that all works have been action.
- Sunderland Road, SE23. Prohibition/restriction notice served to the person responsible. This property is now being occupied as a shared house and a joint inspection has been agreed for the PSHA and the LFB as fire safety concerns remain. The PSHA, will carry out enforcement actions using relevant fire safety and housing legislation if necessary.

Where the person responsible is not the Council then the Fire Brigade will work with that person or organisation under the powers available to them to resolve all identifiable risks.

The Council will also have further discussions about how to assist in publicising the London Fire Brigade public register of notices.

For further information please contact Maureen Peart of the PSHA at [Maureen.peart@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:Maureen.peart@lewisham.gov.uk) or 0208 314 6966.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 62.**

**Priority 4**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Emily Frith

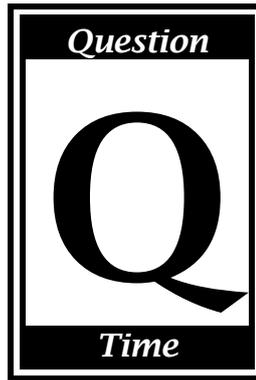
Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

Will the Council raise the issue of disused phone boxes with British Telecom and other responsible companies to improve the look of streets, for example in Rushey Green?

**Reply**

The Council can make contact with British Telecom and Transport for London to ascertain their requirements and plans for the boxes in question.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 63.**

**Priority 5**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

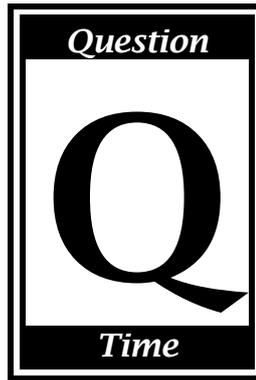
Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

Will there be a public consultation about what businesses will be allowed to operate by the arches on Silwood Street?

**Reply**

The arches in Silwood Street are not owned by the London Borough of Lewisham. These arches are owned by Network Rail so therefore any consultation relating to business use will need to be addressed by them.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 64.**

**Priority 5**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: Emily Frith

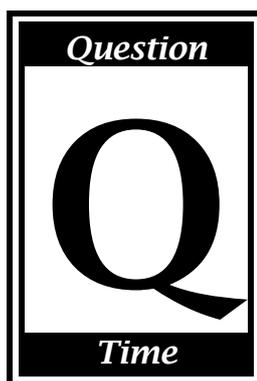
Member to reply: Councillor Smith

**Question**

Will the Council install a disabled parking bay on Lee Road next to the entrance to Lee Road surgery?

**Reply**

We do not normally provide dedicated disabled bays outside of surgeries. The Lee Road surgery does have off-street parking which could be used by disabled visitors. Also, blue badge holders may park on the single yellow line for up to 3 hours while displaying their blue badge and clock so long as they do not obstruct traffic.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 65.**

**Priority 6**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

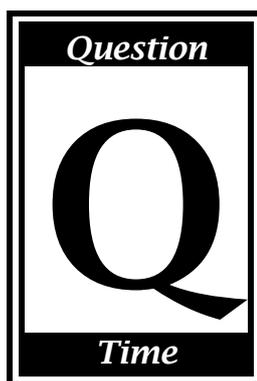
Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

Does Lewisham Council financially contribute to the Lewington in any form?

**Reply**

No, please see the response to PQ67 for detail on the funding for the Lewington Centre.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 66.**

**Priority 7**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Onikosi

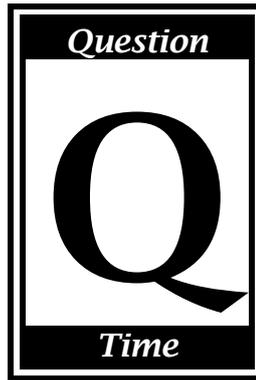
**Question**

What is Council doing to tackle fly tipping on the Silwood Estate?

**Reply**

The council takes fly-tipping very seriously and investigates a substantial amount of incidents each month. This will often involve searching through fly-tips with a view to seizing evidence, attempting to locate witnesses and any CCTV evidence.

Borough wide (including Evelyn & New Cross Wards) the council's Clean Streets (Enforcement) Team are issuing on the spot fines to those fly-tipping and to those not maintaining waste disposal documents. In Evelyn & New Cross 49 Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued for waste offences in the past 12 months. A number of the penalties have been the new £400 on the spot fly-tipping Fixed Penalties.



**PUBLIC QUESTION NO 67.**

**Priority 8**

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**17 JULY 2017**

Question asked by: David Da Silva Pereira

Member to reply: Councillor Egan

**Question**

Do the flats above the Lewington Centre pay for the running of the Lewington Centre and do they get a 20% reduced market rate for their rents?

**Reply**

The development agreement between the Council and L&Q, which saw the construction and now on-going running of the Lewington Centre, provided for the running costs of the Lewington to be part-funded by the rents generated by the flats above the centre.

The flats are of mixed tenure, including a number that are rented at an "intermediate market rent", which is 80 per cent of the current market rent. This is part of an approach which seeks to enable renters to have saved enough money within five years to be able to have a sufficient deposit to buy a property on the open market.

Under this arrangement, a proportion of those rents are ring-fenced and used to provide the revenues to fund the running of the Lewington Centre.