

**COUNCIL MEETING – 25 NOVEMBER 2020**

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

**COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 28 - 33**

QUESTION NO.	QUESTION FROM	QUESTION TO	QUESTION
8/20	Councillor J Walker	Councillor McCabe	<p>Regarding the decision to go ahead with the fortnightly waste collections.</p> <p>Despite a large number of residents completing the online consultation expressing very real concerns about the proposal, the decision has been to go ahead.</p> <p>Residents are quite rightly angry and upset that it appears to have been a tick box consultation and of no worth whatsoever, this will call into question of what worth is any further consultation with MBC. Residents are quite rightly concerned that this decision will cause many problems in neighbourhoods already experiencing fly tipping and general rubbish issues.</p> <p>As a ward Councillor for Hemlington I have received many questions and complaints regarding this decision. We have in Hemlington estates where they have the black bag system due to no space for wheelie bins and residents in those areas are concerned as to where they will store black bags of household waste for two weeks. Rats very much come to mind and smell also people then dumping them around the area. What about those who already have a large bin due to medical issues who require their bins emptying regularly due to medical waste? You say larger bins will be available, what is the plan for all the smaller bins? At what cost does this decision mean? Also larger bins, more bins, where do people who already have limited space outside actually place these bins? A majority of residents in Middlesbrough do not live in large houses with a garden space to match. Surely the wagons collecting a fortnights waste will have to make more journeys to the waste collection point as they will be fuller quicker where are the savings in that?</p> <p>MBC also should if making decisions such as this give a thought to recycling education, in what form will that take, it already seems a hard task for many residents.</p> <p>Also we must remember that 12 jobs are to be lost when you make this decision.</p> <p>I would like a full explanation including savings and justification regarding my questions in regards to the decision to go ahead despite the many objections.</p>
9/20	Councillor Dean	Councillor Waters	<p>Could Cllr Waters please explain why the go ahead was given for a second consultation on the closure of Church Lane and St Marys Walk?</p>

10/20	Councillor Hellaoui	Councillor Smiles	<p>Given that we have approximately 28,000 children and young people in educational establishments in our town, how is it possible that we have so little information related to educational issues in the report presented for tonight's meeting?</p> <p>Would the Executive Member please explain why there is so little information about education in her report about issues such as attainment and assessment, the Covid response, SEND issues, referrals to specialist services, wellbeing, mental health and staff morale? These are only some of the issues which we should know about.</p> <p>As a governor of two schools in our town, I am very aware of the challenges and crises facing schools and I know that many of the challenges are faced by many other schools too.</p> <p>So, would you please tell us what we as a Council and as Councillors are doing and could do to ensure that schools and colleges are offered our wholehearted support?</p>
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