

## COUNCIL – 1 MARCH 2017

### MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

#### **Question 1**

Councillor T Page to ask the Leader of the Council:

*Whilst welcoming the new policy for laying Committee Minutes before Full Council after they have been agreed by committee, I fail to understand why minutes of the Executive Committee are excluded from this process. Tonight we are, effectively, being asked to confirm the minutes of the 7th February under Agenda Item 7, unless they are intended to be included as an essential reference paper. As the Executive Committee affords backbench members a scrutiny backstop, and can become a policy enabling vehicle, does the Leader agree that the democratic process would be better protected if the Executive minutes also had to be previously agreed before being ratified by Council?*