COUNCIL – 8 DECEMBER 2010

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Question 1

Councillor Mrs M H Goldspink to ask the Leader of the Council:

Could the Leader of the Council please tell me which are the shops and businesses in Bishop's Stortford which are offering their toilets as public conveniences? How much is the Council paying them? Does the Leader consider that the signs are good enough, so that members of the public can find the facilities?

Question 2

Councillor M Wood to ask the Leader of the Council:

The letter from Grant Thornton dated October 22nd to two residents regarding their objection to the Annual Accounts for year ending 31.3.10 makes some interesting points. Does the Leader agree with me that the Council seems to have escaped any form of censure from the External Auditors by a seemingly narrow margin?

Question 3

Councillor K A Barnes to ask the Executive Member for Housing and Health:

Is the Executive member for housing aware of, and able to confirm, that two properties in Scott Road, Bishop's Stortford owned by Circle Anglia Housing Association and part of the stock transfer arrangement, were recently taken out of the stock available to applicants on the Council's housing register and were re-designated as intermediate rent properties, having been made available via Lea Valley Homes to applicants outside of the East Herts District who qualify for, and are able to afford intermediate rent?

Can he explain the reasons for this and if any similar exchanges have taken place within the District?

Can he give the assurance that our residents are given preference to Housing Association properties, within East Herts whilst we have large waiting and homeless lists?

Question 4

Councillor V Shaw to ask the Executive Member for Planning Policy and Transport:

I would like to know why Councillor Carver dismissed my proposal, and dismisses Ware for town enhancements without consulting the Planning Department and who support long term funding for Tudor Square and consequently feels it meets the sufficient criteria for funding, when he is the Executive Member for Planning Policy?