

COUNCIL – 10 DECEMBER 2025

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Question 1	Anthony Barrett to ask Cllr Ben Crystall, Leader of the Council
Please could you advise me of the detailed organisation structure of EHDC's Planning and Enforcement Division and is it adequately and sufficiently staffed for the workload that it faces?	
Question 2	Michael E Wainwright (Dr), Chairman of Bayford Parish Council to ask Cllr Ben Crystall, Leader of the Council
A development is currently underway in the parish for the installation of up to 40 luxury caravans on a site that is in the Green Belt and includes ancient woodland. This development does not have planning permission. Together with the neighbouring Parish of Little Berkhamsted we have for months been asking East Herts Council to enforce a stop to these works but the Council has not yet done so. When will the Council do so?	
Question 3	Brian Connolly to ask Cllr Vicky Gover-Ward, Executive Member for Planning and Growth
Given the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and Sport England guidance to base policies on robust and up-to-date assessments of need for all forms of sport and recreation, how does the Council justify the exclusion of speedway and motorsport from the strategy, and will it commit to a full consultation with relevant stakeholders, including the speedway community and Rye House Stadium?	
Question 4	Chris Williams to ask Cllr Vicky Gover-Ward, Executive Member for Planning and Growth
In preparing the Playing Pitch and Outdoor Sports Strategy, how has the Council fulfilled its Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010 in relation to the omission of speedway and Rye House Stadium, and what assessment has been made of the impact on equality of opportunity for groups who may be underrepresented in mainstream sports?	