

Report to Council

1 March 2022

Subject:	Written Questions
Director:	Surjit Tour – Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer

The following written questions have been received:-

7(a) Councillor Chapman to the Cabinet Member for Finance

Can the cabinet member for finance confirm what plans are in place to ensure that those residents who do not pay their council tax via direct debit receive their £150 energy bill rebate in a timely manner?

7(b) Councillor Fisher to the Leader of the Council

Council officers, elected members, neighbourhood policing and local residents do a great job trying to tackle off road motorbikes, but more support is needed. With off road motorbikes being one of the highest reported incidents of anti-social behaviour in Sandwell, will the leader of this council write a letter to the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner calling for the introduction of a dedicated off-road motorbike team that can focus solely on this issue. The safety of local residents and their pets, are at risk with the nuisance they cause, along with the destruction to our parks and green spaces cannot continue. We have seen for decades the issues they cause, and I believe urgent action is required.



7(c) Councillor W Gill to the Cabinet Member for Housing

Does the Cabinet Member for Housing recognise the Council's neglect towards the residents of Mill Street and Thomas Cox Wharf in Great Bridge due to the Council's lack of communication and failure to monitor the development, which has since left the road unadopted by Sandwell Council, following the liquidation of the developers?

7(d) Councillor Williams to the Cabinet Member for Children

On what legal basis has the council decided that pupils from age of 5 to 16 need a visa with more than 6 months validity to access education as it is stated in admissions forms?

