

## **Meeting of the Council**

**23 February 2017**

### **Questions from Members of the Public (Agenda Item No 6)**

**The following written questions have been received from Sharon Lloyd which she wishes to ask of the Cabinet Member for Finance, Councillor Giles, in respect of the former Turkish Baths building, Lewes:**

- 1) In light of the £220,000 council investment please provide evidence to support the estimate of a £40,000 annual rental for a property that would require further investment by any prospective tenant.
- 2) Please set out the risk assessment process that has been followed for noise management and possible nuisance for this site surrounded by residential housing, a library and a place of worship which has silence and quiet contemplation as a central feature but if no risk assessment process has been undertaken please explain why.
- 3) Please set out the risk assessment process that has been followed to look at possible hazards worsened by additional road and delivery traffic in a tightly knit urban area with a high number of vulnerable child and elderly pedestrians, again if no risk assessment has been undertaken please explain why.

**The following written questions have been received from Peter Langworthy which he wishes to ask of the Cabinet Member for Finance, Councillor Giles, in respect of the former Turkish Baths building, Lewes:**

- 1) Please state the reasons why the outside area on the south elevation is being paved as this would suggest the site is being developed with a restaurant in mind while there are already two empty restaurant units a very short distance away.
- 2) Taking into account the parking pressures that have already been added to the area by the Premier Inn, Aqua and the Depot Cinema as well as future residential plans for 36-38 & 40-42 Friars Walk, 11 High Street and Court Road please explain the detailed parking strategy that has been

drawn up to cope with additional needs associated with any new business on the Turkish Bath site.

- 3) Please explain the reasons why a door is replacing a window on the south elevation significantly disrupting the architectural features of one side of the building and completely changing the open green space which is an integral part of the conservation area streetscape and why the damage this will result in to the conservation area has not caused alternatives to be considered.