

## **Item 14 – Written Questions to Councillors**

The following written questions have been received to the Leader of the Council under Council Procedure Rule 12. The questioner will have the opportunity to ask a supplementary question.

### **Question 1- From Councillor Macleod to Councillor MacCleary**

" Would the Leader agree that, as we are facing a climate emergency, it is madness to progress the building of a new billion-pound dual carriageway between Lewes and Polegate? Would it not make more sense and be a lot cheaper to cut fares on the parallel railway and encourage drivers to switch from road to rail? Will he put on record his opposition to a new offline road through the Downs?"

### **Question 2- From Councillor Banks to Councillor MacCleary**

"We have all now seen the horrifying news that the number of dwellings Lewes District Council is being forced to find land for is set to more than double to 782 per year or 15,640 across a 20 year period. This would be devastating for our countryside and our open spaces across the district. Can the Leader of the Council provide an update on what the plans are to urgently lobby the government to stop this and revert to a lower number which reflects what our communities need?"