

QUESTIONS FOR CABINET MEMBERS

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CABINET MEMBER FOR HOMES & GATEWAY SERVICES Councillor Alison Butler		
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from Alison Tong

Councillor Alison Butler

Question No. PQ030-18

With reference to recent press reports that the demand for 33,000 homes over the next 20 years would be met by one third being built in Croydon's town centre, one third on brown field sites and the remaining third within the residential suburban areas whilst ensuring the public parks, community open spaces and the green belt remain protected from development; what percentage of the developments provided by the Council own house building company will be built on current open green spaces compared to brownfield sites?

Reply

The Council is strongly committed to retaining and protecting important open spaces and to demonstrate that they are protected from development they are shown on the Proposals policies map of the new Local Plan.

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from Councillor Andrew Pelling

Councillor Alison Butler

Question No. CQ063-18

I pose a public question at the request of a resident from the Purley Way area who came to visit the Waddon ward councillors' surgery:

Please detail for each financial year since the introduction of the selective landlord licensing scheme the number of staff employed to administer the scheme and the number of staff employed to inspect the licensed properties.

Reply

	Admin staff	Technical staff
2015/16	20 – 15	4 – 10
2016/17	15 – 12	10 – 13
2017/18	12 – 10	13 – 19

Please note that the figures are shown for the start and end of each year, and the number of admin staff has decreased as the level of applications being received has decreased.

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I pose a public question at the request of a resident from the Purley Way area who came to visit the Waddon ward councillors' surgery:

Please detail the number of properties that have been inspected under the Croydon selective landlord licensing scheme.

Reply

Officers have carried out 7,363 proactive inspections on properties for which we've received a licence application, and 1,150 reactive inspections (as a result of complaints from tenants). In addition, officers from both the housing enforcement team and the neighbourhood safety team have carried out a significant number of short inspections of front gardens of privately rented properties to deal with issues such as improper refuse disposal/recycling and accumulations of other rubbish. Housing enforcement officers have also inspected blocks of private flats fitted with ACM cladding, in the wake of Grenfell, to ascertain the potential risk from fire in these blocks.