

QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS

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CABINET MEMBER FOR HOMES, REGENERATION AND PLANNING Councillor Alison Butler		
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CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT Councillor Stuart King		
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CQ038-17 **from Councillor Mario Creatura**

Councillor Alison Butler

Could the Cabinet Member please tell me if Croydon Council holds a central database of the borough's brownfield land stock?

If the Council does, how and how often is this information updated? Does the Council know who owns each piece of brownfield land?

If not, is the Council able to estimate the total number of brownfield sites owned in hectares?

Reply

The Council does not hold a database of brownfield land. We do contribute to the London wide Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment which is updated approximately every 4 years. This assesses the capacity of boroughs to accommodate new homes on site larger than 0.25ha. We have access to this information.

However, the 2013 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment was used as a starting point to identify sites for the Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals, currently being examined by the Planning Inspector. The Assessment was augmented by the two "Call for Sites" when we asked stakeholders to put forward sites for development. These took place in February 2012 and again in 2014. Sites were also identified from discussions with persons making pre-application enquiries as well as from the responses to the consultation on the Croydon Local Plan which took place in November and December 2015. Together this ensures that the Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals contains an up to date record of developable brownfield sites in Croydon.

The Council does not keep records of ownership of all land in Croydon. Should ownership details be required for a particular site then a Land Registry search is carried out.

CQ030-17 from Councillor Simon Brew

The Council's press release dated 11/7/2016 in relation to the Purley Multi-storey car park said:

"The multi-storey car park works are due to begin by September and the upgrade is expected to be finished by the New Year."

Please advise:

How much of the £200,000 has been spent to date?

What has been achieved so far?

What work remains to be done?

When will the two lifts be brought back into service?

When will the project now be completed?

What is the currently estimated total cost of this project?

Reply

How much of the £200,000 has been spent to date?

£150,000 has been spent so far although the remainder of the budget is already committed as an order for the new lifts has been placed.

What has been achieved so far?

A great deal, most significantly agreement to invest a considerable sum into this capital works. Top date the lighting has been completed, preparation of the walls and some painting has been started. Refurbishment of the lift shafts is also under way.

What work remains to be done?

The completion of the lifts and the completion of the painting work.

When will the two lifts be brought back into service?

The estimated completion date for this project is June 2017

When will the project now be completed?

The estimated completion date is June 2017

What is the currently estimated total cost of this project?

£340,000