

Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of the Rules of Procedure contained within the City Council's Constitution provides that a Member of the Council may submit up to five written questions to the Leader of Council or any Cabinet Member.

This document informs Members of Council of written questions put to the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Members and written replies thereto.

Cabinet is recommended to

- (a) Note the written questions submitted and corresponding responses.
- (b) Note the supplementary questions and corresponding responses delivered verbally within the 15 minutes available for Questions by Members.

No.	Question from/to	Question
1.	From Councillor Conder to the Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy	The Government announced on January 18 the Brownfield Land Release Fund 2, to the value of £60m, whereby Councils can bid for a share to aid development of Brownfield sites in their areas. Given that we are seeing no progress with 65-67 London Road, office buildings which have stood empty for twenty years, will the Cabinet Member be preparing a bid for some of this money?
	Response:	
	Officers are currently reviewing the Brownfield Land Release Fund 2, with a view to preparing a bid/bids as long as there is land that would qualify for the fund. As far as I understand the fund, it is restricted to investment in publicly owned/council owned land, and not private land.	
2.	From Councillor Hilton to the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources	What is the current spend both revenue and capital on the restoration of the ICT infrastructure since the cyber attack?
	Response:	
	The current spend for restoration of the ICT infrastructure since the Cyber Incident is £845k, this is split £704k revenue and £141k capital, which is broken down by year as follows:	
	2021-22 Revenue £270k Capital £133k	
	2022/23 Revenue £434k Capital £8k	
	The Council received £250k in grants to offset these costs in 2021/22 and put a cyber reserve of £380k in place to offset 2022/23 costs.	

	<p>The Council has invested an additional £272k to improve its IT structure, moving a number of applications to Cloud technology. These costs are not considered recovery costs as they are improvements to the infrastructure. We have also invested in new laptops on a lease arrangement, again these are costs that are part of our ongoing IT improvement programme.</p>	
3.	From Councillor Hilton to the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources	What systems still need to be restored to the ICT infrastructure since the cyber attack?
	<p>Response:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The final system to be restored is the Document Management System used in planning, licensing and a few other services. The restoration is in progress, with the first phase (for use in new planning applications) scheduled to be in place during February. The restoration of historic document data will then be completed as soon as possible. 2. All other systems are in place with some data restoration and reconciliations in progress. 	
4.	From Councillor Hilton to the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources	What problems did the cyber attack have on the running of GL1 and the Tennis Centre operated by Aspire and have they been resolved?
	<p>Response:</p> <p>Aspire's IT systems are run on the Council's network infrastructure. The cyber incident impacted their leisure management system (LMS). As a priority and at the cost of the Council, the LMS and associated data were restored in a cloud configuration by the software vendor. All unstructured data was also made available to Aspire in May 2022.</p> <p>Unfortunately, the Trust's preferred vendor then went into administration and this has left Aspire with the need to source a new LMS whilst using clerical workarounds similar to those the Council had been using in other services. The Council continues to support the Trust to install a new LMS.</p>	
5.	From Councillor Hilton to the Leader of the Council	<p>It was very disappointing to learn that the government turned down our bid for grant funding from the Levelling Up 2 programme. It would have helped us regenerate the Eastgate Shopping Centre and Greyfriars Priory. What plans do you have to continue with this important regeneration project that would create a new relocated indoor market, without government funding?</p>
	<p>Response:</p> <p>I share Councillor Hilton's disappointment that our Levelling Up Round 2 bid for investment in the Eastgate/Greyfriars area of the city centre was not successful. Only 20% of the bids submitted for round 2 funding were successful. We remain focused on delivery on those projects for which we successfully secured £20m of Levelling Up Round 1 funding.</p>	

Officers are now reviewing options for the short and long term opportunities for the Eastgate Shopping Centre and surrounds. More details will be available in the fullness of time.

6. From Councillor Hilton to the Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy Can you please provide me with an update on the funding received and the allocations of money so far from the Glevum Green development off Denmark Road?

Response:

The following table demonstrates the 'funding' received from the aforementioned development. To date the council has received the pre-commencement and first occupation payments, and has recently been notified about the 50th occupation payment for which payment is being arranged.

Prior to the commencement of development:

To pay the Council 25% of the Sports Mitigation Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£406,562.50
To pay the Council 25% of the Sports Provision Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£104,607.09
To pay the Council 25% of the Open Space Contribution for the Open Space Purposes.	£37,196.08
Monitoring Fees	N/A
TOTAL	£548,365.67

Prior to the first occupation of the development:

To pay the Council a further 25% of the Sports Mitigation Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£406,562.50
To pay the Council a further 25% of the Sports Provision Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£104,607.09
To pay the Council a further 25% of the Open Space Contribution for the Open Space Purposes.	£37,196.08

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Monitoring Fees	N/A
TOTAL	£548,365.67

Prior to the 50th occupation of the development:

To pay the Council the Remaining 50% of the Sports Mitigation Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£813,125
To pay the Council the Remaining 50% of the Sports Provision Contribution for the Sports Mitigation Purposes.	£209,214.19
To pay the Council the Remaining 50% of the Open Space Contribution for the Open Space Purposes.	£74,392.15
Monitoring Fees	N/A
TOTAL	£1,096,731.34