

Scrutiny Chairs Group 21 st March 2016 Cabinet Question Time – Mayor of Hackney	Item No 5
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OUTLINE

In the municipal year the Scrutiny Chairs Group holds question time sessions with the Mayor of Hackney to ask questions about performance and decision-making within the Council.

Invited guest

Mayor Jules Pipe has lead responsibility for the overall corporate strategy, financial management, and delivery of services by the Council. He also takes the lead within Cabinet on property services, ICT, and communications.

The questions below were submitted in advance.

Housing - Temporary Accommodation

1. Members would like information about the quality and type of temporary accommodation provided.
2. In addition, Members would like information about the provision and support available for families/individuals in temporary accommodation e.g. how are the needs of children doing exams taken into consideration?
3. What support is offered to people in temporary accommodation?
4. How many families/individuals are in temporary accommodation?
5. Is it likely that if families/individuals were housed outside of London they would receive better support and provision?

Housing – Homelessness

1. What is the Council's strategy on the prevention of homelessness?

Housing – Housing Lettings Agency

1. Members would like an update on the set up and progress of the Council's housing letting agency?

Austerity

1. Is it fair to say that following the demands for cuts linked to the austerity agenda; with Hackney being efficient and delivering each time, this could lead to the expectation that more cuts can be found?

ACTION

The Scrutiny Chairs Group is asked to note the response.