



Supplement for

CABINET - MONDAY, 17 JULY 2023

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A Member of the Council may ask the Chair, the Leader, a Cabinet Member or the Chair of any Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the Cotswold District. A maximum period of fifteen minutes shall be allowed at any such meeting for Member questions.

A Member may only ask a question if:

- a) the question has been delivered in writing or by electronic mail to the Chief Executive no later than 5.00 p.m. on the working day before the day of the meeting; or
- b) the question relates to an urgent matter, they have the consent of the Chair to whom the question is to be put and the content of the question is given to the Chief Executive by 9.30 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

An answer may take the form of:

- a) a direct oral answer;
- b) where the desired information is in a publication of the Council or other published work, a reference to that publication; or
- c) where the reply cannot conveniently be given orally, a written answer circulated later to the questioner.

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Question from Councillor Dilys Neill to Councillor Tony Dale, Cabinet Member Economy and Council Transformation

With reference to item 14 on the agenda.

While Stow Town Council has been aware that funding for the Visitor Information Centre was being reviewed, it was only on 14th July that the clerk was notified that the recommendation to Cabinet would be for funding to be withdrawn from September. This does not give time for this to be discussed with all the Town Councillors & for a considered response to be returned.

In Stow, the VIC is housed within the library & funding for the VIC contributes to the viability of the library. Your report shows that in 2022, there were on average about 900 visitors per week to the library / VIC. Withdrawal of funding for the VIC means that it is likely that the library will have to reduce or even close its services.

What discussions have taken place between CDC, GCC who are responsible for the library & Cotswold Tourism to ensure that these popular services (library & VIC) remain viable?

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