

COUNTY COUNCIL – 20TH JULY 2021

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No.	Question from:	Question to:	Question
1.	East Cambridgeshire District Councillor Bill Hunt	Councillor Peter McDonald, Chair of Highways and Transport Committee	What is the administration doing to reduce the amount of through traffic in our towns and villages?
	Response from:	Response to:	Response
	Councillor Peter McDonald, Chair of Highways and Transport Committee	East Cambridgeshire District Councillor Bill Hunt	To be provided at the meeting.
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2.	Mr Andrew Lynn, Mayor of Wisbech, Fenland District Councillor and foster carer of almost 9 years.	Councillor Bryony Goodliffe, Chair of Children and Young People Committee	<p>At the most recent meeting of the Children and Young People Committee, Cambridgeshire County Council’s vice-chair of the Corporate Parenting Committee on more than one occasion described foster carers as “amateur”.</p> <p>Foster carers provide a vital and valuable role for children in Wisbech and across the County and they are rightly valued for their contribution to children’s welfare throughout the country. Foster carers undergo intensive and consistent training, I am personally trained up to a diploma level 3 in working with children and young people. I am fully first aid trained and also have completed over 50 different training courses.</p> <p>Will the Leader of the Council demonstrate that Cambridgeshire County Council has not lost faith in its foster carers by, firstly, unequivocally repudiating the comments that foster carers are “amateur”; secondly by reiterating the previous Council policy not merely supporting existing foster carers but appealing for additional potential foster carers to come forward in the County and; thirdly, to ask the Vice-Chair of the County Council’s</p>

			Corporate Parenting Committee to carefully consider their choice of words in the future to avoid causing offence to this highly valued group.”
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