

REPRESENTATIONS

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE	COUNCIL	12 FEBRUARY 2024	5a
QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

Two questions from members of the public have been received before the requisite deadline, as outlined in Article 15 of the Council's Constitution, but <u>after</u> the statutory deadline for publication of the agenda.

The questions received are reproduced below.

Questions will be heard during the Council meeting on 12 February 2024 and a response will be given by the Leader of the Council or by any other member nominated by her.

Question received from Gemma Daniel (6 February 2024)

"Following the publication of the Scrutiny Committee's report on the upsurge of children's homes from 18 to 28 in the Fylde from September 2022 to September 2023, please can the Council advise on how many children's care homes are required in the Fylde area to support demand?"

Question received from Kenneth Cridland (6 February 2024)

"My question is, will the Council be taking further steps beyond those in the Scrutiny Report, and if so what steps? I was one amongst the many members of the public who attended the last Scrutiny Committee meeting about Children's Care Homes in the Fylde. The report outlined the serious issues and problems that are developing and growing in the Fylde. It was a good report, but could have gone further. The recommendations felt inadequate in the face of the problems. I can think of several areas where Fylde Council could do a lot more than is proposed. So my question is, will the Council be taking further steps beyond those in the Scrutiny Report, and if so what steps?"