

Council Meeting 29 March 2017 - Questions Under Standing Order 23

	Question From	Question To	Question	Response
1	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	How many MUGAs are there across the borough?	11
2	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Where are they?	Spencers Field (PO10 7XS) College Road (PO7 8AA) Hayling Park (PO11 0HB) Purbrook Heath (PO7 5RU) Scratchface Lane (PO9 3NQ) Stakes Lodge (PO7 8BJ) Stockheath Common (PO9 5HQ) St. Albans Green (PO9 2HP) St. Clares Avenue (PO9 4JF) Waterlooville Recreation Ground (PO7 6AN) Wecock Open Space (PO8 9AY)
3	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	What is the distribution by Ward?	Purbrook 2 Emsworth 1 Hayling West 1 Bedhampton 1 Stakes 1 Battins 1 Bondfields 1 Warren Park 1 Waterloo 1 Hart Plain 1 Cowplain, St. Faiths, Barncroft and Hayling East have none. It should be noted that there are school sites

				<p>providing good facilities in Cowplain and adjacent to Barncroft wards.</p> <p>There is also a MUGA planned within the Waterloo Major Development Area close to the Redrow development adjacent to Purbrook. I believe this may fall within the Winchester City Council boundary and that there has been extensive discussion by them as to whether this should be lit.</p>
4	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	How many MUGAs have lighting to allow use at night?	3
5	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Which MUGAs are lit and in which location are they?	<p>Purbrook, Wecock and Hayling</p> <p>Not all MUGA's are fully used and whilst it is good practice to have lit multi use games areas, consultation must be carried out due to the location of many of them being in close proximity to residential areas. In addition this would require planning consent.</p> <p>MUGA's which are lit and unmanaged by a third party can attract anti social behaviour. There is a case at present which is causing many problems including broken glass and is resulting in a lot of additional staff resource to manage.</p>
6	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Who pays for the electricity costs for the MUGAs that have lighting?	<p>Hayling £80 Purbrook £40 Wecock £40 Costs funded by HCC and HBC.</p> <p>Lighting is currently street style lighting and not</p>

				sports lighting.
7	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	How many additional MUGAs are planned for the borough?	<p>A Play Pitch Strategy exercise which includes built facilities, play areas, parks, open spaces and sports facilities is currently being undertaken, the results of which will be available in the autumn.</p> <p>This document will be used for the Local Plan and to help the Communities Cabinet Lead take decisions relating to where S106 funding should be allocated for use as match funding to ensure our current MUGA's are fit for purpose.</p>
8	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Where will they be located & in what Ward?	<p>At present there are no current plans for additional MUGA's within the borough however when new large scale developments come on-line they will be considered as part of the planning process but the council would be looking for them to be managed by a third party. An example of this is at Front Lawn Recreation Ground where the operator of the site will be responsible.</p>
9	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Will they have lighting?	<p>Sport England guidelines state it is good practice for MUGA's to have timed lighting but this does depend on the location of the MUGA.</p>
10	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Who will pay the electricity costs for the provision of lighting?	<p>Third party operator</p>
11	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Turner	Are there any plans to adopt a common (fair and consistent) policy for all MUGAs across the borough so that all have lighting?	<p>When the results of the Play Pitch Strategy are ready MUGA's will be looked at as part of our work in the future. However it should be noted that the council do not have any allocated internal budget for the installation of lighting at this time.</p> <p>A recent estimate for lighting for one MUGA was £20k and this was not specialist sports</p>

				lighting but merely additional street style lighting.
12	Cllr Francis	Cllr Cheshire	With regard to the borrowing to invest strategy, has the panel of two finance officers , a Cabinet member and a member from the Scrutiny Board been set up? Who are the Councillors representing us? Has there been a meeting?	The Panel has been set up but has not as yet met.
13	Cllr Francis	Councillor Guest	Has there been any progress in the plan for Havant Borough Council to build its own housing for rent with prefabricated units and using a not for profit charitable building company to supply the labour? Is there any Government funding to support us in this much needed enterprise?	Options are currently being explored and the indications at the present time are positive with a view to securing new housing units that people can afford.
14	Cllr Francis	Councillor Turner	Please can you explain how the Community Housing fund works? Is this support for self build groups?	<p>Community-led housing is about local people playing a leading and lasting role in solving local housing problems, creating genuinely affordable homes and strong communities in ways that are difficult to achieve through mainstream housing.</p> <p>The aims of the fund will help to create community support and engagement, provide local affordable housing unites and community assets as well as delivering actions from Neighbourhood Plans.</p> <p>The money can be used for:</p> <p>Capital: technical support , unlock sites and removing barriers, site preparation and provision of serviced plots for self-build.</p> <p>Revenue: start-up support 5-10K</p>

				<p>advice/grants, professional fees during development process, feasibility, legal and planning costs, strengthening of existing enabling organisations and collaboration to create a community housing hub.</p> <p>This list is only possible suggestions and we are being encouraged to be innovative with overriding priority to enable and support community led housing initiatives which result in additional affordable housing units.</p>
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