

**North Tyneside Council  
Report to Council  
17 March 2022**

**Title: Questions by Members of the Council**

Notice has been received of the following questions from Members of the Council to be put to the Council meeting.

**1. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor L Bones**

“At the Council meeting in January the Mayor stated that she uses her red fiesta to get her around the borough and only uses the civic car for civic business.

Can the Mayor therefore confirm if she or her cabinet use the civic car for authority appointments to outside body meetings.”

**2. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor E Darke**

The Members enquiries system was set up to be used as a tool to ensure members had an appropriate casework system to ensure residents got responses to queries from members, with that in mind, what percentage of members enquiries from Conservative councillors were genuine enquiries from residents and what percentage were from the councillor?

**3. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor G Westwater**

At the November 2021 meeting of Full Council Cllr Johnson proposed an amendment to the motion on Covid Memorials to read “on the conclusion of the consultation report back to a cross party working group to decide how to proceed with the memorial” - this was unanimously agreed.

Can the Mayor confirm when this meeting will take place, as we are looking forward to working collaboratively on this project, and would she agree with me that the current proposals of five concrete circles costing £250,000 do not represent good value for money for taxpayers when compared with our proposal of 20 Covid Memorial Trees, in line with the Council’s tree planting policy, which would be more accessible to residents and more appropriate during a cost of living crisis.