

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH COMBINED AUTHORITY – 31ST JANUARY 2018

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

No.	Question from:	Question to:	Question
1.	Mr Michael Page Cambridge Resident	Councillor John Clark Transport and Infrastructure Portfolio Holder	<p>On 8th December Mayor Palmer was reported in the Cambridge News as welcoming the consultants' report on the Rapid Mass Transit Options Appraisal, declaring that he was "very pleased" with it. Various illustrations taken from the report were also included in the article. However, seven weeks later, on the Friday before this meeting, the report in Appendix 1 has still not been published, nor has the consultant's brief in Appendix 2 for which an expenditure of £600,000 is proposed.</p> <p>My question is in four parts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. If the mayor is so pleased with the report why can he not share it in full with the rest of us?2. Are members of the CA Board satisfied that they can make important decisions today on this agenda item when key documents have not been made available in due time to the public and other councillors - in breach of Government guidelines on transparency?3. Do members of the CA Board have an understanding of how the £600,000 figure has been arrived at and that it represents best value?4. Do Board members believe that the process we have witnessed will gain public confidence in this new

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2.	Mr Antony Carpen	Councillor John Clark Transport and Infrastructure Portfolio Holder	<p data-bbox="1115 212 2134 316">Please could you ask the Mayor to use is his discretion to enable me to ask a public Q of the consultants Steer, Davies, Gleave on their report, specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1160 355 2089 427">1) What assessment did the consultants make of the current and future levels of tourist growth? <li data-bbox="1160 467 2089 579">2) What assessment they made of the annual income likely to be generated by a scheme barring tourist coaches/traffic from the city and transferring passengers to light rail underground? <li data-bbox="1160 619 2112 691">3) What historical analyses the consultants did of past unexecuted transport schemes for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire?