

Full Council – 19 February 2020

Councillor questions:

1. From Councillor Rolfe to Councillor Mrs Hollingsbee, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Communities

Ageing is a growing global phenomenon. This has widespread implications. Following extensive consultation, KCC are changing the way they distribute grants to Adult Social Care service providers who are now encouraged to take a more collaborative approach and 'bid' for funding as part of a consortium that will, if successful, win the contract to deliver services across a wide locality. The Romney Marsh Day Centre based in New Romney provides a lifeline for some of the most vulnerable people in our area. It offers a range of services tailored to meet the needs of older residents living on Romney Marsh and so helps tackle issues of rural isolation. The Centre's manager recently announced that its range of services may, be adversely affected, by the new funding regime. It is now part of a consortium that covers the first new contracts' locale which is South Kent Coastal CCG's geographic footprint (Romney Marsh through to Folkestone, Dover and Deal), and Thanet. This is a very large catchment area.

Therefore my question to you is: How can this District Council support service providers such as the Day Centre and others across this District to ensure they can continue to deliver help and support to the elderly and other vulnerable groups living in our area?

2. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Mrs Hollingsbee, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Communities

Please could the portfolio holder for communities give an update on her work to tackle our GP crisis?

3. From Councillor Davison to Councillor Monk, Leader of the Council

Please could the leader of the council give an update on any work being carried out to prepare the district for the end of the Brexit transition period?