

Agenda item no. 5- Questions from councillor

Question No.	Questioner	Question	Question to
PQ 1.	Cllr Hitchiner	<i>There are surely opportunities for Hoople to provide additional services to others within the Teckal framework including Wye Valley Trust and other local authorities if an agreement can be reached. Done the right way this could result in savings to the Council and other customers resulting in reduced budget pressures for both and so benefiting the community we serve. Would the Leader agree with me that this is an opportunity that should not be missed? What steps will the Leader take to advantage if this?</i>	Leader to the Council
<p>Response: The council will continue to explore opportunities through its subsidiary company, Hoople Ltd, to deliver savings and efficiencies in services delivered to the council via the Service Level Agreement and as part of the company's wider growth strategy.</p>			
<p>Supplementary Question:</p>			
<p>Supplementary Response:</p>			
PQ 2.	Councillor Charlotte Taylor	<p><i>Despite being funded by taxpayer's money, the Cabinet has not made the Traffic Modelling Study 2025 available to other Herefordshire Councillors or to the public. Withholding evidence that would inform Councillors in decision making is against the Nolan Principles and the Constitution.</i></p> <p><i>How does the Cabinet expect Herefordshire Councillors to make an informed decision on the Budget proposals around transport, and particularly the borrowing of £40million for a new road, when import evidence such as the Traffic Modelling Study 2025 is withheld from them</i></p>	Councillor Price
<p>Response:</p>			

The modelling information is not being withheld, the work on the business case that frames and puts the modelling work into context is being completed and will be published by the end of March. A Full Business Case will also be published before July and in advance of the Cabinet making its final decision to award the construction contract

Supplementary Question:

Supplementary Response: