

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL AGREED BY COUNCIL ON  
5<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2010

QUESTION FROM: MS. P. GRAHAM

TO: THE EXECUTIVE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR PERFORMANCE  
AND RESOURCES

**SINGLE TRANSFERABLE VOTE**

As the Sennedd has legislated that Local Authorities can now adopt proportional representation, there is an opportunity to create a reformed, fairer and more diverse electoral system. In order for this to be in place for the next local elections, this would need to be passed by 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. Will the council, along with others in Wales, be willing to consult on bringing our local democracy into the modern era and consider adopting the Single Transferable Vote?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. A. SALHAB

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**COUNCIL INVESTMENTS**

Is the Council investing in any way, such as pension fund, that supports the war on  
Gaza?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. S. THORNE

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD AND BUILDING  
SERVICES

**REVENUE FROM RECYCLING**

What is Council's overall revenue from the sale of recycling materials?

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QUESTION FROM: MR. R. CURTIS

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**SEA AND BEACH POLLUTION**

Residents and visitors to the Vale of Glamorgan are increasingly becoming aware of sea and beach pollution due to sewage overflows and want action to resolve this appalling issue. The Old Harbour and Watchtower Bays are used by cold water swimmers, paddle boarders and kayakers. It's also home to many species of precious wildlife. Sadly, it is also home to combined sewer outflows, which pump untreated waste out into the water when there's been heavy rain or storms. These outflow pollution events are becoming more and more frequent because of climate change and new-builds putting extra demand on old plumbing systems. Following the first ever testing of the water quality at Watch House Bay, it has become one of the few beaches in Wales with a "poor" rating with the Vale of Glamorgan even having to "advise against bathing in the water!". But what the public really want and need is action to stop the pollution in the first place. They need to work effectively with both Natural Resources Wales and Welsh Water. Therefore, what is the Vale of Glamorgan Council doing to stop this pollution and to protect both our seas and beaches for future generations?