

## MEMBER QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### 1 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

1.1 The Proper Officer reports that, pursuant to Executive Procedure Rule 3.1, the following Member questions have been received:

1.2 From Cllr Mrs C M Mason to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Cllr S P Smith:-

“Please confirm the amount received from central government to assist with the Coronavirus situation and advise how it is being allocated.”

1.3 From Cllr M Hoy to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Cllr S P Smith:-

“On page 7.15 of item 7 – Financial Outturn 2019/20 - Item PR025 (payment to local suppliers within 10 days) is indicated as Red with only 56.4% paid within that time compared to the target of 90%. The year to date figure is 62.7% to the same target.

This is very disappointing to see as cashflow is of the utmost importance to small businesses, particularly as this was leading into the shutdown of many businesses due to the Virus. The reason is given as staff changes; however, a good system should not allow this to happen.

What has been done to rectify this to bring the payments to the target of 90% or above? Have the payment times improved since this report?”



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**Background Papers:-**

None.

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