

QUESTION NO 21

**By Councillor Mattos Coelho for
answer by the Convener of the
Planning Committee at a meeting of
the Council on 26 September 2024**

Question **(1)** As a recipient of a councillor's Senior Responsibility Allowance for convening meetings can you confirm how many committees you convene per year?

Answer **(1)**

Question **(2)** Are you aware that Planning Local Review Bodies have recently been unable to complete their agenda in the allotted time? At the end of the allotted time the LRB is thus required to either continue items at some time in the future or continue to meet and make binding quasi-judicial decisions after other council business (for example on 11/09/2024 after 6pm immediately following a different committee. As Planning Convener do you consider this satisfactory?

Answer **(2)**

Question **(3)** As the Local Review Body convenor is elected immediately at the start of each meeting they have limited ability to control the agenda which is already set. Given this situation and subject to you answer to point 1, do you consider you have available time to convene the Planning Local Review Body and ensure agendas are well managed going forward?

Answer **(3)**