

80/05 - **PRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL BY THE EXECUTIVE:** In accordance with Standing Order 28, the Cabinet Members for Environmental Health and Housing addressed the Council on the major and/or topical issues arising under their Portfolios as summarised below:-

CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Environment Division: Services provided, resources, refuse collection and recycling, street and environmental cleansing.

Public Protection Division: Food safety, food enforcement, pollution control, pollution enforcement, public health complaints, enforcement, dog wardens.

Major issues over the next year: Increase in advice to be given to food businesses, increasing time spent on food premises inspections, implementing the contaminated land inspection, implementing the changes introduced by the Clean Neighbourhoods Act to collect stray dogs out-of-hours and changes to how land was designated.

The Cabinet Member then answered Members' questions.

CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING:

Housing Services: Housing Revenues Account and General Fund finance services.

Key priorities: Targets, achievements and plans for the four key objectives for housing of local homes for local people, homelessness, public sector decent homes and private sector housing assistance.

Supporting people: Audit Commission inspection and increasing level of awareness of service.

The Cabinet Member then answered Members' questions and, in response to a question from Councillor Hawkins regarding the number of unoccupied properties in the District, agreed to let the Member have a detailed written reply.