In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No.10 Michael King will ask the Leader of the Council the following questions

Question 1:

"In a Daily Telegraph survey of English local authorities in April this year, at 80%, South Derbyshire District Council had the sixth highest percentage of council staff working from home. Does the Council not accept that the practice of a high proportion of staff working from home is an undesirable practice left over from the Covid pandemic which is having an adverse effect on productivity?"

Question 2:

"Is the Council aware that the slowness of its planning service is having an adverse effect on the local economy by impeding development and investment and hence employment?"