

QUESTION NO 17

By Councillor Godzik to be answered by the Convener of Education, Children and Families Committee at a meeting of the Council on 19 August 2010

- Question** (1) The Instrumental Service seems to be the only part of the Council services which has been divided into North and South divisions. Given the amount of disruption this will cause to pupils, schools and instructors, with most instructors being moved out of existing schools into new ones, why is it not possible to consider a more sensible and less disruptive way of dividing managerial duties as the division of managerial responsibility seems to be the prime motivator for this change?
- Question** (2) How can the Instrumental Service deliver the aim of expanding the service into all secondary schools whilst reducing the resources with which they can carry out this aim?
- Question** (3) Why were secondary schools consulted over their string allocation and allowed the option to refuse, whereas no such consultation took place over the allocation of keyboards?
- Question** (4) Why is the daily allocation of time to keyboard and voice so small in comparison to all the other instruments (half a day in each school)?
- Question** (5) Why are part-timers being favoured with choice when it comes to allocation of North and South divisions? Some part-time instructors appear to be allowed to roam between both, whereas the full-timers have been told they have to stick to their allocated areas?