

**QUESTION NO 11**

**By Councillor Ewan Aitken to be answered by the Leader of the Council at a meeting of the Council on 16 October 2008**

**Question** (1) The recent changes to the Standing Orders mean that most if not all motions raised by local members for the full Council are now remitted to Committees by the Lord Provost in consultation with no-one.

Why are those who raise motions for the full Council not informed directly of the Lord Provost's decision?

**Question** (2) If the member raising the motion is not a member of the Committee concerned, how do they get to speak to their motion?

**Question** (3) Do you agree that the suggestion of "subbing" is too ad hoc and will not work if more members from one group have motions at a Committee than there are members of their group on the Committee, especially if the Committee members have concerns to raise about other issues on the agenda?