Question No. 1

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL AGREED BY COUNCIL ON  $5^{\mathrm{TH}}$  MAY, 2010

QUESTION FROM: MR. J. PULMAN

TO: EXECUTIVE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES

## PENSION FUND INVESTMENTS

Whilst we, The Barry and Vale Greens Group, must condemn the attacks by Hamas on October 7<sup>th</sup>, it has become clear that the Israel State and the IDF are conducting a war of genocide against the Palestinians with over 40,000 plus dead. We are aware that the UK is still arming Israel and that, as Zarah Sultana has pointed out, parts of the F16 fighter bombers are manufactured in the UK. It is these weapons which kill indiscriminately. We are also aware that many of our Local Authorities pension funds have investments in many of the arms industries. Waltham Forest Council has confirmed it will withdraw pension investments from firms linked to arms sales, while some Councils within Wales are putting forward motions to divest from the arms industry. Can the Vale of Glamorgan County Council assure its employees, and the County's residents, that their Wales Pension Fund investments are not complicit in arms sales to Israel, and if they are, will the Vale of Glamorgan County Council follow the example of others and demand that these investments stop?

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## DECLARE OLD HARBOUR AS A LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

Saltwater marsh is one of the rarest habitats in the UK. The Old Harbour's saltwater marsh supports wintering red listed species such as Curlew and Whimbrel. It also supports other waders and seabirds such as Shelduck, Grey Heron, Little Egret, Knot and Redshank. Will the Vale of Glamorgan Council declare this area a Local Nature Reserve which can then contribute to the Welsh Government's aim of protecting 30% of Wales for nature by 2030?