By way of a supplementary question, Hari Sharma commented that only half a million electric cars were on the road; just 1.2% of 45million cars in the UK. He asked what measures and initiatives were being considered for carbon dioxide and nitrous oxide to improve air quality in the borough.

As Councillor Haseler was not present at the meeting, the Mayor advised that a written response would be provided.

Written response: *RBWM* is developing the aforementioned Electric Vehicle Chargepoint Implementation Plan, which will set out how the council will ensure that there is suitable availability of public chargepoints to support the borough's residents, businesses and visitors to make the switch to pure electric vehicles. Electric vehicles can be powered entirely by sustainably generated electricity, and have no tailpipe emissions thus contributing to improved local air quality. A draft version of the Electric Vehicle Chargepoint Implementation Plan is expected to be available for public consultation shortly. Additionally, the borough has both a <u>Bus Service Improvement</u> <u>Plan</u> and a <u>Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan</u> in place, setting out how we will make these lower emission transport methods practical and attractive for more of the journeys people make in the borough.