

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 16.1.1

First Questions

- 1. From Councillor Hugh Lumby to Councillor Edward Heron, Executive Lead Member for Transport and Environment Strategy**

Can you please confirm what steps are being taken to protect our environmentally important chalk streams, in particular confirming what is being done to prevent four wheel drive vehicles crossing the River Meon in Droxford, via the U189, causing substantial damage in the vicinity?

- 2. From Councillor Kim Taylor to Councillor Rob Humby, Leader and Executive Member for Policy, Resources and Economic Development**

In full council on 29th September the Leader reassured Members that he was engaging with Hampshire's MP's, the Government, the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Treasury officials to ensure the County Council's forecast position is fully understood and what the consequences will be if they are not addressed in time. Can the leader please provide an update on activities undertaken and any progress made?

- 3. Councillor Alex Crawford to Councillor Jan Warwick, Executive Member for Climate Change and Sustainability**

The Secretary General of the United Nations highlighted the increased urgency of action needed on climate change, when he opened COP27 this month by stating that the clock is ticking with the planet fast approaching tipping points that make climate chaos irreversible.

He called for greater urgency, stronger action, and effective accountability.

Will Council therefore revisit its Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan to aim to be carbon neutral earlier than the present target of 2050 and to prepare to be resilient to the impacts of temperature rises greater than the present level of 2°C?

- 4. Councillor Juliet Henderson to Councillor Roz Chadd, Executive Lead Member for Children's Services**

I welcome the news of a New School at Hounsome Fields in my division. Given the significant amount of Development, I would like to understand how the pressure on primary school places will be managed?

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5. From Councillor Jackie Porter to Councillor Roz Chadd, Executive Lead Member for Children's Services

What percentage of the children taking up Government subsidised holiday scheme places are children who would normally receive free school meals? (including KS1 Children who all receive a free school meal)

Second Questions

6. From Councillor Kim Taylor to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Member for Highways Operations

Following the termination of the Council's On-Street Parking & Traffic Management Agency agreement with districts on 31 March 2023, there has been increasing confusion about the transition arrangements and how the public and councillors should contact HCC for matters normally dealt with under the agreement.

Some districts such as Basingstoke and Deane have adopted the principle of only dealing with existing matters and rejecting any new enquiry referring the enquirer to contact Hampshire direct, whilst other districts seem to be processing new requests and passing them on to Hampshire officers to deal with.

Our county website still refers residents to the districts.

Can the Executive Member please confirm exactly how the transition arrangements should be working and the arrangements for the public and councillors to report in such matters.

7. From Councillor Jackie Porter to Councillor Edward Heron, the Executive Lead Member for Transport and Environment Strategy

Now the pandemic measures are being scaled back, when will you be restoring full pedestrian access to the HWRC's?

Third questions

8. From Councillor Jackie Porter to Councillor Edward Heron, Executive Lead Member for Transport and Environment Strategy

Which junctions within the county highways system are causing safety concerns because of their accident record?