COUNTY COUNCIL – 22 FEBRUARY 2024

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 16.1.1

First Questions

1. From Councillor Alan Dowden to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

How much has this authority paid out in compensation over the last twelve months, for claims for pothole damage?

2. From Councillor Rob Mocatta to Councillor Russell Oppenheimer, Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services

What has been done so far, and what has been spent so far, on removing Ash Trees suffering from Ash Die Back across Hampshire where they pose a potential risk to members of the public?

3. From Councillor Tim Groves to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

In May 2023 we were informed that Hampshire is progressing a new Materials Recovery Facility in Chickenhall Lane Eastleigh which is planned to be operational by mid 2025. In January 2024 it was stated that the current plans for infrastructure based on a twin stream system needed to be paused and it appears waste capital expenditure is now not included in the budget. Could the Executive Member please advise when the Chickenhall Lane Materials Recovery Facility will now be operational, and also how the pots, tubs, trays, tetrapaks, cartons and plastic wrapping promised to be collected by Test Valley Borough Council in 2024 will be disposed of by the responsible authority for recycling or disposing of waste collected, Hampshire County Council?

4. From Councillor Malcolm Wade to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

Can you explain why the Dibden Purlieu centre section of the TCF Eling to Holbury Scheme was planned to be done in the run up to Christmas without any regards to impact on local traders and the economy of the Dibden Purlieu village centre. The works and resulting traffic delays produced a massive reduction in footfall for the retail business amounting to thousand of pounds of lost trade. Why was this not considered and the works planned outside of this critical period for local traders?

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5. From Councillor Alex Crawford to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

Colleagues in Rushmoor have written to you this month to express their deep frustration at an apparent lack of coordination and planning of roadworks within the borough.

Given that the Streetworks Team is responsible for the coordination of all works on the public highway in order to minimise traffic disruption, is there anything that the Streetworks Team can do to improve the current situation, which seems to have worsened in the past few months?

6. From Councillor Prad Bains to Councillor Russell Oppenheimer, Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services

The village and residents of Hamble have been waiting for a decision on the Cemex planning application for over two years. Delaying this decision any further is unacceptable for the local community. Can the Executive member confirm when this will come before the Regulatory Committee?

7. From Councillor Pal Hayre to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

Residents are fed up of Commercial construction vehicles and cars parked on pavements in residential streets causing safety concern for pedestrians, mobility scooters and pushchair access. Will Hampshire County Council work with the Police to ban Pavement Parking in Hampshire?

Second Questions

8. From Councillor Alex Crawford to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

Following the Deputation of residents of Cranmore Lane, Aldershot, at the Council meeting last September, a Council Speed Indicator Device (SID) recorded the following data for 34,040 vehicles going uphill in Cranmore Lane between 29 September and 22 October:

- Below 30 mph 14,314 (42%)
- Above 30 mph 19,726 (58%)
- Above 35 mph 6,929 (20%)
- Above 40 mph 1,753 (5%)
- Above 45 mph 407 (1.2%)
- ➢ Above 50 mph − 126 (0.4%)
- ➢ Highest speed recorded 73.9 mph

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Given that the speed limit in Cranmore Lane, Aldershot, is 30 mph, will you please assess the case for installing camera equipment and updating road signs to start a local enforcement scheme in Cranmore Lane, Aldershot?

9. From Councillor Malcolm Wade to Councillor Nick Adams-King, Executive Lead Member for Universal Services

The New Forest district is a geographically large authority with a National Park within its boundaries. It has diverse and distinct communities many miles apart and a fragile environment, which already attracts fly tippers. The uniqueness of its geography makes it particularly vulnerable to increased fly tipping with the proposed closure of the Household Recycling Centres at Marchwood and Sommerley. Therefore, on behalf of its very concerned residents, who will have to drive many extra miles to the surviving recycling centre and New Forest District Council, who will have to pick up the responsibility and cost of the increase in fly tipping, can I request that the proposal to potentially close both the Marchwood and Sommerley Household Recycling Centres be dropped?