

COUNTY COUNCIL – 4 NOVEMBER 2021

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 16.1.1

First Questions:

- 1. From Councillor Juliet Henderson to Councillor Roz Chadd, Executive Lead Member for Children’s Services and Councillor Liz Fairhurst, Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health:**

How much support is being provided to the Afghan refugees from various agencies including the voluntary sector, and what is being done to address the wellbeing of the children?

- 2. From Councillor Hugh Lumby to Councillor Russell Oppenheimer, Executive Member for Highways Operations:**

What steps is the Executive Member for Highway Operations taking to help address the issue of antisocial motorbike noise and speeding on the County’s roads?

- 3. From Councillor Stephen Parker to Councillor Steve Forster, Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property:**

Will the Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property please provide an update on the progress of decarbonisation work being carried out on school buildings?

- 4. From Councillor Pal Hayre to Councillor Stephen Reid, Executive Member for Performance, Human Resources and Partnership:**

Would the Executive Member for Performance, Human Resources and Partnership please tell me how many families Hampshire is currently helping as part of the Supporting Families Programme?

- 5. From Councillor Debbie Curnow-Ford to Councillor Russell Oppenheimer, Executive Member for Highways Operations:**

I would like to ask the Executive Member for Highways Operations what Hampshire Highways are doing to minimise the risk of road closures due to flash flooding caused by increased extreme rainfall, often exacerbated by silt run-off from fields and leaves blocking drains and gully’s. We had such a situation in August this year on Hill House Hill (B3004) in Liphook where a car became stranded because the floodwater became very deep, very quickly.

- 6. From Councillor Dominic Hiscock to Councillor Jan Warwick, Executive Member for Climate Change and Sustainability:**

A recent rain storm saw raw sewage flowing from Southern Water drains down Winchester High Street. How many other sewage flooding incidents has the County had reported in the last 12 months – on the Highway and elsewhere- and what is the

plan to stop these incidents recurring?

7. From Councillor David Drew to Councillor Rob Humby, Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment:

With the ever-increasing number of electric powered cars on the road network, what is Hampshire County Council doing to enlarge the number and capacity of vehicle charging points across the County?

8. From Councillor Lulu Bowerman to Councillor Jan Warwick, Executive Member for Climate Change and Sustainability:

I note from the Climate Change annual report that 2022 is designated as the year of resilience. What will this mean for our residents?

9. From Councillor Alex Crawford to Councillor Keith Mans, Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Policy and Resources:

According to The Observer on Sunday, 24 October, the UK Health and Security Agency (UKHSA) contacted the Leaders and Chief Executives of local authorities on Friday, 22 October, to canvass their level of support for the “immediate rollout of the winter plan – plan B”. Please would you set out the response that the Council sent to UKHSA’s urgent request for feedback?

10. From Councillor Jackie Porter to Councillor Roz Chadd, Executive Lead Member for Children’s Services:

What relief did the Budget offer for the future of the High Needs Block budget deficit and is there a realistic possibility of the deficit, built up over several years, being paid back to this council?

11. From Councillor Martin Tod to Councillor Jan Warwick, Executive Member for Climate Change and Sustainability:

On May 12, 2021, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs published new quarterly local authority collected waste management statistics for April-June 2020. How did Hampshire's percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting compare to other county councils?

Second Questions:

12. From Councillor Hugh Lumby to Councillor Rob Humby, Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment:

Given the whole Central South region is most likely to succeed if we operate as one joined up and complimentary economy across the whole area, with for example a co-ordinated approach both to attracting inward investments and to skills and training, what steps is the Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment taking to work with neighbouring authorities such as BCP and Surrey to achieve this?

13. From Councillor Alex Crawford to Councillor Roz Chadd, Executive Lead Member for Children's Services:

Many councils are using the freedoms they have under the Department for Education guidance to bring in additional mitigations in schools against COVID-19.

Given the high incidence of COVID-19 among school pupils in Hampshire, will you please urgently recommend additional mitigation in all schools in the county?

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

We see a sum of £18million towards the setting up of new Hubs for Children and Parents: Children's Centres in all but name. If Hampshire County Council closed them because they were deemed unnecessary before, what is this Council's view on reopening these?