

Summary of Questions to Executive Wednesday 15 March 2023



QUESTION	FROM	GROUP	TO	SUBJECT	DIRECTORATE LEAD
1.	CLLR P BAILLIE	CON	CLLR PAFHEY	Children's Services savings	Robert Henderson
QUESTION	<p>A major part of balancing the recent budget was the inclusion of £7M of savings /reduced spending from CS. I think the expectation from all councillors was that the route to achieving these savings had been mapped out.</p> <p>Please would you tell me how these savings are to be achieved, when they will be achieved, and how successful savings' /reduced spending targets have been over the last five years for CS.</p>				
2.	CLLR P BAILLIE	CON	CLLR MITCHELL	Housing Improvement	Adam Wilkinson
QUESTION	<p>According to the recent HRA budget which you passed, some £50M has been removed from the housing improvement pot to pay for homes in Meggeson Avenue. Do you feel it is fair to delay for years improvements to homes, for thousands of people , just because of your ideology?</p>				
3.	CLLR FITZHENRY	CON	CLLR KAUR	Mini budget post Election	Mike Harris
QUESTION	<p>Can the Leader of the Council confirm if her administration will be bringing forward a mini budget in the summer of 2023 if they are successful in winning a majority May's Local Election?</p>				
4.	CLLR MARGETTS	IND	CLLR MITCHELL	Housing waiting lists	Claire Edgar

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QUESTION	How many families are currently on the waiting list for a three bedroom council house? At the current rate of building, how long will it take to reduce to zero the waiting list? Given the collapse of the buy to let market has the council considered options to buy such properties to reduce waiting lists for Southampton People.				
5.	CLLR MARGETTS	IND	CLLR KATARIA	Holiday voucher scheme	Claire Edgar
QUESTION	Given that ¼ children are now food insecure and that during the school holidays, nearly 40% of children in poverty are not eligible for food vouchers, can the council confirm that it will extend the holiday voucher scheme to cover all school children. This will ensure that, given the commitment to the Right to Food City status, all children will have access to meals throughout the year not just in term time.				
6.	CLLR MARGETTS	IND	CLLR FIELKER	High fat/salt/sugar (HFSS) advertising	Claire Edgar
	Will the council follow the example set by Barnsley Council and Transport for London's Healthier Advertising Policy, to restrict all advertising of high fat, salt, and/or sugar (HFSS) on council owned or leased advertising sites?.				
7.	CLLR BLACKMAN	LIB	CLLR KAUR	Southern Water	Adam Wilkinson
QUESTION	What action does the Council intend to take against Southern Water in the light of the recent supply failures in Southampton and their persistent polluting of our rivers and coastline?				
8.	CLLR VAUGHAN	CON	CLLR RENYARD	Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls	Claire Edgar
QUESTION	Can you honestly still confirm Southampton City Council believe they want to Tackle Violence Against Women and Girls?				

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9.	CLLR VAUGHAN	CON	CLLR RENYARD	Street lighting	Claire Edgar
QUESTION	<p>Safer Streets Funding was introduced for the increased roll out of CCTV and improvements to street lighting as this will help change the attitudes and behaviours which will prevent crimes happening in the first place.</p> <p>Will SCC reconsider its decision and keep Street Lights turned on?</p>				
10.	CLLR VAUGHAN	CON	CLLR RENYARD	Safer Streets Fund	Claire Edgar
QUESTION	<p>Will Southampton City Council ensure the effective and efficient deployment of the Safer Streets Fund for preventing neighbourhood crime, crime in public spaces and violence against women and girls?</p>				