

CITY OF SHEFFIELD

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL – 18TH NOVEMBER, 2021

COPIES OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS THERETO

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to the Leader of the Council (Councillor Terry Fox)

Q1. What plans does Sheffield have to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee?

A1. We are looking to hold the Food Festival in the City Centre, encompassing it with the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

The Local Area Committees will also be looking into appropriate events in their areas, engaging with the local communities.

Following the recent announcement from Sheffield City Trust (SCT) that they will cancel certain acts who do not fit their newfound values, who else would the Council support SCT in cancelling shows by?

Q2. Would you support Jimmy Carr being cancelled?

A2. Written answer provided

Q3. Would you support Jo Brand being cancelled?

A3. Written answer provided

Q4. Would you support Jay-Z being cancelled?

A4. Written answer provided

Q5. Would you support Eminem being cancelled?

A5. Written answer provided

Q6. Would you support Boris Johnson being cancelled?

A6. Written answer provided

Q7. Would you support Jeremy Corbyn being cancelled?

A7. Written answer provided

Q8. Prior to the SCT decision to cancel Roy Chubby Brown, how many complaints had the Council received about Roy Chubby Brown performing at Sheffield City Hall?

A8. Written answer provided

Q9. Does this Council stick by its principle that services should be insourced when they come up for contractual review?

A9. This Administration firmly believes in the potential benefits of insourced services for citizens and staff, but not all services can realistically be proved in house all of the time.

As the report to Co-Operative Executive shows regarding the Leisure and Entertainment Facility and Services Review, we have firmly tested all options and agreed on achieving the maximum investment of £100 million in Sheffield's leisure facilities. This also provides an improvement in terms and conditions for staff though paying at least the Foundation Living Wage.

Question of Councillor Mohammed Mahroof to the Leader of the Council (Councillor Terry Fox)

Q. How many consultants, locums and agency staff are employed by the Council. Can this be broken down by Department? And what is the full cost?

A.

Portfolio	Q2 2021/22
People	£2,320,584
Place	£1,513,533
Resources & PPC	£523,776
Grand Total	£4,357,893

Questions of Councillor Mike Levery to the Leader of the Council (Councillor Terry Fox)

It is now over a year since Youth Services was insourced, and a £2m additional funding announced for the year 2021/22. Could you clarify the following please?

Q.1 In the July Council meeting, the response to the question “Does the Operating Model identify where new youth clubs are planned to be brought into operation?”, the response was “New ongoing provision will start from the September term”. Can you please advise where these new youth clubs are operating?”

A.1 Due to the Covid Pandemic we have been unable to open our youth provision as quickly as we would have liked due to covid restrictions however all pre covid youth provision is now open, and we are currently reviewing youth provision across the city.

New provision now exists in Arbourthorne Centre on Tuesday 6pm – 8pm, Woodhouse now has a detached youth team on a Thursday night 6pm – 8pm, we have detached work in Firth Park on a Wednesday 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

We also have delivered an enhanced Dark Nights programme contributing to the noticeable reduction in youth related antisocial behaviours on 5th November and surrounding dates.

The following increased provisions has also been undertaken in these current sites:

- We are contributing to operation Sceptre with SY police to support young peoples with knife crime.
- We are working with Yorkshire Youth and Music offering music development workshops in Darnall Education Centre.
- Sheffield Wednesday Football Club are delivering across the city football sessions and this includes a new partnership in Firth Park and Wincobank.

We also have operated a full youth holiday program in school holidays supporting young people across the city to access new experiences, this has also been planned for the Christmas break and February half term which will include residential activities (following Government COVID regulations).

However, there is not enough youth provision in the city, and addressing this issue is a priority for the Executive. The provision already expanded on, is just the start and we will update all members with further details when able to do so.

Q.2 In the July Council meeting, the response to the question “What is the target completion date for achieving pay harmonisation for the former Sheffield Futures staff?”, the response was “For the remainder of the Youth Services staff not included in this Early Help review, we are not allowed under the terms of the transfer to harmonise their terms and conditions; however, if the trade unions make such a request we will work with them.” TUPE transfer terms are clear that transferring employees retain their previous terms and conditions, and can opt for harmonisation, if offered, if it improves their terms and conditions.

Bearing in mind that the transferred staff have had no pay increases for a number of years, and their pay is well below comparable jobs in Sheffield City Council, why has there been no attempt to seek pay harmonisation for the staff who aren't part of the Early Help review?

A.2 Senior Managers are meeting with Trade Unions and working closely with HR to understand the situation accurately and will be taking a proposal for discussion with TU colleagues for a sustainable new Youth Service on 18th November. This will begin the process and this will see the mapping to relatable roles and Sheffield City Council T&C's.

Q.3 It was agreed in July that the Youth Services Operating Model would be presented to the next meeting of the Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee? The Committee met on the 13th October, but Youth Services wasn't on the agenda. When will the Youth Services Operating Model be presented to this Committee?

A.3 It is important to understand youth services in all contexts and this requires more time than originally proposed. We are confident there will be a reviewed operating model presented in January 2022 which will include seven senior youth workers to work with the Local Area Committee's to develop services with and for young people.

The new Head of Youth Services has been meeting all elected members in LAC meetings and where requested individually.

It is essential the most sustainable operating model is presented that best demonstrates an offer that is fit for purpose and meets the needs of young people in Sheffield.

Q.4 We are over halfway through the financial year, how much of the additional £2m has been spent to date, and on what? What is the projected financial outturn at year end?

A.4 The £2M is part of the overall youth spend, committed to the previous Administration, and we have in previous answers outlined some of the additional activities undertaken so far, even with the limitations presented to us as we are still working with a global pandemic, however, this investment will go much further still and it is our intention to see investment spent by the end of the financial year.

Question of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing Parks and Leisure)

Q. How many complaints has the Council received about air pollution from commercial vehicles in our parks?

A. I and other Councillors have received some complaints from visitors to parks about the impact of vehicle fumes from commercial vehicles in parks and the use of small diesel generators. As this is a public health issue that has a particular impact on small children's respiratory systems we are not ignoring it and are investigating ways to address the issue.

Questions of Councillor Mike Levery to Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing Parks and Leisure)

Whilst transit arrangements for travellers won't be reviewed until 2024, it has been stated that "As an alternative to transit provision, some local authorities have tolerated stopping places for Gypsies and Travellers to temporarily stop when travelling through the area. This is an identified piece of land that is used for a certain amount of time with water and wastage facilities provided at a charge. This offers somewhere for the Travellers to go rather than an unauthorised encampment, but it can also lead to a greater number of visits as the community become aware of the stopping place.

Q.1 Will the exploration of temporary arrangements continue to be pursued?

A.1 It is not known at this time whether tolerated stopping places will be required. In relation to the Local Plan, a view in principle will be sought from full Council in January 2022. Following this, officers will go through a site selection process (this will include finding suitable sites for Travellers). Officers will then write up the draft Local Plan (Reg19) with a view to taking it to a new Planning Policy Committee in July 2022. This will need full Council approval in September before going out to consultation in October-November. The aim is to submit the draft plan by April 2023. As the site selection process progresses, Councillors will be able to consider whether a tolerated site is needed and appropriate.

Q.2 Should this not be the case, what financial provision will be made for site hardening parks which are subject to travellers' visits during July and August each year?

A.2 We have been asked to explore options around securing some sites around the city. This includes Angram Bank playing fields (potentially installing 100 boulders around the perimeter, gallows gate, height restrictors to the car park alongside

vehicle bollards, and landscaping work at a cost of around £30k) and the former housing site opposite Angram Bank playing fields to prevent further issues if the field is secured (works could be similar alongside potential tree planting at a cost of around £14k). A further ask has been made to prevent anti-social behaviour at Thorpe Green (using metal knee rail barriers at a cost of around £22k).

In addition to these current asks, a number of improvements have been made at sites across the city recently, including Norfolk Park (boulders, knee rail fencing and the installation of a gallows gate), Ecclesfield Park (large tree limbs added to prevent further egress), Skye Edge (large boulders currently being installed), several access points around Don Valley (metal work shrouding added to lock points to increase security).

There are also several further sites that are open access or have very little egress controls. Significant initial investment would be required (although improved controls could offer opportunities to redesign areas to improve the visual appearance and offer biodiversity opportunities through tree planting, wildflower meadows and relaxed mowing to boundary changes).

Questions of Councillor Joe Otten to Councillor Alison Teal
(Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing
Parks and Leisure)

Q.1 Regarding your proposal to ban ice cream vans with diesel generators from our parks, do you recognise this is within the powers of the Licensing Committee?

A.1 There is no proposal to ban Ice Cream vans with diesel generators in parks. To suggest there is, is both cynical and grossly misleading. We are currently looking at options to see how we can both reduce diesel fumes for those people using our green spaces and support traders going forward.

Q.2 Regarding ‘sustainable neighbourhoods’, do you recognise the proposal to build up to 2500 houses in Attercliffe, using compulsory purchase orders if necessary, close to amenities and with good public transport links, to be an opportunity to build a more sustainable kind of neighbourhood?

A.2 I recognise the Attercliffe proposal and it is important to state what we mean by a sustainable neighbourhood. The proposals in the Town and Country Planning Association’s Healthy Homes Bill are a good starting point and I will be seeking to work with members across political groups to develop a common definition of a sustainable neighbourhood. Their provisions are:-

- (a) all new homes must be safe in relation to the risk of fire;
- (b) all new homes must have, as a minimum, the liveable space required to meet the needs of people over their whole life-time, including adequate internal and external storage space

- (c) all main living areas and bedrooms of a new dwelling must have access to natural light;
- (d) all new homes and their surroundings must be designed to be inclusive, accessible, and adaptable to suit the needs of all;
- (e) all new homes should be built within places that prioritise and provide access to sustainable transport and walkable services, including green infrastructure and play space;
- (f) all new homes must secure radical reductions in carbon emissions in line with the provisions of the Climate Change Act 2008;
- (g) all new homes must demonstrate how they will be resilient to a changing climate over their full life time;
- (h) all new homes must be built to design out crime and be secure;
- (i) all new homes must be free from unacceptable and intrusive noise and light pollution;
- (j) all new homes must not contribute to unsafe or illegal levels of indoor or ambient air pollution and must be built to minimise, and where possible eliminate, the harmful impacts of air pollution on human health and the environment; and
- (k) all new homes must be designed to provide year-round thermal comfort for inhabitants.

Questions from Councillor Sophie Thornton to Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing, Parks & and Leisure)

On the 7th of November there was a serious fireworks incident on Batemoor Road in Jordanthorpe involving a child.

Q1. What is the status of the CCTV at the Jordanthorpe Housing Office?

A1. We have CCTV at Jordanthorpe Housing Office which runs on an old analogue system and unfortunately doesn't provide digital images. The CCTV was installed many years ago and the quality of the footage isn't very clear and has a very grainy appearance when viewing.

The cameras were installed for staff safety reasons at a time when Area Housing Offices still collected cash from tenants for rent payments.

The cameras themselves are mainly internal in the old customer access area of the building. There are a couple of external cameras but unfortunately, they show little footage of Batemoor Road as they point towards the carpark and shopping centre.

The footage recorded is only available for 14 days to view and is set up to record over previous footage after this period. As a result, any requests need to be within the 14 day period.

If requested by the Police we are always happy to share any CCTV images with them that will help with their enquiries.

Q2. Will the Jordanthorpe Housing Office CCTV be updated if required and remain on?

A2. The current CCTV system remains on but as per the previous answer, does not offer great quality in regard to the images.

An enquiry was made by the area housing team a couple of years ago to look at upgrading the system, but they decided not to go ahead as the costs quoted were around £20k, and its very rare that the footage is requested.

Q3. What is the status of the CCTV at Jordanthorpe Library

A3. Jordanthorpe Library is an Associate (volunteer run) library, run by South Sheffield Community Initiatives, who have their own CCTV system.

Q4. Will the Jordanthorpe Libary CCTV be updated if required and remain on?

A4. This is a matter for South Sheffield Community Initiatives, we can provide Cllr Thornton with details of who to contact.

Questions from Councillor Barbara Masters to Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing, Parks & and Leisure)

Q1. In July this year I asked whether there are plans to extend the network to provide electric power to events attractions and traders beyond the city centre. You replied there is no specific programme to provide power for events across the city. Has this position changed?

A1. We are investigating options for providing electrical power for events and traders and when there is specific proposals I will inform the Council.

Q2. In September I asked questions on Fourth Street's recommended development options for Sheffield Central Library and the Graves Gallery which were said to be being considered in greater detail by the Council. Specifically:

(a) How long have the recommendations been with the Administration?

The report does not contain recommendations but a set of options and was commissioned by officers working on options under the previous Administration.

Options set out by officers under this Administration are being considered in context with other council priorities. Discussions are ongoing, including with Sheffield Museums Trust.

(b) What conclusions has the Administration reached on the recommendations?

There is no conclusion yet. Any conclusions will be subject to funding opportunities, constraints and priorities.

(c) Where can the report be found?

The report is draft and was never published. As reported in September, Fourth Street's work on Central Library was part of the work done across 2017 to 2019 as part of a major package of work following the then potential investment by a Chinese corporation that did not materialise as the Chinese investors pulled out.

Q3. I was told that a written response was to follow after Council. I have yet to receive it.

A.3 (a) the response now available?

Please specify what you want a written response to and I will get it for you

(b) What is the reason for the delay?

See above

Q4. In October this year you stated that current vendors/operators in Sheffield parks will continue to operate within the terms of their current licence.

A.4 (a) How many licences are up for renewal and out to tender for the start of next year's seasonal operations?

All of the existing ice cream licenses are up for renewal for next year's operations as all existing licences expired early in 2021 with a one-year extension given as a result of the Covid pandemic.

(b) When will the terms of the new tenders be made available?

January 2022.

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor George Lindars-Hammond (Executive Member for Health and Social Care) (to be answered by Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for

Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing Parks and Leisure)

Q.1 Before the pandemic, how many activities and sessions were taking place in our local leisure centres to support people such as heart attack and stroke victims? Please list the sessions, where they were taking place and how often they were taking place?

A.1 Places Leisure – 17

Sheffield City Trust - Prior to the pandemic these five venues hosted 32 classes per week. We were receiving on average 150 new referrals each month from doctors, secondary care services (e.g. physioworks and community support services (e.g. health trainers).

ZEST - Two sessions a week as well as exercise referral 1-1 sessions

Q.2 How many of these are still taking place?

A.2 Places Leisure – 17

Sheffield City Trust - At time of writing our five venues host 19 classes per week. In October we received 110 referrals and we are on track to grow this to above 110 in November.

ZEST - Just the referral sessions due to the limitations of the room available, the instructor availability and the inability to return to pre covid methods (vulnerable clients)

Q.3 When are any others likely to be reinstated?

A.3 Places Leisure - Going forward we are looking at reinstalling previous sessions and more – up to 23 but these will start at various times and date.

Sheffield City Trust (SCT) - Our plan is to grow the amount of referrals we receive each month for both Sheffield City Trust and for Sheffield Physical Activity Referral Scheme (SPARS). We aim to receive over 200 referrals per month by the end of 2022. We will do this by working with key stakeholders within healthcare to raise awareness of SPARS and continue to develop our offer. This will include COVID Rehab – SCT are the only operator in the city currently developing COVID Exercise Rehab via NHS referrals.

As restrictions are lifted we will be able to grow our timetable of classes and the capacity within each class. There is no exact date for this. In order to mitigate any inconveniences to customers we have also opened up a number of more mainstream fitness classes to exercise referral customers such as Yoga, Pilates and our Silver Circuits. Finally, we have an online offer for people with health conditions.

We are in ongoing discussions with the NHS about how to bring back NHS Active

Programmes to the venues in a COVID safe way.

We would invite any elected member to visit SCT venues to see our Exercise Referral Scheme in action, and to speak to me to learn more about both SCT and SPARS across the city

ZEST - Not while covid rates are still rising

**Question of Councillor Alan Woodcock to Councillor Paul Turpin
(Executive Member for Inclusive Economy, Jobs and Skills)**

Q. East Ecclesfield Ward Councillors have been supporting local businesses to establish a business group in Chapeltown. Business Support Advisors have also been advising local businesses in the last few months. Why were local councillors not involved or aware of the relevant Business Advisor before consulting with local businesses?

A. Business Sheffield Reopening High Street Information Officers have been working in localities since September 2020, at the height of the pandemic, helping local businesses across high streets in Sheffield, throughout the lockdown to access grants, remain trading (online), understand restrictions and prepare for reopening and recovery. The Business Information Officer team, who are part of Business Sheffield, have continued to operate to support local businesses with general business support, helping businesses survive and recover alongside helping groups of businesses to come together and work on the Economic Recovery Fund projects.

All Councillors have been engaged throughout this activity through Covid Members Briefings and email communications. Business Sheffield have also undertaken further presentations and regular meetings with Local Community Response Teams and more recently through the Local Area Committees. The Community Officers in each of the LAC areas and LAC chairs have been briefed, and Councillors have been kept updated through both induction and training sessions.

The Business Information Officer covering Chapeltown is Simon Walton, Simon is regularly engaged with the independent businesses based in Chapeltown. If the Councillors would like to meet Simon then we are happy to arrange a joint visit or meeting.

Questions of Councillor Simon Clement-Jones to Councillor Paul Turpin (Executive Member for Inclusive Economy, Jobs and Skills)

Q.1 How many applications have there been for funding from the Economic Recovery Fund:-

(a) across the city as a whole?

There have been 104 applications across the city. The table below gives the geographic breakdown. Please note this includes speculative applications, incomplete, duplicate and ineligible applications.

I will reiterate again that there is an empty seat with Lib Dems name on, on the Economic Recovery Fund Steering Group. You can choose to represent the people that voted for you and join us when we next meet. As I have made clear several times, you are welcome to all and any information on the ERF any time you wish, if you just join the group.

(b) by LAC?

See table below.

(c) by Ward?
See table below.

A.1

Final Outcome	(All)
LAC Area and Ward	Total applications
Central	45
Broomhill & Sharrow Vale	4
City	34
Hillsborough	5
Walkley	2
East	4
Darnall	1
Manor Castle	2
Richmond	1
Multiple/city wide	23
Multiple/city wide	23
North	9
East Ecclesfield	6
West Ecclesfield	3
North East	5
Burngreave	2
Firth Park	1
Shiregreen & Brightside	2
South	7
Gleadless Valley	1
Nether Edge & Sharrow	6
South East	8
Beighton	2
Birley	1
Mosborough	1
Woodhouse	4
South West	3
Crookes & Crosspool	1
Dore & Totley	1
Fulwood	1
Grand Total	104

Q.2 How many successful/in progress/rejected applications have there been for funding from the Economic Recovery Fund:-

(a) across the city as a whole?

To date 18 projects have been approved across the city, with a further 10 in the pipeline (in development or awaiting approval). 76 were therefore either did not meet the scoring criteria or were ineligible.

(b) by LAC?

See table below.

(c) by Ward?

See table below (approved/pipeline projects).

Table 1

Overview of the Economic Recovery Fund: approved and pipeline projects by LAC area			
LAC Area	Approved funding by LAC area	Number of projects	Wards
North	£50,000	1	East Ecclesfield
North East	£350,000	3	Firth Park, Burngreave (2)
East	£50,000	1	Manor Castle
South East	£75,000	2	Woodhouse, Mosborough
South	£113,100	2	Nether Edge & Sharrow (2)
South West	£63,771	2	Dore & Totley, Crookes & Crosspool
Central	£748,670	5	Hillsborough, Walkley, City (2), Broomhill & Sharrow
Multiple	£150,000	2	N/A
Summer in the Outdoor City programme	£551,432	10 (city and city wide)	City/city wide

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To note the pipeline (projects in development) may still change.

Q.3 How much funding has been awarded/or is in progress/or has been rejected for funding from the Economic Recovery Fund:-

(a) across the city as a whole?

Total funding awarded to date is £1,688,873. This includes an enhancement to the ERF of £415,374 that was secured from Area Restricted Grant in support of the events that took place in the Summer in the Outdoor City programme.

Total funding allocated to pipeline projects still in development and yet to be submitted/approved is £538,100. With the balance aligned to evaluation of the fund, and further research in district and local centres to shape future interventions after the Economic Recovery Fund.

Detailed information on the rejected projects is not available due to the unreliable nature of the information arising from gaps in data, incomplete applications, and speculative and ineligible applications. Please see table 1 above for the number of applications received / rejected, however reliable financial information cannot be attributed to the data.

(b) by LAC?

See above question for successful and in progress funding allocations as they currently stand.

(c) by Ward?

See above for successful and in progress funding allocations as they currently stand.

Q.4 How much is there still to allocate from the Economic Recovery Fund?

A.4 All funded is allocated. However, total funding allocated to pipeline projects still in development and yet to be submitted/approved is £538,100 (allocated but not yet committed).

**Questions of Councillor Andrew Sangar to Councillor Paul Wood
(Executive Member for Housing, Roads and Waste Management)**

Q.1 How many buildings of between 11-18m are there in Sheffield which require their cladding to be replaced?

A.1 We do not hold this information for the private sector as the focus is on the priority blocks over 18m. We are working closely with South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue, Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and leaseholders to ensure that blocks over 18m in the private sector are being fully investigated and any unsafe cladding is identified and remediation works are carried out. Where necessary, appropriate enforcement action is being taken. We are also working closely with the Government to signpost building manager to available funding to support required works.

The Council owned one block where cladding needed to be replaced and this was completed in 2019.

Q.2 Other than lobbying the Government, what is the Council doing to ensure that these buildings all get the work required?

A.2 South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue are the enforcing authority for blocks of flats. The current focus is on buildings over 18m and therefore the majority of enforcement is linked to this area.

Q.3 What is the Council doing to help leaseholders who now face these additional, unexpected very large bills?

A.3 We have created a dedicated webpage for leaseholders which provides information and sign posts them to services who can offer support. This web page will be live within the next few weeks. As part of this, we have undertaken with colleagues in planning, an extensive document retrieval project which will enable the Council to be open and transparent by publishing planning and building control documents so that if leaseholders are seeking to take any civil action, relevant documents are available. We have also created a dedicated email address so that leaseholders have a single point of contact.

The Council did not charge leaseholders for the replacement cladding on the block owned by the Council.

We also vocally support Sheffield's Cladding Action Group and their demands to Government.

Q.4 How many of these buildings currently do not have a full fire safety accreditation from South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue?

A.4 South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue should be able to advise on this matter.

Q.5 How many rough sleepers are there in Sheffield this month?

A.5 Our monthly headcount for October 2021 showed that there were 23 rough sleepers at that point. Of these, nine had available accommodation and we are continuing to work with them to support them to return and live consistently in their accommodation.

We will continue to do everything we can to help rough sleepers off the streets and into safe and secure accommodation.

Q.6 What plans are there for the use of emergency accommodation this winter to ensure that there are no rough sleepers during the winter months?

A.6 We have had a 'Winter Plan' in place – this has lasted from throughout last winter and continued as a rough sleeper plan throughout the summer.

We are also considering how best to increase any available capacity within our winter plan to ensure that all rough sleepers have accommodation options. The service is also receiving advice from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on opportunities for additional funding via the Winter Pressures Fund to help keep rough sleepers safe from winter weather this year. This has not yet been finalised.

Q.7 How many missed bin collections have there been in each of the last three months?

A.7 The number of missed bin collections reported by customers to Veolia are as follows: August = 1196, September = 1092, October = 967

Q.8 What are the provisions within the Veolia contract around missed bin collections and the cancelled bin collections due to crew shortages?

A.8 If the question relates to industrial action, the contract provides that Veolia recover collections in five (working) days after the action ends.

Q.9 How many drivers have left Veolia in the last six months? Have these all been replaced?

A.9 5. Not all have been replaced.

Q.10 On how many days in the last year has the Sheffield Energy Recovery Facility needed additional fuel?

A.10 2021 - 20 days where gas has been used. The gas is not continually used on each of these days and equates to 26 hours of gas use.

2020 - 18 days where gas was used. The gas is not continually used on each of these days and equates to 24 hours of gas use.

Q.11 On how many days in the last year has the Sheffield Energy Recovery Facility been shut down for maintenance?

A.11 2020 - 20.35 days
2021 - 21.75 days (YTD)

Q.12 Following recent press reports around likely shortages, are you confident in the ability of Amey to have an adequate supply of grit, gritters, and grit bins this winter?

A.12 Amey are receiving regular and ongoing deliveries of grit and now have in stock the level required by the Government.

Q.13. What has the initial cost of a 'Bring Out Your Rubbish' day been each year when they were held over the 10 years? And what has the cost per tonne of rubbish taken away been each year?

A.13 Data retention policy means financial records are not retained after seven years.

The event and tonnage prices are set in the Veolia contract and are subject to an annual RPIX increase.

April 2014 - £951.39 per event & £119.82 per tonne
April 2015 - £962.35 per event & £120.04 per tonne
April 2016 - £975.94 per event & £121.01 per tonne
April 2017 - £1003.89 per event & £137.19 per tonne
April 2018 - £1044.31 per event & £142.71 per tonne
April 2019 - £1070.37 per event & £146.27 per tonne
April 2020 - £1099.83 per event & £150.30 per tonne
April 2021 - £1117.20 per event & £152.67 per tonne

**Questions of Councillor Sophie Thornton to Councillor Paul Wood
(Executive Member for Housing, Roads and Waste Management)**

Q.1 What is the current number of outstanding or incomplete council house repairs?

A.1 The number of overdue council housing repairs is currently 6,575.

Q.2 What was the average waiting time for a council house repair issue to be resolved over the last month? and what was the longest wait?

A.2 The average waiting time is 15.13 days. We have a number of jobs where we struggle to gain access despite multiple attempts, including the oldest job of 961 days.

Q.3 What was the average waiting time on the council house repairs phone line before answering in the last month? and what was the longest wait?

A.3 In October the average waiting time for the Repairs Contact Centre was 39m:01s, with the longest wait 1h 50m. The Contact Centre currently answers between 500 and 700 calls daily. To help provide a better repairs service, a new repairs system is being introduced in the coming weeks, Contact Centre Advisors received training on this in October and this continues throughout November. Contact Centre and Repairs and Maintenance colleagues continue to work closely together to seek to ensure that the service is operating as efficiently as possible, and this includes continuing to seek more ways to reduce call handling times and waiting times.

Q.4 How many repair issues have been 'closed' in the last month as a result of not being able to make contact with a resident?

A.4 838 repair orders have been closed during October due to no access.



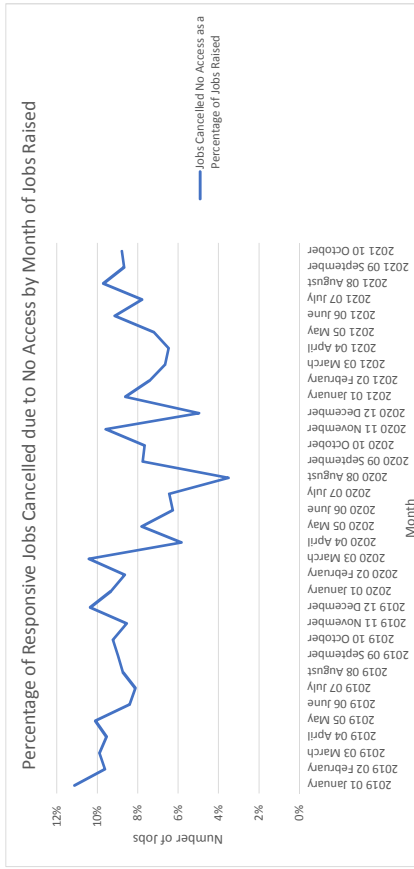
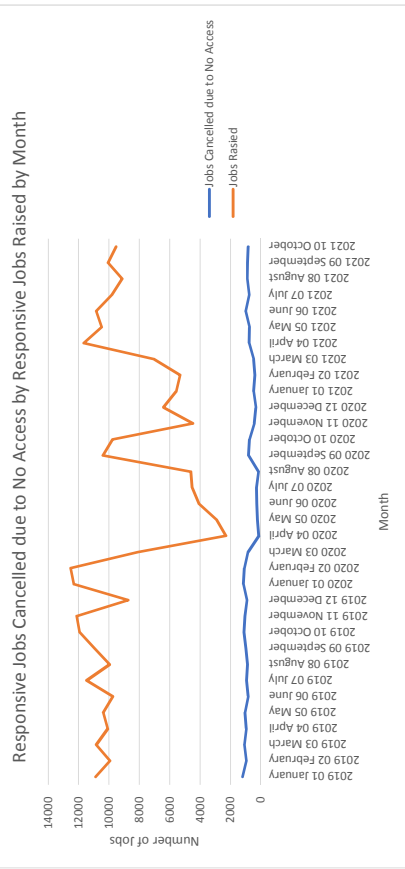
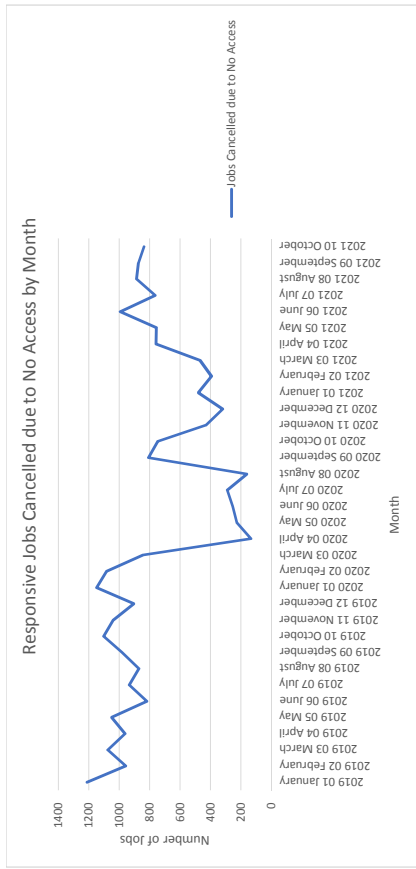
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Jobs 01-01-2019 to 3

Additional info - In the 12 months preceding Covid the level of cancelled no access jobs was between 8% and 10% of all orders raised

The level of cancelled no access jobs has remained at the same level post lockdown (in the last 3 months 10%, 9%, 9%)

As a service, we have significant issues with no access, this should improve with our new IT system which includes enhanced automated customer reminders of appointments (the day before an appointment and whilst the operative is on route to an appointment).

Q.5 How many council housing residents are currently in temporary accommodation due to maintenance issues at their primary residence?



Month	Jobs Cancelled due to No Access	Jobs Raised	Jobs Cancelled No Access as a Percentage of Jobs Raised
2019 01 January	1213	10897	11%
2019 02 February	957	9943	10%
2019 03 March	1075	10856	10%
2019 04 April	963	10081	10%
2019 05 May	1051	10395	10%
2019 06 June	820	9747	8%
2019 07 July	934	11492	8%
2019 08 August	871	9864	9%
2019 09 September	984	10957	9%
2019 10 October	1104	11953	9%
2019 11 November	1039	12145	9%
2019 12 December	906	8743	10%
2020 01 January	1150	12327	9%
2020 02 February	1085	12542	9%
2020 03 March	845	8111	10%
2020 04 April	135	2312	6%
2020 05 May	228	2919	8%
2020 06 June	256	4086	6%
2020 07 July	291	4511	6%
2020 08 August	162	4601	4%
2020 09 September	808	10412	8%
2020 10 October	748	9764	8%
2020 11 November	429	4480	10%
2020 12 December	320	6426	5%
2021 01 January	481	5581	9%
2021 02 February	394	5315	7%
2021 03 March	489	7049	7%
2021 04 April	757	11671	6%
2021 05 May	756	10491	7%
2021 06 June	993	10858	9%
2021 07 July	765	9825	8%
2021 08 August	887	9139	10%
2021 09 September	873	10062	9%
2021 10 October	838	9532	9%

A.5 We have been able to identify duplicate rent accounts from 103 accounts (decants) and 101 accounts (secure tenancies). There are currently 24 open on Ohms. 2 decant accounts are from 2019, 4 from 2020 and 18 from 2021. The accommodation provided is from Sheffield City Council stock and is the correct property size for the household.

Q.6 A disabled resident who contacted me recently was told that when their heating broke in their council house that they were not ‘a priority’. This is clearly wrong. Therefore, what training is the Council providing and can such training be provided to staff to ensure this does not happen again?

A.6 We are reviewing our priorities and training all our staff as part of the launch of a new IT system at the end of November

Q.7 What is the Council doing to ensure that with the existing large backlog of housing repairs, that it does not misallocate critical repair jobs as non-priority?

A.7 We continue to focus on emergency and urgent repairs. All repairs are categorised when they are reported and diagnosis of repairs will improve with the new IT system. The backlog of repairs is planned work which by its nature is not critical or urgent.

Q.8 What support is the Council providing to council housing residents to ensure more do not fall into fuel poverty this winter as energy prices seem set to go up?

A.8 **Written answer to follow**

Q.9 What is being done to deal with the horrific problems highlighted in the media recently with flats in Callow Place?

A.9 **Written answer to follow**

**Question of Councillor Richard Shaw to Councillor Paul Wood
(Executive Member for Housing, Roads and Waste Management)**

Q. When will the fire damage to Flat 402 Batemoor Road and communal areas be repaired?

- A. The property had significant fire damage and work is well underway, however due to the scale of works involved it will be a further 3-4 weeks to completion.

**Questions of Councillor Lewis Chinchon to Councillor Paul Wood
(Executive Member for Housing, Roads and Waste Management)**

- Q.1 What is the current number of outstanding council house repairs and how does this compare to 3 months ago?**

A.1 The number of overdue repairs is currently 6,575. The number three months ago (15th August) was 5,318, however over the last two weeks this number has reduced by 160 jobs.

- Q.2 Where did Veolia get the waste collectors needed to cover over the weekend of 6/7 November, to minimise the disruption caused by the strike on Monday 8 November?**

A.2 Veolia maintain a pool of agency staff to cover holidays and sickness of front line crews and this is the resource they deployed.

**Questions of Councillor Mike Levery to Councillor Alison Teal
(Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing
Parks and Leisure) (to be answered by Councillor Paul Wood,
(Executive Member for Housing, Roads and Waste Management)**

Whilst transit arrangements for travellers won't be reviewed until 2024, it has been stated that "As an alternative to transit provision, some local authorities have tolerated stopping places for Gypsies and Travellers to temporarily stop when travelling through the area. This is an identified piece of land that is used for a certain amount of time with water and wastage facilities provided at a charge. This offers somewhere for the Travellers to go rather than an unauthorised encampment, but it can also lead to a greater number of visits as the community become aware of the stopping place.

- Q.1 Will the exploration of temporary arrangements continue to be pursued?**

A.1 It is not known at this time whether tolerated stopping places will be required. In relation to the Local Plan, a view in principle will be sought from full Council in January 2022. Following this, officers will go through a site selection process **(this will include finding suitable sites for Travellers)**. Officers will then write up the draft Local Plan (Reg19) with a view to taking it to a new Planning Policy Committee in July 2022. This will need full Council approval in September before going out to consultation in October-November. The aim is to submit the draft plan by April 2023. As the site selection process progresses, Councillors will be

able to consider whether a tolerated site is needed and appropriate.

Q.2 Should this not be the case, what financial provision will be made for site hardening parks which are subject to travellers' visits during July and August each year?

A.2 We have been asked to explore options around securing some sites around the city. This includes Angram Bank playing fields (potentially installing 100 boulders around the perimeter, gallows gate, height restrictors to the car park alongside vehicle bollards, and landscaping work at a cost of around £30k) and the former housing site opposite Angram bank playing fields to prevent further issues if the field is secured (works could be similar alongside potential tree planting at a cost of around £14k). A further ask has been made to prevent anti-social behaviour at Thorpe Green (using metal knee rail barriers at a cost of around £22k).

In addition to these current asks, a number of improvements have been made at sites across the city recently, including Norfolk Park (boulders, knee rail fencing and the installation of a gallows gate), Ecclesfield Park (large tree limbs added to prevent further egress), Sky Edge (large boulders currently being installed), several access points around Don Valley (metal work shrouding added to lock points to increase security).

There are also several further sites that are open access or have very little egress controls. Significant initial investment would be required (although improved controls could offer opportunities to redesign areas to improve the visual appearance and offer biodiversity opportunities through tree planting, wildflower meadows and relaxed mowing to boundary changes).

**Questions of Councillor Mike Lavery to Councillor Jayne Dunn
(Executive Member for Education, Children and Families) – to be
answered by Councillor Terry Fox (Leader of the Council)**

It is now over a year since Youth Services was insourced, and a £2m additional funding announced for the year 2021/22. Could you clarify the following please?

Q.1 In the July Council meeting, the response to the question “Does the Operating Model identify where new youth clubs are planned to be brought into operation?”, the response was “New ongoing provision will start from the September term”. Can you please advise where these new youth clubs are operating?”

A.1 This question will be answered by Councillor Terry Fox

Q.2 In the July Council meeting, the response to the question “What is the target completion date for achieving pay harmonisation for the former Sheffield Futures staff?”, the response was “For the remainder of the Youth Services staff not included in this Early Help review, we are not allowed under the terms of the transfer to harmonise their terms and conditions; however, if the trade unions make such a request we will work with them.” TUPE transfer terms are clear that transferring employees retain their previous terms and conditions, and can opt for harmonisation, if offered, if it improves their terms and conditions.

Bearing in mind that the transferred staff have had no pay increases for a number of years, and their pay is well below comparable jobs in Sheffield City Council, why has there been no attempt to seek pay harmonisation for the staff who aren’t part of the Early Help review?

A.2 This question will be answered by Councillor Terry Fox

Q.3 It was agreed in July that the Youth Services Operating Model would be presented to the next meeting of the Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee? The Committee met on the 13th October, but Youth Services wasn’t on the agenda. When will the Youth Services Operating Model be presented to this Committee?

A.3 This question will be answered by Councillor Terry Fox

Q.4 We are over halfway through the financial year, how much of the additional £2m has been spent to date, and on what? What is the projected financial outturn at year end?

A.4 This question will be answered by Councillor Terry Fox

Questions of Councillor Mohammed Mahroof to Councillor Jayne Dunn (Executive Member for Education, Children and Families)

Q.1 There is a discrepancy in surplus school places in the City. Can you clarify how many surplus school places are available in:-

- (a)** each Secondary School in the City?
- (b)** each Primary School?

A.1

Locality	Primary Places	Secondary places
A	387	165
B	532	371
C	420	160
D	986	226
E	568	69
F	336	63
G	758	130

Q.2 Can you also clarify numbers on the waiting list for:-

- (a)** each Secondary School in the City?
- (b)** each Primary School?

A.2 See attached waiting list information for both primary and secondary school. Waiting lists themselves are not indicative of a lack of places. They are more a reflection on a school's popularity. All children on a waiting list for example have a place elsewhere so it is not an indication of a lack of places just that the schools aren't big enough to accommodate demand.

It should be noted that the council are responsible for admissions for reception and year 7. Year on year admissions are handled by the schools, and if over-subscribed then challenges can go through the appeals process.

Cllr Mahroof has a monthly briefing with officers at the highest level where he has access to this information and to question officers. I am also always happy to speak with Cllr Mahroof direct, so I would hope that he doesn't feel he has to wait until Full Council to raise questions.

PANs by NCY 2020/21
School Census Summer 2021

PA	SCHOOL	PAN by NCY					NOR					Vacancies				
		Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11
1	High Storrs School	240	248	240	240	240	240	247	241	243	246	0	1	-1	-3	-6
	King Egbert School	210	210	193	213	193	210	208	196	209	204	0	2	-3	4	-11
	King Edward VII School	238	238	238	230	230	226	221	226	227	219	12	17	12	3	11
	Mercia School	180	120	120	0	0	180	127	121	0	0	0	-7	-1	0	0
	Notre Dame RC School	210	210	210	210	210	214	214	210	214	221	-4	-4	0	-4	-11
	Silverdale School	180	240	240	180	240	180	236	235	179	238	0	4	5	1	2
	Tapton School	272	284	264	264	256	271	290	264	264	254	1	-6	0	0	2
UTC Sheffield	0	0	120	120	120	0	0	113	93	96	0	0	7	27	24	
1 Total		1530	1550	1625	1457	1489	1521	1543	1606	1429	1478	9	7	19	28	11
2	Bradfield School	240	240	210	210	210	229	236	200	200	206	11	4	10	10	4
	Forge Valley School	255	240	240	240	240	254	237	237	240	216	1	3	3	0	24
	Stocksbridge High School	190	180	180	180	180	154	183	156	149	153	36	-3	24	31	27
2 Total	685	660	630	630	630	637	656	593	589	575	48	4	37	41	55	
3	Chaucer School	180	180	180	190	210	176	167	170	165	186	4	13	10	25	24
	Ecclesfield School	360	350	350	350	350	355	328	331	323	345	5	22	19	27	5
	Yewlands Academy	180	180	180	180	210	183	179	163	155	194	-3	1	17	25	16
3 Total	720	710	710	720	770	714	674	664	643	725	6	36	46	77	45	
4	Astrea Academy SP	150	150	150	0	0	153	151	139	0	0	-3	-1	11	0	0
	Fir Vale School	220	210	210	233	210	201	185	187	196	200	19	25	23	37	10
	Firth Park Academy	255	240	240	290	273	234	237	206	239	232	21	3	34	51	41
	Hinde House SP	195	185	160	180	180	193	180	146	167	158	2	5	14	13	22
	Parkwood Academy	180	180	180	210	180	154	128	148	203	176	26	52	32	7	4
4 Total	1000	965	940	913	843	935	881	826	805	766	65	84	114	108	77	
5	All Saints RC School	205	205	205	205	205	207	207	201	203	209	-2	-2	4	2	-4
	Oasis Don Valley SP	130	120	120	0	0	129	125	111	0	0	1	-5	9	0	0
	Sheffield Park Academy	210	217	210	210	210	207	206	193	209	200	3	11	17	1	10
	Sheffield Springs Academy	210	210	210	210	210	206	205	169	173	129	4	5	41	37	81
	UTC Sheffield OLP	0	0	120	120	120	0	0	102	104	93	0	0	18	16	27
5 Total	755	752	865	745	745	749	743	776	689	631	6	9	89	56	114	
6	Handsworth Grange Community Sports College	205	205	205	205	205	206	205	196	204	213	-1	0	9	1	-8
	Outwood Academy City	240	240	240	240	240	236	236	225	224	211	4	4	15	16	29
	The Birley Academy	235	235	235	235	235	230	223	217	209	205	5	12	18	26	30
	Westfield School	240	270	270	270	270	236	262	230	205	210	4	8	40	65	60
6 Total	920	950	950	950	950	908	926	868	842	839	12	24	82	108	111	
7	Meadowhead School Academy Trust	340	330	330	330	330	311	324	324	330	307	29	6	6	0	23
	Newfield Secondary School	210	220	210	230	210	213	212	201	216	202	-3	8	9	14	8
7 Total	550	550	540	560	540	524	536	525	546	509	26	14	15	14	31	
TOTAL	6160	6137	6260	5975	5967	5988	5959	5858	5543	5523	172	178	402	432	444	

Catchment	R	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Total
Abbey Lane Primary School		1											1
Abbeyfield Primary Academy							3						3
Acres Hill Community Primary School	1		4	1	1	6	6						19
All Saints' Catholic High School								9	19	13	7	2	50
Anns Grove Primary School	28	5	4	1	1	4	3						46
Arbourthorne Community Primary School	4	7		1	1	5	2						20
Aston Academy										1	1		2
Astrea Academy Sheffield								4	17	5	2		28
Athelstan Primary School					1	3	4						8
Ballifield Primary School	16	6		1	1	2	6						32
Bankwood Community Primary School		1											1
Beck Primary School		2	4	3	3	2	2						16
Bradfield Dungworth Primary School				1	1								2
Bradway Primary School			1			1							2
Brightside Nursery and Infant School	1												1
Brinsworth Academy										1			1
Brook House Junior School						1							1
Broomhill Infant School	29	1	1										31
Brunswick Community Primary School	14	1		1	1		2						19
Byron Wood Primary Academy		2	1		3	2	1						9
Carfield Primary School		1											1
Carter Knowle Junior School						1	1						2
Charnock Hall Primary Academy	4												4
Chaucer School									2				2
Clifford All Saints CofE Primary School		1					1						2
Coit Primary School	12		1										13
Dobcroft Infant School	28	4	12										44
Dobcroft Junior School				7	8	1	3						19
Dore Primary School	1	3	7	4	4	6	1						26
E-Act Pathways Academy							1						1
Ecclesall Primary School	10	1	6	1	3		3						24
Ecclesfield Primary School			4		1								5
Ecclesfield School									1				1
Emmaus Catholic & CofE Primary School	11					3							14
Fir Vale School									5				5
Firth Park Academy								5	2	1			8
Forge Valley School								2	1	2	3		8
Fox Hill Primary		1											1
Gleadless Primary School		1											1
Greengate Lane Academy						1							1
Greenhill Primary School		3				2							5
Grenoside Community Primary School						1							1
Greystones Primary School	1	2	3		4	1	3						14
Hallam Primary School	12	5		5	5	1	5						33
Handsworth Grange Community Sports College								2	12	3		1	18
Hartley Brook Primary School		1	1	3	5	1	3						14
Hatfield Academy		1	2		1		4						8
High Hazels Junior School					1	4	4						9
High Hazels Nursery Infant School			7										7
High Storrs School								4	12	10	4	2	32
Hillsborough Primary School			2	1	4	3							10
Hinde House 3-16 School	14	7	2	3	11	11	11	6	7		1		73
Holt House Infant School		2	1	1									4
Hucklow Primary School		3	6	3	9	3	7	8					39
Hunter's Bar Infant School	13	6	4										23
Hunter's Bar Junior School				9	8	3	5						25
Intake Primary School		1	1		1	2							5
King Egbert School								5	15	10	8	4	42
King Edward VII School								12	28	17	15	5	77
Limpsfield Junior School				2			1						3

Totley Primary School	1	3	10	5	6	6	5													36
Valley Park Community School		2	1																	3
Walkley Primary School	1			3	2	1	1													8
Watercliffe Meadow Community Primary School	4	1	1			1														7
Westfield School									3	5	4	1								13
Westways Primary School	4		5	5	1	2														17
Wharnccliffe Side Primary School													1							1
Whiteways Primary School				1									6							7
Wickersley School and Sports College														1						1
Windmill Hill Primary School				1																1
Wisewood Community Primary School																			1	1
Woodhouse West Primary School																				1
Woodthorpe Primary School			2	1	1															5
Wybourn Community Primary and Nursery School	35	10	1	2	2	1														51
Yewlands Academy														2	1					3

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Community Engagement and Governance)

Q.1 Please could you give an update regarding the progress of the forthcoming inquiry into the felling of trees in Sheffield? And specifically, the search for and appointment of a Chair of the inquiry?

A.1 Adverts for the role went live on 15th November. Being placed both locally and nationally to attract an independent and impartial candidate who brings strong leadership and drive to carry out this important work.

The recruitment process is designed to identify an external, independent person who is unconnected to the issue and will include an opportunity for key stakeholders to meet short-listed candidates.

The Council aims to complete recruitment to the role by early in January 2022.

Q.2 Of the written answers promised at the last Full Council meeting, how many were provided within 10 working days? And how many were answered in total? How many are outstanding?

A.2 I believe that all of last month's written answers have been provided. I apologise that most of these were not done so within 10 days. Whilst there is no requirement to send written answers within a particular timeframe, we will always endeavour to get these to members as quickly as possible.

Questions of Councillor Colin Ross to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Community Engagement and Governance)

Q.1 At the last Council meeting in response to a written question you said that a working group was going to be set up to review CIL allocation. You were unable to provide details of its composition or to whom it would report. Can you please provide those details now?

A.1 A small working group has been established to look at CIL in the context of Neighbourhood Plans, consisting of LAC staff, Planning and Legal Services.

The Group so far, bringing together Council officers from Communities, Planning and Legal and Governance, is looking at the legality of what is achievable, and considering the various scenarios relating to the use and distribution of Neighbourhood CIL including the development of Neighbourhood Plans and the additional 5% of the main CIL. However, all neighbourhood CIL pots are open and applications are being processed.

Once the legal implications are understood by the working group then Members will be consulted further and I will ensure that Cllr Ross is updated on the process.

Q.2 What is the timescale by which this working group will report its findings?

A.2 This is a complex area but we are hoping to have the outcomes from the group ready for discussion early in the new year.

Questions of Councillor Lewis Chinchen to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Community Engagement and Governance)

Q.1 Changes to housing supply targets were announced in December 2020. If the Council are claiming that this is the main reason for the delay to the Local Plan, why has it taken almost a year for the Council to revise the Local Plan timetable?

A.1 To be answered by Councillor Iqbal.

Q.2 I understand time savings are being considered to reduce the delay to the Local Plan. Which parts of the timetable is the Council looking to refine and how will this be undertaken?

A.2 To be answered by Councillor Iqbal.

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor Mazher Iqbal (Executive Member for City Futures: Development, Culture and Regeneration)

Q.1 Could you please update the Council on the current plans for the Castlegate area including the Castle?

A.1 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Q.2 When did the Castlegate working group last meet?

A.2 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Q.3 When will it be meeting again?

A.3 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Questions of Councillor Lewis Chinchen to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Community Engagement and Governance) (to be answered by Cllr Mazher Iqbal (Executive Member for City Futures: Development, Culture and Regeneration))

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Questions from Councillor Mohammed Mahroof to Councillor Mazher Iqbal (Executive Member for City Futures: Development, Culture and Regeneration) (to be answered by Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing, Parks and Leisure))

Q.1 Regarding the Leisure Services Review; as the majority of the facilities are leased to Sheffield City Trust which is an independent organisation and as such when the leases were entered into were there condition surveys done and were there photographic indexes appended to the leases?

A.1 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Q.2 If they were, then should the Council be carrying out dilapidation survey for dilapidation claims? If we are not doing this, why not?

A.2 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Q.3 The cost of the backlog maintenance is £63 million minimum. Should this not be the responsibility of the Trust?

A.3 Absent due to family bereavement – written answer to follow.

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

Q.1 Will LPG vehicles be exempt from charging within the proposed Clean Air Zone?

A.1 Yes, providing the LPG vehicle is recognised as having emissions equivalent to the minimum standards for compliance of Euro 6 Diesel or Euro 4 Petrol.

Q.2 How many vehicles does the City Council operate? 173

- (a) How many of these have Euro 6 engines? 113
- (b) How many are hybrid? 0
- (c) How many are full electric? 20
- (d) How many are Euro 5 and below? 40

Please could you also provide the figures by department?

ARBS & GROUNDS:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	28
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	23
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	1
How many are Euro 5 and below?	4

ELECTRICAL:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	16
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	14
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	2
How many are Euro 5 and below?	0

HIGHWAYS:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	23
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	11
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	1
How many are Euro 5 and below?	11

MISC ASSETS:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	14
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	6
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	3
How many are Euro 5 and below?	5

NON-CORE:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	12
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	10

How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	0
How many are Euro 5 and below?	2

STREETSCENE:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	43
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	30
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	1
How many are Euro 5 and below?	12

STRUCTURES:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	5
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	4
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	0
How many are Euro 5 and below?	1

WINTER:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	15
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	10
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	0
How many are Euro 5 and below?	5

OVERHEADS:

How many vehicles does the Section operate?	16
How many of these have Euro 6 engines?	4
How many are hybrid?	N/A
How many are full electric?	12
How many are Euro 5 and below?	0

Q.3 How many Euro 6 vehicles does the Parks Department operate within our parks?

A.3 I will respond with a written answer when I have this information.

Q.4 What are the City Council's plans for free transport in the city in the run up to Christmas?

A.4 As in previous years, we will be directly funding the provision of bus services on Boxing Day and New Year's Day. It is essential that we provide opportunities to get people to work, visit family and friends, or get into the city centre over the festive period and without funding these buses wouldn't run. We are also currently working with SYMCA on the potential for further incentives to increase public transport use during the festive period. Options are still being discussed.

Q.5 What are the City Council's plans for free parking in the city in the run up to Christmas?

A.5 Free parking will not be offered this year because it would be inconsistent with other moves to address air pollution and climate change. The Council should not therefore be providing incentives to bring individual cars into the city centre. Instead, (and see above), we wish to work with SYPTTE to offer improved public transport in the run-up to Christmas.

Q.6 How many complaints has the Council had about traffic and road safety around Mylnhurst School, off Button Hill, Ecclesall, in the last year?

A.6 In the past 12 months, the Council's CONFIRM system has recorded one enquiry regarding traffic at Mylnhurst School. There have been a further 2 regarding Button Hill.

Q.7 When was the last time Council highways officers visited the area and carried out an assessment of road safety issues around the School?

A.7 In September 2021, a Council Officer was in the area to observe the behaviour around Button Hill, Woodholme Road, Springfield Road and Ranelagh Drive. At the visit, waiting restrictions were being adhered to, including the double yellow lines and school keep clear (zig zags). There was the anticipated congestion relating to car movements, which has reduced vehicle speeds in the area. Crossing of the roads for pedestrians was not impeded during this visit.

**Questions of Councillor Sue Alston to Councillor Douglas Johnson
(Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)**

With regard to Green Parking Permits, these permits are currently issued for vehicles meeting certain criteria regarding emissions and are free on application. They permit the user to park free of charge in Council run car parks in and near to the city centre.

Q.1 Are there any plans to enable their use in Council car parks elsewhere in the city?

A.1 Parking services are currently working on this to extend green permits to Council car parks in outer city centre, discussions are taking place with the Head of Parks to consider this for Parks car parks as well. This is still in early stages.

Q.2 Specifically, are there any plans to enable their use in the car parks attached to our parks and open spaces?

A.2 Discussions are taking place with Parks regarding green permits.

Q.3 In July you told us, in response to a question, that the 20mph zone (SW08) which seems to cover most of Fulwood ward, was to be consulted on in the current financial year. Can you give me an update on when this will happen?

A.3 The implementation of our 20mph programme is prioritised on a 'worst first' basis,

using accident data from the South Yorkshire Road Safety partnership. Although we have recently reviewed the implementation process to speed up the delivery of 20mph schemes, there are still eighteen areas that are due to progress before the Fulwood scheme. We are looking to deliver this scheme as soon as possible.

Question of Councillor Ian Auckland to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

Q. Is there any intention to institute a program of “Streetworks” in order to bring unadopted public highway up to an adoptable standard to be maintained at public expense?

A. No. A previous query in 2019 identified that around £50 million of funding would be required if this was to be taken forward.

Questions of Councillor Alexi Dimond to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

Q.1 Members may be aware that the Conservative Government - including Sheffield MP Miriam Cates - recently voted to allow privatised water companies to continue releasing raw sewage into our rivers. Have any of Sheffield’s rivers been affected by this?

A.1 Yes, as with any major urban area, Sheffield has its share of Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO). They are a vital part of our sewer network allowing the network to outfall into watercourses under times of high flows to prevent sewerage backing up and flooding property and streets. Yorkshire Water is responsible for sewerage across Sheffield and CSOs are among the water company activities regulated by the Environment Agency.

The City Council does not have any direct statutory involvement in these processes, but as Lead Local Flood Authority we will continue to engage and collaborate in the updated Water Resource Management Plans and in the new requirement (under the Environment Act) for Drainage and Sewerage Management Plans to be produced

Q.2 Will the Council write to the Government and Sheffield MPs to condemn this in the strongest possible terms?

A.2 I am pleased that this issue has now moved on with the Environment Act 2021 being passed into law on 9th November 2021, after particularly vigorous work in Parliament by Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle, amongst others.

Questions of Councillor Christine Gilligan to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

Q.1 I am getting a lot of queries in my Ward about enforcement of parking restrictions. Can I have data on how many parking tickets have been issued in the Hillsborough Ward this year and if the regularity of patrols has increased or declined?

A.1 Patrols have increased since April 2021, where COVID-19 working restrictions had meant fewer staff patrolling Hillsborough. Patrols are back to their pre covid levels. However, the number and frequency of patrols can still occasionally be affected by the number of staff impacted by contracting COVID-19 or isolating due to being a close contact. Numbers of PCN's issued are **859**.

Q.2 What is the regularity of patrols in this area and what are the determining factors?

A.2 Parking services do aim to patrol Hillsborough six times a week in line with the days and times the controlled parking zones are active and we currently respond to any complaints seven days a week. Since 28th July up until 20th October we have patrolled on 50 occasions mainly focusing around the Controlled Zone at Hillsborough Centre, Pay & Display and permit restrictions. This also includes football matches at Sheffield Wednesday Football Club and any requests made by the public.

Q.3 Is parking enforcement a revenue neutral activity for the city, does it generate income or does it cost the city money?

A.3 Parking enforcement has gone through significant changes to improve productivity and IT, however in general there is a small cost to providing parking enforcement.

Questions of Councillor Dawn Dale to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

Q.1 Regarding the commitment made by you, accepting the invitation to push Mr Luxon in his wheelchair up from Arundel Gate to the Town Hall, can you please confirm that you will respond to Mrs Luxon, as (on 9th November), you have still not responded to the email sent on 10th October?

A.1 I have responded. Note that Mrs Luxon's request was to every member of the Council, so I guess that means the other 83 responses are outstanding.

Q.2 Will you confirm again your intention to accept Mrs Luxon's invitation and provide a date for when this will take place? Following this, will you provide

details of your experience to the public?

A.2 Yes.

**Questions of Councillor Mark Jones to Councillor Douglas Johnson
(Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and
Transport)**

I have received the following email from a constituent –

“I live in Burngreave (Nottingham Street) and am writing because I remain concerned about the lack of access to the city centre.

I’m a permanent wheelchair user - I can’t walk at all, I’ve had both legs amputated. I also live by myself, have no family and no access to a car. I am therefore reliant on public transport, notably the buses, which go on my road. I used to be able to get a bus into town and get off on Leopold Street - I could then access everywhere I needed to in town.

You may not be aware, but the highest point in town is outside the front of the Town Hall - it is downhill to everywhere else in town from this point. Therefore, for those of us with mobility difficulties (this includes older people, people with shopping trolleys or prams or buggies, and disabled people too) and there are a significant number of such people, it is vital that we are able to access this highest point so that we can then get to all the other places in the centre. Currently of course we are not able to do this.

I actually go swimming regularly at [in the city centre near the Town Hall], and the only way I can get there is to get off the bus at the top of the Moor and then wheel uphill, firstly on Union Street (and I go in the middle of the road because the camber and surfaces of the pavements are dangerous for me) and then I have to go over cobblestones at the back of the Peace Gardens - this is also dangerous and I’ve actually come out of my chair on cobblestones previously. Sometimes I am simply unable to do this journey at all. And also, unfortunately, other people rarely offer to help me as I’m struggling up the hills.

So, I write to ask for your support within the Council in reinstating the buses along Leopold Street and Pinstone Street. Please don’t get me wrong, I am all for green issues and cycling, however for some of us we are unable to cycle and my only option is to use the buses. I don’t know what I will do without such access, I won’t be able to go shopping or swimming as I used to”.

So, will you please:-

Q.1 Advise the best alternative route for my constituent?

- A.1 The issue around buses getting to Pinstone Street has now been discussed numerous times, including in Scrutiny Committee and the Executive. Whenever any bus route is changed, people are affected, some who benefit and some who don't and have to rearrange their journeys.

There are many issues limiting the mobility of disabled people in the city centre, some of which will be improved by the Connecting Sheffield proposals.

In relation to alternative routes, there are a number of options, including the 95 which stops on Arundel Gate (AG11). From the bus stop, there is a lift in the Millennium Galleries to avoid the slope up to Surrey St. Alternatively, there is travel to a further stop and going on the relatively gentle rise along Union St or the newly pedestrianised Pinstone Street.

Another option is for the constituent to use Sheffield Community Transport. This is a service to get those with the highest level of mobility impairment and given by the evidence in the letter, they would certainly qualify. This would be a door to door service.

- Q.2 Clarify what advice you would give this constituent should you be acting as a lawyer representing a client against the Council?**

- A.2 That would depend entirely on what the client wanted and the terms of service offered and would be confidential to the client.

Questions of Councillor Lewis Chinchon to Councillor Douglas Johnson (Executive Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport)

- Q.1 How many vehicles is it estimated will be affected by the new Clean Air Zone (CAZ) when it is implemented?**

- A.1 The Clean Air Zone is the whole of the Sheffield and Rotherham. I will have to write to you with the answer once I receive it from officers.

- Q.2 Does the Council intend to make support available, in addition to that already awarded by the Government, to assist businesses, taxi drivers and others in transitioning to cleaner vehicles?**

- A.2 Sheffield City Council has secured over £20m for finance support packages to support drivers of older, more polluting vehicles to upgrade. In our consultation on the Clean Air Zone, which will launch on Monday 22nd November, we will provide further details of the support that will be available to the different vehicles covered by our Class C CAZ if they don't meet the minimum Euro 6 Diesel or Euro 4

Petrol standard required. There is also approximately £7.8m of “stretch” funding available from Government for financial support. We hope that the uptake of the support packages will be high and the full funding available from Government will be used to improve the fleet of vehicles across Sheffield. It is not intended that the Council will draw on other general funding to support these businesses.

Q.3 Does the Council have plans to extend the CAZ to drivers of private cars?

A.3 No.

Questions of Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed to Councillor George Lindars-Hammond (Executive Member for Health and Social Care) (to be answered by Councillor Alison Teal (Executive Member for Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Wellbeing Parks and Leisure))

Q.1 Before the pandemic, how many activities and sessions were taking place in our local leisure centres to support people such as heart attack and stroke victims? Please list the sessions, where they were taking place and how often they were taking place?

A.1

Q.2 How many of these are still taking place?

A.2

Q.3 When are any others likely to be reinstated?

A.3