

Council meeting – 31 January 2024

Questions for Executive Members and Others under Procedural Rule 23 (Agenda Item 6)

1. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: Is there a policy in place to encourage owners of cafes who provide a takeaway service to use refillable cups?

Received: 23/01/2024 @ 12:31

2. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: Is there a plan to introduce bigger bins in parks and review frequency of emptying?

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3. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: Are the Council refreshing the park strategy placing particular emphasis on the safety of women/girls in parks?

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4. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: Leaf fall is a big problem. Can the policy of cleaning side road once every 3/4 years be reviewed?

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5. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: Can you confirm the funding available for street cleaning?

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6. Question from Councillor Hilal to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

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Question: When is the Biffa contract due for renewal? Can we change contract in the middle?

Received: 23/01/2024 @ 12:31

7. Question from Councillor Nunney to the Executive Member for Housing and Development

What measures have been taken to include as many local residents as possible in the consultation on the Wythenshawe Culture Hub which closes in four days?

Received: 26/01/2024 @14:44

8. Question from Councillor Nunney to the Leader of the Council

Manchester City Council is the joint largest shareholder with 35.5% of Manchester Airport Group. As Council Leader, is Cllr Craig willing to use her position to ask the airport to stop its continuing incoming cargoes of endangered live macaque monkeys destined for UK vivisection laboratories?

Over 2,000 live macaques were brought into the UK via Manchester Airport last year, making our regional airport the major UK gateway for live primates used in animal testing laboratories

Received: 26/01/2024 @14:44

9. Question from Councillor Northwood to the Executive Member for Finance and Resources

Question: How many Windows servers running OS versions predating Windows Server 2016 are running on the Manchester City Council digital estate?

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 19:24

10. Question from Councillor Leech to the Executive Member for Vibrant Neighbourhoods

Question: What proportion of Manchester's roads have been inspected since the end of the leaf clearance programme, and what proportion of those roads were found to require additional action?

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 19:43

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11. Question from Councillor Leech to the Executive Member for Environment and Transport

Question: What assessment has the Executive Member made of the carbon emission impact of the 32 ward Climate Change action plans?

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 19:43

12. Question from Councillor Leech to the Leader of the Council

Question: The "exploratory partnership" with Fujitsu that was signed by the Leader of the Council and Mayor Burnham in Japan, was described by the Mayor as a "massive boost" for the region's investment zone. Could this "massive boost" be achieved without public money being handed over to Fujitsu?

Can the Leader foresee a scenario where the outcome of the Post Office Horizon inquiry would result in the Council rejecting any such deal with Fujitsu?

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 19:43

13. Question from Councillor Shilton Godwin to the Executive Member for Skills, Employment and Leisure

Question: This week you and the Leader attended the launch of Manchester, European Capital of Cycling. Manchester is the first city to win this award. Please could you tell me how the city will use this award to create a step change in the number of people who use a bike to get around the city ?

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 19:57

14. Question from Councillor Wheeler to the Executive Member for Finance and Resources

Question: Manchester City Council is proudly a Real Living Wage Employer. To retain this accreditation the Council will have to pay all directly employed staff a minimum of £12 an hour from May 1st. Will the Council be doing so?"

Received: 28/01/2024 @ 23:34

15. Question from Councillor Good to the Executive Member for Environment and Transport

Question: What is the council doing to make crossing Great Ancoats Street, and Pin Mill Brow, safer?

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16. Question from Councillor Good to the Executive Member for Environment and Transport

Question: What is the council's policy on the minimum width of parking bays?

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17. Question from Councillor Good to the Executive Member for Healthy Manchester and Adult Social Care

Question: What is the council doing to improve access to GP and dentist services in Ancoats and Beswick?

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18. Question from Councillor Johnson to the Executive Member for Finance and Resources

The community renter's union Acorn and other organisations have worked with the council to arrange a feasibility study to stop using enforcement agents to collect council tax - which comes with a fee. Their argument is that it is 'false economy' and that the 'human cost' of using bailiffs cannot be quantified. They have called on our local authority to stop using bailiffs, apologise to residents who have been visited by bailiffs and find more 'humane' ways of collecting debt.

Can we please get an update on the feasibility study?

Received: 29/01/2024 @ 10:00

19. Question from Councillor Johnson to the Leader of the Council

Question: Will the Leader of the Council re-issue our call to the UK Government to work on international efforts for a long term ceasefire and an urgent and vigorous international effort to bring about the creation of a Palestinian state, allowing Israel and Palestine to exist safely within their own borders?

Received: 29/01/2024 @ 10:00
