

Questions Submitted for Council – 26 January 2022

Question 1 - Submitted by Councillor Evans

“Could the Executive Member for Environmental and Regulatory Services, as our representative on the Clean Air Committee, advise the Council how much it is costing to change the signage across Greater Manchester to read ‘Under Revue’ on the 1,309 CAZ signs installed across the city-region, including Trafford, so far?”

Question 2 - Submitted by Councillor Evans

“The December 2021, January 2022 and February 2022 GMCA Corporate Issues & Reform Scrutiny Committee meetings were due to consider budgets under Andy Burnham’s and GMCA’s control. Budgets for the people of Greater Manchester worth hundreds of millions of pounds. The GMCA Budget this year is around £246Million, the GM Mayoral Budget over £127Million, the transport budget hundreds of millions more and Andy Burnham’s precept charge was to be part of the discussion tabled.

- The meetings were cancelled, largely due to a lack of attendance from Labour members.
- The Liberal Democrat committee chair exempted the budgets from call in despite a commitment to the contrary.
- The budgets passed without a single question in formal scrutiny.

Does the Leader of the Council think it is acceptable that a multi-million-pound budget affecting every Trafford resident is passed with no regard to the right of councillors to challenge and oversee the authority’s finances?”

Question 3 - Submitted by Councillor Boyes

“It is well known that despite spending a considerable sum on upgrading the junction of Park Road, Timperley with the main A56, Chester Road, the traffic flow south bound has become even worse with tail backs at the busiest times, even post Covid, often exceeding a mile long.

This is not only frustrating to commuters and local residents but is also producing unnecessary increases in pollution levels.

Can Members have a definitive answer to the question often asked by residents, ‘Is it actually possible, even if it means using compulsory purchase powers, to acquire some of the frontages of the shops, to facilitate a left turn filter lane from the A56 into Park Road and thus once and for all resolve what is such a headache for Trafford residents?’

Question 4 - Submitted by Councillor Morgan

“In the 2017/18 financial year, the last year Trafford was under a Conservative administration, Trafford MBC was 16th in the National Recycling League tables according to letsrecycle.com. Could the Executive Member for Environmental and Regulatory Services please give the latest publicly available position in the league?”

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Question 5 - Submitted by Councillor Holden

“In a recent press release celebrating the Secondary Schools Offer Day, the Council confirmed the offering of one of their three preferences to 91% of Trafford children.

Could the Lead Member for Education tell us how many of these young people were offered a place at their first preference school?”

Question 6 - Submitted by Councillor Miss Blackburn

“Would the Executive Member inform me why money is being spent on white road markings being repainted whilst there are hundreds of pot holes that require filling?”