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QUESTIONS FOR

COUNCIL

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3. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

This is an opportunity for Members of Council to ask the Mayor, Members of the Executive or the Chairs of any Committee or Sub-Committee a question on notice under Procedure Rule 10.2.

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Question 1 - Submitted by Councillor Zhi

"Can the Executive Member for Environmental Services please provide me with an update on the current position with recruitment and temporary backfilling of roles for the bin crews?"

Question 2 - Submitted by Councillor Zhi

"The government has delivered over £37 billion in a package of support, including £1,200 for the lowest-income families to support families in the UK with the cost of living this year.

Can the Executive Member for Finance and Governance outline what further plans the Council has to support Trafford residents with the cost of living?"

Question 3 - Submitted by Councillor Frass

"In February this year, Trafford Council provided a reply to a Freedom of Information Request about the number of Hikvision CCTV units in Trafford. Page 13 of the report attached to that reply lists more than 90 Hikvision units in use across the Borough.

Hikvision was blacklisted by the US Government in 2019 over concerns about their role in human rights violations, targeting Uighurs in Xinjiang Province of China. The House of Commons has since said the human rights violation in Xinjiang amount to genocide.

Hikvision have Chinese Communist Party government tenders to establish facial recognition cameras at the entrances of mosques and to install surveillance systems in re-education camps where Uighurs are detained.

As a result, a report from the Foreign Affairs Select Committee last year, recommended the Government forbids Hikvision equipment from operating in the United Kingdom.

Can the Executive tell us whether any Hikvision units were installed in Trafford after this report was issued and what plans are in place to remove any Council-owned units of Hikvision equipment?"

Question 4 - Submitted by Councillor Coggins

"Can the meeting have an update on the council's plans for a Citizens' Assembly on the climate crisis?"

Question 5 - Submitted by Councillor Miss Blackburn

"Will the Executive Member let me know how much Section 106 monies has been used over the last 2 years to provide disabled appropriate equipment in our Borough's parks?" This page is intentionally left blank