

## **Questions submitted for written response**

### **Question 1 from Cllr Mahym Bedekova to Cllr George Savva, Cabinet Member for Licensing and Regulatory Services**

The selective licensing scheme for the Private Rented Sector has recently been approved by the Secretary of State and will come into force on 1st September 2021. What does this mean to the Landlords, Tenants, and the Borough as a whole.

### **Question 2 from Cllr Joanne Laban to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Would Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council explain why she believed Cllr Guney Dogan had the skills to continue being Cabinet Member for Environment and Sustainability on 19th May but less than a month later he needed to be moved to the Commercial portfolio?

### **Question 3 from Cllr. Dinah Barry to Cllr. Gina Needs, Cabinet Member for social housing**

How many households with a high health and wellbeing assessment resulting in them having the highest level of priority are currently on the housing register?

### **Question 4 from Cllr Tim Leaver to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader**

How is the Council's 3,500 home development programme progressing?

### **Question 5 from Cllr Joanne Laban to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Will Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council listen to Sadiq Khan the Mayor of London and drop proposals to de-declassify large parts of the Green Belt contained within the Draft Local Plan?

### **Question 6 from Cllr Anne Brown to Cllr Guney Dogan, Cabinet Member for Commercial Services.**

Please outline your vision for this new portfolio and tell the council what your top three priorities are and what action you have already taken to promote them.

### **Question 7 from Cllr Doug Taylor to Cllr Mary Maguire, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement**

Would the Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement provide a progress report on the support given to businesses in Enfield to aid recovery from Covid restrictions?

**Question 8 from Cllr Joanne Laban to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Does Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council agree and support the Mayor's London Plan?

**Question 9 from Cllr Dinah Barry to Cllr Ian Barnes, Deputy Leader**

As part of the transformative Cycle Enfield project, traffic lights were installed at the very wide junction of the A105 with the access road to Sainsbury's in Winchmore Hill. This was intended to make it easier and safer for pedestrians to cross but there was no pedestrian phase and the traffic lights controlling motor vehicles and cycles are not visible to anyone on foot. It was therefore agreed under the previous Administration, as part of a review, to reconsider the junction to make it safer for pedestrians.

However, despite promises over the last three years to residents and to me as ward councillor, no action under the current Administration has yet been taken.

Can the Deputy Leader therefore please explain how this failure to act helps promote his active travel agenda?

**Question 10 from Cllr Christine Hamilton to Cllr Mary Maguire, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement**

Would the Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement comment on reports that "serious and pervasive problems" due to a shortage of skilled personnel amongst PSAA external auditors will lead to further delays to audit sign-off for many councils?

**Question 11 from Cllr Joanne Laban to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Would Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council confirm whether she agreed to the questions contained within the Draft Local Plan consultation survey?

**Question 12 From Cllr. Derek Levy to Cllr. Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment**

Since the current Labour administration seized power from the previous Labour Administration in May 2018, it has presided over a woefully consistent fall in recycling rates, with Enfield now ranked as one of the lowest of all the London Boroughs, averaging below 35%. Against this backdrop, the administration has, within a Climate Change Action Plan which is high in aspiration yet sparse in detail, set a recycling rate of 65%-75% by the mid -2030's.

Given there is nothing by way of a relevant or sustainable roadmap, strategy, or detail (even in outline form) within that Action Plan, and given the track record of this administration personified by the abject failure of his predecessor, in what way is the Cabinet Member able to demonstrate he has the skills and expertise to reverse the

trend and move from the 30% range to achieving a rate of 75%, when no other London Borough has managed to breach 65% and certainly not come remotely close to delivering at 75%?

**Question 13 from Cllr Mahmut Aksanoglu to Cllr Ian Barnes, Deputy Leader**

Now that the consultations on the hugely successful first tranche of School Streets have closed, could the Deputy Leader let us know the timeline going forward with regards to these schools having more permanent, perhaps camera controlled schemes?

**Question 14 from Cllr Joanne Laban to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Does Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council agree that the questions included in the Draft Local Plan Consultation Survey, such as asking people's views on the borough's 'spatial portrait', are not inclusive, full of jargon and should never have been signed off?

**Question 15 from Cllr Ayfer Orhan to Cllr Uddin - Cabinet Member for Children's Services**

In the light of national concerns about the disproportionate numbers of young people from black and ethnic minorities in remand centres, can the cabinet member for Children's Services update the Council on the percentage of children and young people from Enfield that are currently held in remand centres or are in prison from black and ethnic minorities and provide the council with figures since 2018?

**Question 16 from Cllr Chinelo Anyanwu to Cllr Ian Barnes, Deputy Leader**

Electric vehicle charging points are appearing in lampposts around the borough. Could the Deputy Leader give an update on the roll out of the trial?

**Question 17 from Cllr Lee David-Sanders to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Would Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council set out in detail what she plans to do to improve the assurance level of the Meridian Water Procurement Strategy as it was given a very poor limited assurance level in a recent internal audit which highlighted problems with oversight, which is extremely concerning given the high value of the contracts being awarded?

**Question 18 from Cllr Gunawardena to Cllr Caliskan Leader of the Council**

The Enfield Local Housing Needs Assessment (2020) states "The projections suggest that 60% of new households will need homes with 3 or more bedrooms". This is to address the acute local housing crisis in Enfield.

Please will the Leader confirm the percentage of 3+ bed homes that will be built in Meridian Water phases 1A, 1B and 2?

**Question 19 from Cllr Margaret Greer to Cllr Ian Barnes, Deputy Leader**

As Low Traffic Neighbourhoods are a central plank of the Conservative government's climate policy to reduce emissions on our roads, does the Deputy Leader know if further funds will be made available by the Conservative government for LTNs across the borough?

**Question 20 from Cllr Lee David-Sanders to Cllr Guney Dogan, Cabinet Member for Commercial Services**

Would Cllr Dogan, Cabinet Member for Commercial Services set out his priorities in his new role and what outcomes can we expect to see in the next six months?

**Question 21 from Cllr Ayfer Orhan to Cllr Uddin - Cabinet Member for Children's services**

Councillors must and should understand the importance of ensuring that the histories, lives and experiences of all people are considered in decisions.

Therefore, can the cabinet member tell this Council how he and his predecessor have been able to do that in the area of the schools curriculum since 2019 and following the sad death of George Perry Floyd Jr.?

**Question 22 from Cllr Tolga Aramaz to Cllr Ian Barnes, Deputy Leader**

A local newspaper recently ran a story about the reintroduction of the beaver back into Enfield. Could the Deputy Leader give us any further details of this exciting prospect at this time?

**Question 23 from Cllr Glynis Vince to Cllr Mahtab Uddin, Cabinet Member for Children's Services**

Would Cllr Uddin, Cabinet Member for Children's Services inform the Council how he intends to communicate and engage with the Young People of the Borough, this would include School Councils, LAC and the Youth of the Borough?

**Question 24 from Cllr Ayfer Orhan to Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

Please tell this council if the Leader has instructed officers to carry out a heritage review of all landmarks, historical sites and statues in Enfield following the death of George Perry Floyd Jr. and the calls from the successful campaign of the Black Lives Matters movement here in Enfield and across other parts of the country and what outcome has come of that review?

**Question 25 from Cllr Ayten Guzel to Cllr Alev Cazimoglu, Health and Social Care**

What are we doing to tackle food poverty?

**Question 26 from Cllr Maria Alexandrou to Cllr Ergin Erbil, Non Geographical Associate Cabinet Member**

At the full council meeting on 2.3.21 Cllr Ergin Erbil answered a question (no23) about LTNs and life expectancy, claiming Low Traffic Neighbourhoods can be viewed as a public health intervention. Would he clarify how this comment fits in with the increasing pollution levels outside Bowes Primary School on the North Circular Road since the implementation of the Bowes LTNs?

**Question 27 from Cllr. Barry to Cllr. Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment**

It has become clear during lockdown that fortnightly collections are not adequate when people have to work from home. Like Enfield Council, most employers are now moving to mixed working with employees working from home for part of the week.

What steps are you taking to provide sufficient waste collection for the additional domestic waste that residents will now generate?

**Question 28 from Cllr Susan Erbil to Cllr Alev Cazimoglu, Health and Social Care**

What are we doing to support improved access to primary care?

**Question 29 from Cllr Maria Alexandrou to Cllr Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment**

Will Cllr Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment inform council what progress has been made with regard to putting a skate park in Broomfield Park as campaigned for by a local young resident, which will help tackle obesity, improve fitness and reduce crime?

**Question 30 from Cllr Daniel Anderson to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

London's Green Belt prevents urban sprawl, driving the reuse and intensification of previously developed land. Prioritising development on brownfield land is a key part of the approach. Not my words but those of the Labour Mayor of London Sadiq Khan.

That being so, can the Leader of the Council please explain the logic in proceeding with a draft local plan consultation that proposes over 6,000 homes in the Green Belt by 2039 - which is 1,000 more homes than on Meridian Water a designated brownfield site, when the Mayor has already objected given, it is contrary to of his London Plan?

**Question 31 from Cllr Katherine Chibah to Cllr George Savva, Cabinet Member for Licensing and Regulatory Services**

How are the COVID-19 Enfield Marshalls coping to keep Enfield Residents Safe?

**Question 32 from Cllr Edward Smith to Cllr Gina Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing**

Would Cllr Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing provide a statement of intent on the Council's position regarding the repeat requests by the Alma Residents' Association to run the new community centre at Welcome Point and provide them with the necessary funding and support?

**Question 33 from Cllr Ayfer Orhan to Cllr Caliskan, Leader of the Council**

The proposed larger Incinerator will service seven North London Boroughs, with waste travelling by road from across the seven boroughs to Edmonton, to be burned day and night.

For 50 years it's been releasing toxic fumes into the air breathed in by children and residents of Edmonton. Now Enfield Council is supporting the building of a bigger incinerator and the toxic fumes will be intensified locally and travel further across Enfield.

Can the Leader tell this Council if she is now ready to listen to the campaign mounted by residents calling for the expansion to be paused and to allow an independent review to take place and with full consultation with residents?

**Question 34 from Cllr Kate Anolue to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader**

In November 2020 the grant agreement for the Housing Infrastructure Fund was signed. Can the Leader of the Council please outline what progress the Council has made in delivering infrastructure works at Meridian Water to enable future phases, and how have local businesses benefited from this?

**Question 35 from Cllr Edward Smith to Cllr Gina Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing**

Would Cllr Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing provide details of the current complement of the new Repairs Service detailing the number of permanent staff and agency staff and her plans for the ultimate size and shape of the service?

**Question 36 from Cllr Birsan Demirel, to Cllr Nesil Caliskan, Leader**

The Government launched a Levelling Up Fund in the March spending review, and classified Enfield as a 'Tier 2' authority for support. Can the leader of the Council

explain what this means and how the Council has applied to this infrastructure fund to support Enfield's town centres and culture?

**Question 37 from Cllr Chris Dey to Cllr Alev Cazimoglu, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care**

Will Cllr Cazimoglu, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care state the percentage of care home residents and staff who have been double vaccinated? Please provide a separate percentage for each cohort.

**Question 38 from Cllr Mahmut Aksanoglu, to Cllr Nneka Keazor, Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion**

Can the Cabinet Member for Community Safety & Cohesion confirm what actions that the Council is taking to tackle and prevent increased anti-social behaviour which has gone up since the pandemic?

**Question 39 from Cllr Chris Dey to Cllr Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment**

Will Cllr Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment ensure that a solution is found to the amount of litter in Enfield Town Park, Library Green and the surrounding residential streets? The litter bins are often overflowing especially at weekends which causes litter to be left by the bins. This litter is then blown around in the wind or disrupted by animals and causes the areas mentioned to look unsightly and uncared for. Will the Cabinet Member outline what action they will take to permanently resolve this matter?

**Question 41 from Cllr Lindsay Rawlings to Cllr Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment**

Would Cllr Rick Jewell, Cabinet Member for Environment set out in detail how he plans to tackle the huge levels of fly-tipping that blight our streets?

**Question 42 from Cllr Claire Stewart to Cllr Nneka Keazor, Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion**

Can the Cabinet Member for Community Safety & Cohesion confirm how the council has supported the commemoration of the Windrush Day and Armed Forces Day in Enfield?

**Question 43 from Cllr Dinah Barry to Cllr Gina Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing.**

What is the longest time that any households with a high health and wellbeing assessment resulting in them having the highest level of priority has been waiting on the housing register?