

COUNCIL MEETING – 22 NOVEMBER 2022

QUESTIONS FROM ELECTORS UNDER PROCEDURE RULE 9

1. From Mr Steven Gillingwater to Councillor Smith

“Would the Conservative Leader agree with me that Slough is facing a cost of living crisis but we are also facing the cost of Labour crisis - is it right for vulnerable people in our town to be used as scapegoats by the Labour Party or are there alternatives for those struggling?”

2. From Mr Gurcharan Singh Manku to Councillor Anderson

“We all know that due to financial mismanagement and other adventurous investments SBC has a mountain of debt, all assets are being sold and most are at a loss. My question is, what other avenues are being explored to pay this debt without reducing essential public services?”

3. From Mr Hardeep Singh Jandu to Councillor Anderson

“What challenging decisions will be taken to find an additional £6 million in savings next year from the council?”

4. From Mr Iftakhar Ahmed to Councillor Swindlehurst

“Can Cllr Swindlehurst let me know how much has the labour councillors claimed in allowances and paid by Slough Borough Council since January 2018 till now?”

5. From Ms Siobhan Dauti to Councillor Swindlehurst

“For the last few years, due to the shutdown of Priors Close, the Phoenix centre, and Elliman Avenue day centres for adults with physical and learning disabilities, people in our borough have been forced to source daily activities for themselves or their family members through various charities and organisations throughout Slough. Council funding has been withdrawn for a lot of the most the vulnerable people in our town, leaving parents, some of whom are in their 80s, to find, fund and transport their children to various activities. This is just a list for people with learning disabilities, not elderly, children and families etc. Since you have withdrawn lots of funding, and are now planning on cutting funding to CVS to bring it 'in house', how do you intend to manage a whole array of services, with a multitude of volunteers (if they stay as volunteers given the mistrust local people have of this Council) with one social work manager at the helm?”

6. From Mr Neel Rana to Councillor Pantelic

“Why were the voluntary and community sector services paused as to now the need arisen to re-commission these services and what are the service provisions being replaced?”