

County Council

Wednesday 18 July 2018

10.00 am Council Chamber - Shire Hall, Taunton



Annex B

Elected Member Questions (to be taken as part of Agenda item 9)

EMQ 6

Single Use Plastics

From Cllr John Clarke

Following the successful motion passed by full council with support of all parties can you provide an update as to the progress in identifying the actions needed to, wherever possible and at the earliest opportunity, ceasing the sale and use of single use plastics in council properties and facilities.

Response from Cllr David Fothergill, Leader of the Council

EMQ 7

Public Transport From Cllr Amanda Broom

Having recently spent a few days in Devon, in a town similar in size & population to Chard; I was thrilled to discover that we could park our car up on arrival and be completely reliant on public transport – trains & buses.

Can the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport please explain the reasons why Devon has a full and thriving rail network which consists of 42 stations; and Somerset, with a slightly smaller population & size – only has 15?

Response from Cllr John Woodman, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

EMQ 8

Reference Various highways works bordering Bridgwater South, North Petherton and Bridgwater North and Central.

From Cllr L Redman

More than 2 years ago following work by a number of our partners, plans were submitted for a link path between Stockmoor village and Wills Road in Bridgwater, funding was secured from a number of sources including both Town councils (North Petherton & Bridgwater), SCC and CIM, despite numerous meetings and requests the work almost started a few weeks ago, I am aware that there may be a problem with capacity within the Highways team, however an onsite date would be better than what we currently have.

Similarly the cycle path planned for Cranleigh gardens Bridgwater?

And the traffic calming and safety works for Rhode lane end of Wills road?

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Can the Cabinet Member please advise when the residents may see these safety related projects finished?

Response from Cllr John Woodman, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport