

**Agenda Item 9: Questions to a Member of Executive Board, Chair of a Committee or Chair of any other City Council Body**

**CQ1**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Kevin Clarke of the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Transport and Parks at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Can the Portfolio Holder address why, despite this being the hottest summer on record, the residents of our City had no paddling pool on Victoria Embankment to take their children to?

**CQ2**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Maria Watson of the Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods, Safety and Inclusion at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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We asked the question at the March Full Council meeting why this Council was intending to charge residents of the City to park outside their own homes. We ask again why should residents pay for this Council's financing mistakes?

**CQ3**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Kevin Clarke of the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Regeneration and Communications at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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As the Council claims it supports community activity, does it consider that increasing the rent of the Place Community Centre in Sherwood by 120,000% will achieve this?

**CQ4**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Maria Watson of the Portfolio Holder for Finance at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Can the Portfolio Holder confirm whether the £40m misspent ring-fenced money has now been paid back in full?

**CQ5**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Kirsty Jones of the Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Culture and Planning at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Does the Portfolio Holder agree with me that it is very sad that the annual firework and bonfire display has been cancelled? In a time when many are struggling, this public event, that has been a wonderful free event for families to attend and enjoy in the past, will now not be going ahead this year.

**CQ6**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Nick Raine of the Portfolio Holder for Housing and HR at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Does the Portfolio Holder agree with me that the local government pay offer should be both fully funded by central government and adequate to the scale of financial crisis hitting the household budgets of our hardworking keyworkers - and that no one should work all week serving our city to go home to empty cupboards?

**CQ7**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Graham Chapman of the Leader of the Council at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Would the Leader of the Council comment on the prospect of further net reductions in local government funding as a result of the ex-Prime Minister's botched budget?

**CQ8**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Sam Webster of the Portfolio Holder for Finance at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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The Conservative Chair of the Local Government Association said in a letter to the Chancellor that without additional funding there is "a serious threat to the ability of Council services to function at even the most rudimentary level". Can the Portfolio Holder explain how the huge inflationary pressures might affect basic Council services in Nottingham if new money isn't forthcoming?

**CQ9**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Andrew Rule of the Leader of the Council at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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The Improvement and Assurance Board has repeatedly highlighted the Council's failure to 'move at pace' and address their concerns as a 'matter of urgency' – does the Leader of the Council agree that one way this could be improved is if decision making by the political hierarchy could be streamlined, by increasing limits to the Scheme of Delegation allowing officers to take minutia away from the political leadership and speed up the decision making, as has been done in other Core Cities?

**CQ10**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Andrew Rule of the Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022**

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Following the recent inadequate inspection finding by Ofsted, can the Portfolio Holder outline how she plans to lead improvement within the service to ensure the Council improves to a Good, if not Outstanding, rating at its next inspection, which I am sure is her aspiration for the service?

**Questions from Councillors requiring a written response**

**WQ1**

**Question to be asked by Councillor Andrew Rule of the Portfolio Holder for Housing and HR at the meeting of the City Council to be held on 31 October 2022 requesting a written response**

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Could the Portfolio Holder provide a breakdown by service line of the current number of advertised vacancies in the Council, split out by grade of staff?