



Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

**QUESTIONS FOR THE CABINET OR CHAIR
UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 17.**

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 13 OCTOBER 2020

QUESTION NO 1

FROM: COUNCILLOR DONNA JONES

**TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR TRAFFIC &
TRANSPORTATION
COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG**

Many buses travel across the city empty, especially early in the morning since the COVID 19 pandemic. Will the cabinet member consider ways to enable pensioners to use their bus passes before 9:30am to maximise the use of buses and accessibility for older people in Portsmouth?

QUESTION NO 2

FROM: COUNCILLOR LEO MADDEN

**TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON CBE**

Does the Leader agree that, given that the two LA-run energy companies viz., Robin Hood Energy and Bristol Energy, have cost their Councils £MMs and have now been sold on with massive losses to their respective taxpayers, this Council took the right decision in not pursuing the setting-up of Victory Energy Services Limited (VESL) here?

QUESTION NO 3

FROM: COUNCILLOR TOM COLES

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON CBE

Can the Leader of the Council confirm whether any arrangements have been made for Covid-secure Remembrance ceremonies in the city?

QUESTION NO 4

FROM: COUNCILLOR LINDA SYMES

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON CBE

Did the Leader of the Council take account of objections from local residents over parking and other matters when deciding to pursue the Brewery House development scheme?

QUESTION NO 5

FROM: COUNCILLOR CAL CORKERY

TO REPLY: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR GERALD VERNON-JACKSON CBE

Can the Leader of the Council detail the governance and management arrangements for the council owned property development company (Ravelin Property Limited)?

QUESTION NO 6

FROM: COUNCILLOR GRAHAM HEANEY

**TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND
EDUCATION
COUNCILLOR SUZY HORTON**

In April 2019 the Cabinet Member for Education expressed support for the introduction of School Streets involving restrictions on traffic in roads around schools. In The News on 3rd April 2019 they were quoted saying "This is something I am really keen for us to trial. Schools I would like to be involved include Fernhurst Junior and Wimborne Junior School".

In February 2020 the Cabinet approved a report on the citywide rollout of Play Out Portsmouth which said, "Once Play Out Pompey is established and gaining momentum, the aim is to branch out into School Street closures".

What has caused the delays in trialling School Streets and will this affect any bid for funding these in the future?

QUESTION NO 7

FROM: COUNCILLOR LUKE STUBBS

**TO REPLY: TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION
COUNCILLOR LYNNE STAGG**

How much parking income was generated this summer (June-September) from the seafront and how does this compare to last year?

QUESTION NO 8

FROM: COUNCILLOR CAL CORKERY

**TO REPLY: CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING AND
PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS
COUNCILLOR DARREN SANDERS**

Can the Cabinet Member for Housing confirm how long each of the 8 council houses sold off at auction in July 2020 were empty for prior to sale?