

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

The following questions have been received from Councillors and will be taken as read along with the written answer which will be included in an addendum that will be circulated at the meeting:

(a) Councillor Littman

“Whilst Chair of the Economic Development and Culture Committee; you said, in your Chair’s Communications at the meeting on 18th June 2015:

“A petition with over 5,300 signatures by Our Brighton Hippodrome is not being presented today. It asks the council to support plans for theatre restoration and to use all available powers and its best endeavours to facilitate such plans. I can confirm that we are now in positive discussions with Academy Music Group, the new owner of the Hippodrome, Hippodrome House and the access yard off Ship Street. We have agreed to join a stakeholders group with Our Brighton Hippodrome, Brighton Hippodrome CIC, The Theatres Trust, Historic England and the Frank Matcham Society. The stakeholder group will work with Academy Music Group to find the best way forward to bring the Hippodrome back to life. The council will assist in that process by sharing relevant information for an independent viability assessment.”

I note that since then, the independent viability assessment has been conducted and an agreement is being drawn up for the “enabling development” part of the project.

In the light of this encouraging news, could Cllr. Morgan please update me on the support we, as a Council, have given, and will be giving in the future, in order to ensure the stakeholder group is able to pursue their development plans and that we ‘bring the Hippodrome back to life’?”

Reply from Councillor Morgan – Leader of the Council**(b) Councillor Knight**

“Can the Chair of the Children, Young People and Skills Committee please confirm how many unaccompanied asylum seeking children the Council plans to take in response to the growing refugee crisis, and confirm whether the Council plans to take additional asylum seeking children beyond the Government target of 0.07% of the total child population?”

Reply from Councillor Bewick – Chair of the Children, Young People & Skills Committee

(c) Councillor Sykes

“At the March 2016 meeting of Environment Transport and Sustainability committee, Cllr Mitchell undertook to provide me with a briefing in response to a Green Group Notice of Motion entitled ‘Being prepared for flooding’, which had been agreed by Full Council in January 2016. Please could this briefing be provided?”

Reply from Councillor Mitchell – Chair of the Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

(d) Councillor C. Theobald

“Will Cllr. Cattell please list the % for Art S. 106 contributions that have been agreed by the Council over the last 12 years, the monetary value of each of those contributions and what they have been spent on?”

Reply from Councillor Cattell – Chair of the Planning Committee