

# Brighton & Hove City Council

## Environment, Transport & Sustainability Committee

## Agenda Item 21(b)

**Subject:** Written Questions

**Date of meeting:** 20 September 2022

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public.

The question will be answered without discussion. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion. The person to whom a question, or supplementary question, has been put may decline to answer it.

The following written questions have been received from members of the public:

**(1) Adrian Hart- Aquarium Roundabout**

Can the Chair clarify that there is no evidence to suggest the Aquarium Roundabout is one of the UKs (or even Brighton's) most dangerous roundabouts or in fact any more dangerous to road users and pedestrians than numerous traffic light junctions?

**(2) Jane Blunden- Refuse**

The residents of Bristol Gate have noticed a deteriorating service over the last few years in terms of sufficiently emptying our communal refuse and recycling bins, so that we often have unhygienic and overflowing bins. What are the Council's plans for reviewing and improving services across the city?

**(3) Shirley Ross- Tree maintenance**

The strip of Council-owned land next to our garden is in urgent need of proper maintenance so it does not form a dense, light-obstructing hedge to our house and garden and allows a safety margin for pedestrians on a narrow, often busy road. A site meeting with Peter Small on 10 May agreed some minimum action points. I am here seeking help because we are making no progress in having these points implemented and I don't understand why emails with simple requests go unanswered when the problems and solutions have been previously agreed.

**(4) William Foster- Speeding on Preston Park Avenue**

I wish to draw your attention to the danger posed by persistent speeding traffic along Preston Park Avenue. This is of special concern as many children, young people, and people with mobility impairments use the park and given its unfenced nature, emerge onto the roadside at almost any point often unseen between parked vehicles. I have witnessed cars travelling in excess

of 50mph, an accident waiting to happen. I wish to call on the committee to action a report into methods to improve public safety and then implement the report's suggestions. Can you please help the safety of our community?