

**FULL COUNCIL – 12 DECEMBER 2022 – QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS
UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A**

First Questions

Question 1

From Cllr Michael Thierry to the Portfolio Holder for Business, Tourism and High Streets, Cllr Michael Harris OBE

Will Councillor Michael Harris OBE, New Forest District Council Portfolio Holder for Business, Tourism and High Streets update the Council on the success of the recent initiatives to encourage greater spending in local high streets?

Can he outline, going forward, what will be the programme to encourage continued local shop support in the coming months?

Question 2

From Cllr Mahmoud Kangarani to the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Regeneration and Infrastructure, Cllr Diane Andrews

Now that the government have been forced to climb down from imposing compulsory housing targets on local authorities, what difference will it make here in the New Forest?

Question 3

From Cllr David Harrison to the Leader of the Council, Cllr Jill Cleary

Britain is one of the most depleted nature countries in the world. What are the Conservatives up to, designating Dibden Bay as a Freeport?

Question 4

From Cllr Jack Davies to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Investment and Corporate Services, Cllr Jeremy Heron

Many people across our district are struggling with the increased cost of living, especially high energy bills. Can the portfolio holder tell me how much of the grant funding for warm banks has been allocated so far and which areas have received that money?

Question 5

From Cllr Stephanie Osborne to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Coastal Services, Cllr Steve Davies

What has the District Council done, or will be doing, to encourage and facilitate residents to reduce their carbon footprint?

Question 6

From Cllr Alex Wade to the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Homelessness Services, Cllr Edward Heron

Can the Portfolio Holder confirm how many residents and families we have registered as Homeless, on the Housing waiting list and in temporary accommodation? Also, can the Portfolio Holder advise on how many of these Families in temporary accommodation have raised concerns about the lack of suitability to their needs?