

ANNUAL COUNCIL 23 MAY 2024

AGENDA ITEM 12 – QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

1. Question from Councillor Lucius Vellacott to Councillor Alison Whelan:

Cambridgeshire County Council currently decides on blanket 20mph zones in East Cambridgeshire in private delegated decision meetings, with very limited public consultation, rather than in a public meeting of the authority. Does Cllr Whelan believe Cambridgeshire County Council should continue with this approach?

2. Question from Councillor Lorna Dupré to Leader of the Council:

Residents in the area I represent have been delighted to hear of the new bus routes and enhanced bus services which will soon be forthcoming as a result of the increase in the Mayor's Precept. Not least of these is the proposal for a bus from Ely through Sutton to the guided busway stop at Longstanton, opening up the prospect for my constituents of onward travel to Cambridge Regional College, the Science Park, Addenbrooke's, St Ives, Huntingdon and Hinchingsbrooke—something I have been championing for a very long time.

This and other enhancements to public transport across East Cambridgeshire, including services from Soham via the Swaffhams to Cambridge and improvements on the B1102 corridor, will open up new opportunities for many residents with no access to a private car, and to those who cannot drive or who want or need to move away from private to public transport. What explanation will the Leader of the Council give for her vote against the funding which is making these improvements possible?