

## QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC TO THE CABINET MEETING ON 8 JULY 2020

### 1. Chloe Ahmed – Fine for Display of Advertising Boards

The media have reported that the City Council has fined the A Canteen for displaying A boards to advise customers of the new rules and to social distance. Whilst it is accepted that the City Council has a policy of clearing pavements of advertising matter, is the Cabinet member not aware that the Government advised councils to relax such rules to allow businesses to operate in the current climate? At a time when it is essential for businesses to survive, will the Administration reconsider the fine so as to avoid the impression that it is anti-business?

### 2. Scott Wilson – Planting of Trees in Creekview Road

In January of this year the City Council planted a 1000 trees <https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/news/south-woodham-ferrers-plants-over-1000-trees-in-a-single-day/> alongside Creekview Road in South Woodham Ferrers 'forming a new woodland for all to enjoy'. Can the Cabinet Member responsible give an update on this project, how many trees have been planted, and how many have 'taken' and are growing, and how and when the project is expected to become the 'new woodland which all can enjoy'?

### 3. Susan Sullivan – Condition of Creekview Green

I have been concerned to see the deplorable condition of Creekview Green in South Woodham Ferrers. This once beautiful space has been ruined– hardly an environmental success.

I would like to know

- How much ratepayers' money was spent on the initial preparation and planting?
- How many trees were planted at Creekview Green?
- How many have died?
- What plans are in place to replant the area or return it to greensward and at what cost?

Also, in view of the Council's stated ambitions for tree planting across Chelmsford, what actions are being taken to ensure this sorry situation does not happen elsewhere?