

Question: PQ08.01

Cabinet – 24th January 2023

Re: Agenda item 8 - Budget report & Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24

Question submitted by: Liv Fortune

Background: I have campaigned on two occasions for Bristol central library to remain in its current location and on both occasions, you have made the decision to keep it where it is, stating that you have found money in the budget to do so. Coming here and putting my head above the parapit has caused me considerable distress and affected my mental health and wellbeing. I imagine over the years there have been other occasions on which the library was under threat too.

Question 1: Consultations and research into possible new locations come at a cost, so will you please pledge today to simply accept and respect the fact that the people of Bristol are not at all open to Bristol central library being relocated from its iconic and well established home and to refrain from threatening to relocate it in future?

Question: PQ08.02 & PQ08.03

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Budget report & Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24

Question submitted by: David Redgewell

Question 1: What is mayor Rees progress is being made to transferred public transport staff and bus infrastructure and Public transport interchanges to the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and mayor Dan Norris as part of this year's budget?

Question 2: What progress Bristol city council and mayor Rees making with the west of England mayoral combined transport Authority and mayor Dan Norris on £54 million pounds allocated to metro west railway as part of city council budget and the Henbury loop line and stations at Ashley Down Filton North and Henbury for cribs causeway?

Question: PQ08.04 & PQ08.05

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Budget report & Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24

Question submitted by: Bristol Disability Equality Forum, Gordon Richardson

Question 1: What progress is being made on new or upgrading public toilets within the city and county of Bristol, especially full accessible toilets and changing places in park shopping centres and Transport interchanges?

Question 2: With the shortages of money from Bristol city council transport levy to the west of England mayoral combined transport, some parts of South Gloucestershire council East Bristol and South Bristol and Banes having only now westlink Demand responsive buses from 1st April 2023. What provision is being for full accessible buses as part of the new services South Bristol and East Bristol for 9 seater 18 seater and 30 seat buses especially on bus service to Southmead hospital and south Bristol hospital?

Question: PQ08.06

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Budget report & Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24

Question submitted by: Merche Clark

Question 1: "Friends of Redland Library are relieved that the planned cuts to the Library Budget have been removed. Over the last year we have seen new fast return books and new furniture in Redland Library. However the removal of newspapers has been a distressing feature for some users. Could the cabinet member confirm that over the next 5 years funds will be available every year for contributing to Bristol Libraries engaging book stock and also to reverse the temporary removal of newspapers?"

Question: PQ08.07 & PQ08.08

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Re: Agenda item 8 - Budget report & Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24

Question submitted by: Lloyd Roberts

Question 1: Is there a freeze on the Bristol Library book acquisition budget and how much did this save; and when will this freeze be reversed?

Question 2: How much was saved by stopping the supply of newspapers and magazines in Bristol's Libraries and when will this decision be reversed?