1. **Question asked by Wendy Clark to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

The council has stated that most of their budget is now allocated to care for the elderly and disabled.

Given that a high number of disabled and elderly are cared for by friends and family, who attend for anything between a few minutes to several days, and that these people relieve the Council of any further financial support, how are the council going to ensure a parking space is available where and when it is needed by these carers?

2. **Question asked by Colin Keene to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

In the official written reply to a question accepted but unable to be heard at the Council meeting on 28 January, Councillor Abellan stated that, at Stage 3 all residents will be provided with a more in-depth design for their street and will have the opportunity to consider formally the revised proposals and either accept or reject them, yet at the Scrutiny Meeting on 6 February he stated that a street-by-street 'referendum' would be out of the question - so what WILL be the precise process at Stage 3 and how will it be communicated to the residents?

3. **Question asked by Charlie Mansell to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

The current Council Parking consultation had led to an interesting public debate over a range of issues including:

- Formal types of consultation that could operate
- Level of publicity for early stages of this process
- Applicability of purdah during single ward by-elections
- Scheduling and length of consultation periods
- Council engagement with residents through more fully utilising its various types of meetings
- Choice of venues the Council uses for meetings
- Utilising Council Meeting amendments to give an update on the current position in a consultation process

As a result of that debate the simple question to pose here is what lessons has the Council learned from its current Parking consultation as to how it engages residents on this issue in future?
4. **Question asked by Dave Triphook to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

I would like clarity and again raise the question of in my opinion, following a ‘junk mail’ parking consultation leaflet drop, via the Post Office, to 43000 households in Sutton ( with a return rate of 12%) why Mr Abellan feels this is a true reflection of a ‘consultation’? Surely this return figure alone is not what was expected and should have raised his concerns as to why the return rate was so low?”

5. **Question asked by Steve Alvarez to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

At the last Scrutiny Committee meeting you advised that 15 company registered N1 van renewal permits were denied within the current CPZ zones since 2016. You also said that you will wait for the results of Stage 2 to see how many residents have raised the issue before rethinking the policy. Did you make any effort at all to find out what negative impact these denials had on those 15 people and if so do you think it acceptable to deny someone their job?

6. **Question asked by Robert Ede to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

This question is in regards to current parking consultations which are in progress throughout the London Borough of Sutton.

During the last Scrutiny Committee meeting, you admitted that the current plans will reduce the number of parking spaces in certain areas. You also said that you are currently doing street surveys road by road.

Who is carrying out these street surveys and why were they not done before you started Stage 2 so you could see whether the agencies plans at Stage 1 were workable or not before you sent the residents the plans?

You could have altered things at Stage 2 yourselves so that we could have our opinion but instead, you will be leaving it until Stage 3 where we will not be allowed to have an opinion at all?
1. **Question asked by Councillor Tim Crowley to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

   Last year the council made a provision of £1.2 million to repay tenants commissions taken by the council in relation to water charges. This money has still not been repaid. Could the council explain why this is still the case and when those affected can expect to be reimbursed?

2. **Question asked by Councillor Tim Foster to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

   It is now nearly 12 months since the last minuted meeting of the CAMC which means that there has been no oversight of activity by Viridor in the implementation of the Conservation Management Scheme and therefore no attempt by the London Borough of Sutton to enforce a clear breach of the terms of the Section 106 Agreement.

   Why have the London Borough of Sutton not enforced these terms and when do they intend to re-establish the CAMC’s operational brief within the terms of its Constitution?

3. **Question asked by Councillor Lily Bande to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

   The borders of the existing Landseer Road Conservation Area is of concern to the local residents in my ward. As you know, the gateway to conservation areas form an integral part of the overall quality of the vicinity. Can the council please put in place a process whereby the existing Landseer Conservation Area can be extended to include properties and carriageway up to the Grove Road railway bridge, to prevent the nature of this residential area being further eroded for future generations?

4. **Question asked by Councillor Tony Shields to Councillor Marian James, Chair of the People Committee**

   Sutton Nightwatch is a brilliant Sutton local charity currently occupying the Secombe Theatre.

   They provide food and mental sustenance for Sutton's homeless and rough sleepers, numbers of service users are growing yet there has been no forward planning to assist them in getting another suitable property once inevitably the time comes to sell or re-use the Secombe.

   Sutton should be grateful for such volunteers, how do we help this charity going forward?
5. **Question asked by Councillor Holly Ramsey to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

How many unresolved cases of planning enforcement are currently being undertaken? What is the average length of time these are taking and what are the figures for the last 4 years?

6. **Question asked by Councillor Jed Dwight to Councillor Ruth Dombey, Leader of the Council**

What discussions have Sutton Borough Council had with Merton Council in relation to the licence for the EElectrics Music Festival due to take place in Morden Park in 2019?

7. **Question asked by Councillor Neil Garratt to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

The Government has released additional funds for pothole repairs and road resurfacing this winter, of which Sutton Council received almost half a million pounds. Without this extra money, how much would Sutton Council otherwise have spent on pothole and road resurfacing for this year, and what improvements should we expect this will make to Sutton's roads?

8. **Question asked by Councillor James McDermott - Hill to Councillor Steve Penneck, Lead Member for Libraries, Arts, Heritage & Culture**

In June 2015 the Worcester Park Library Garden was created and subsequently let to the Friends of Worcester Park Library, despite there being no overall support expressed within the group for this to take place.

Does the Council regret this happening given that the garden has slipped into a serious state of disrepair?

9. **Question asked by Councillor Catherine Gray to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

Could you please tell me how many shop units are currently vacant in the London Borough of Sutton?

10. **Question asked by Councillor Peter Geiringer to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

Over the past 12 months, how much has it cost this Borough to remove fly tipping and in the same period, how many fines for this were issued and for how much revenue with how many people taken to court and successfully prosecuted?
11. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

Sutton Council gave permission for an additional 80 flats to be built on the former Felnex site. Residents in this particular development will have exclusive rights to a gym and a bistro. When the council gave planning permission were any undertakings given by the developers that these apartments would be affordable and if not why not?

12. **Question asked by Councillor Lily Bande to Councillor Marian James, Chair of the People Committee**

Could you please provide us with the frequency on updates to elected members, parents’ forum, and other stakeholders on the progress of Written Statement of Action; in regards to improving the quality of Education Health and Care (EHC) Plan and your review to the process?

13. **Question asked by Councillor Tony Shields to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

I understand that a response to the "cease and desist" letter has been sent to many hundreds of residents twice. Why?

14. **Question asked by Councillor Peter Geiringer to Councillor Sunita Gordon, Lead Member for Resources**

One of the Lib Dem Council bright ideas was to purchase the Maplins business premises in Sutton High Street, though it was a well known fact that high streets (especially Sutton) were in decline.

Shortly after the purchase of the Maplins store the company went out of business. How long has the site been empty and how much vital revenue has been lost forever?

15. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

Residents in the New Mill Quarter will be obliged to buy their heat from SDEN. Given that the heat will be coming partly from gas boilers on the site can the council say what percentage of the heat will come from hot water from the incinerator and what percentage will come from the gas boilers?
16. **Question asked by Councillor Lily Bande to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

How does the council monitor commissioning arrangements for the provision of housing; to ensure that residents with priority need status for accommodation, such as: care leavers, victims of domestic abuse, pregnant women, families with children, the elderly, people with mental health and physical disabilities, are not homeless or threatened with homelessness?

17. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

Given that the price of gas is around 4 pence per kWh and in most new developments a dwelling comes with a gas boiler with warranty. Why is that SDEN customers will be paying a £28 pounds a month standing charge and in excess of 5.3 pence per kWh to have their homes heated by a mixture of gas and incinerator hot water?

18. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Jayne McCoy, Chair of the Housing, Economy & Business Committee**

If New Mill Quarter residents feel that they are being overcharged by SDEN what steps can they take to cancel the contract and find an energy supplier that offers better value?

19. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

The council has spent £30 million buying land which it hopes one day will be used as the site of the building that will lead the fight against cancer. Now that Cancer Research UK has said that that PM10 and PM 2.5 particulates are carcinogenic. What steps are the council taking to monitor particulate levels in Hackbridge Wallington North and Beddington during times children are at school or going to or coming from school?

20. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

Will funds made available in section 106 money that came from Viridor’s Incinerator planning permission to allow residents concerned about air pollution to install air quality monitors?
21. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Marian James, Chair of the People Committee**

New builders are taking over at the New Hackbridge School, has the council any idea when the school is likely to be finished and have the builders been asked to put in air filtration equipment due to the school being only 850 metres from the incinerator?

22. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

Currently large amounts of municipal solid waste are being dumped in the Viridor Landfill causing an awful stench and attracting ever increasing amounts of seagulls. It is suggested that this extended use was granted so that Viridor can ensure the maximum amount of rotting organic material is present. It is methane gas from its decomposition that powers the landfill engines that not only going to supply heat to SDEN but also generate lucrative subsidised electricity. Why has the council allowed this to happen and can the council not see that this is a blatant conflict of interest and a disregard of its obligations to support residents rather than its business partner in SDEN Viridor?

23. **Question asked by Councillor Nick Mattey to Councillor Manuel Abellan, Chair of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee**

Residents in Beddington have claimed that since the traffic lights at the pedestrian crossing have been removed crossing the road has become more hazardous and that vehicle speeds have increased. What evidence can the council supply that this is not the case?
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