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| 1 | Lib Dem Cllr Tariq | Given new guidelines around the wearing of masks in Secondary schools, what is being done by the Council to ensure that schools have sufficient supplies of PPE to provide for staff and students? – Councillor Powell |
| | | There is a reasonable expectation that pupils, being required to wear masks in shops and some other public places, will be in possession of masks that can then be used when in communal spaces in schools. It is however recognised that there will be instances where pupils do not have access to a mask and arrangements have been made through the Council's Public Health Team, for all secondary schools to be provided with a supply of masks. |
| 2 | Labour Cllr O'Brien | Would the Leader join me in thanking all Bury's local businesses for their efforts during the lockdown, and for taking seriously their responsibilities for customer and staff safety as they reopen? Cllr Whitby |
| | | <p>I would like to take this opportunity to place on record on behalf of the Cabinet my thanks to Bury's local businesses for their efforts during lockdown and the manner in which businesses have taken seriously their responsibilities.</p> <p>Any business should be operating in a Covid 19 secure way to help protect both their staff and clients. This means they should have carried out a risk assessment, incorporated social distancing, good hygiene practices such as hand washing, hand sanitisation and masks / visors where possible. If in the hospitality trade be assisting the NHS with record keeping for customers to help with contact tracing.</p> <p>Anyone wanting to report Covid 19 poor safety measures can contact the council in the usual ways by ringing 253 5353 , your voice counts or by emailing commercial@bury.gov.uk</p> |
| 3 | Labour Cllr D Jones | Following the tragic murder of teenager Cole Kershaw, could the Leader advise us what action the Council is taking to improve community safety in the Chesham area of Moorside? Cllr Walmsley |
| | | <p>Members will no doubt be aware of the tragic death of Cole Kershaw who was shot on the night of August 12th. Three men from Bury have been charged and are now awaiting trial.</p> <p>Although thankfully a rare occurrence in Bury this incident has shone a spotlight on Chesham with residents suggesting there is an issue with crime and anti-social behaviour in the area.</p> <p>In the immediate aftermath of the incident, Police colleagues have been</p> |

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| | | <p>very visible in the area with increased patrols and a mobile police station at Clarence Park to provide reassurance and advice. GMP Family Liaison Officers and Local Authority colleagues are also in regular contact with the family of the victim to support the family through the tragedy.</p> <p>From a wider perspective, clearly the community have been through a difficult time and are no doubt concerned about the incident. The additional Police presence will help but a longer-term approach is needed to defuse tensions and ensure that the community feel safe.</p> <p>One of the common complaints raised by the community is in relation to anti-social behaviour perpetrated by young people, hanging around in parks and on the street at night. This issue had already been raised through our Youth Violence programme and detached youth workers have been focussing on the area recently. They have so far engaged with 27 young people in and around Chesham and will continue to make this area their prime focus in the coming weeks and months. Through the Serious Youth Violence grant funding we are funding a further five project and sessional staff to enhance this work for the next 12 months. This is being delivered in conjunction with Police colleagues through Operation Sycamore where Police are increasing patrols of hotspot areas for anti-social behaviour at peak times (often Friday and Saturday evenings).</p> <p>Whilst the precise details of the incident are not public knowledge the perception in the community is that organised crime is involved and that there is a wider concern about the prevalence of drug dealing in the area. Again, with a focus on young people there is a team of Early Intervention Practitioners working with young people on the periphery of Organised Crime which complements the work the Police do in targeting Organised Crime gangs across the borough.</p> <p>Additionally, as above, we are aware of the potential for community tensions at this time. Each week a Tensions Monitoring Group meets to discuss intelligence received and looks at how best we can mitigate those issues. Chesham will be at the forefront of those discussions with a specific task and finish group convening to ensure that specific work is done to capture tensions from the community and act before they become more entrenched.</p> |
| 4 | <p>Conservative Cllr O'Brien</p> | <p>Can the Leader explain the recently advertised post of Executive Policy Support, why this is needed and how this differs from a Political Assistant. Cllr. Yvonne Wright</p> |

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| | | <p>This post is not unique to Bury. Others in Greater Manchester have established something similar.</p> <p>There are many differences to this post and the role of a Political Assistant:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is a support role to me as Leader of the Council and not to the wider Group - it does not work directly for the Labour Group. 2. The post holder is responsible to an officer in the Council on a line management basis, rather than to me as Group Leader. 3. This post is recruited by an officer in the Council, whereas Political Assistants are recruited by the Group Leader and Councillors from the political group. 4. The postholder will not be able to seek support for a political party – which a Political Assistant is able to do. 5. The level of remuneration for a Political Assistant is set by law, whereas we have recruited in line with the Council's Job Evaluation Process (which is a similar salary to that stated in law) – <i>for reference Political Assistants may be paid from £25,044 to £34,986 and the Council's Grade is a Grade 12 (£33,799 to £35,934).</i> 6. The post is a permanent appointment, whereas a Political Assistant is fixed term to align with the election process. <p>Moving on to why this role is needed, the Council does not have the skills or capacity in its current workforce to undertake this role. It will fully support me in my portfolio of work, primarily here in Bury; but it will also support me in my role in Greater Manchester, as lead for children and young people.</p> |
| 5 | <p>Labour</p> <p>Cllr D Jones</p> | <p>Could the leader update us on the current situation regarding the Veterans Covenant which I understand was adopted some time ago? Cllr Gold</p> |
| | | <p>The Armed Forces Covenant is a long-standing promise by the nation that those who serve or who have served in the armed forces, and their families, will be treated with fairness and respect within the communities, economy and society they serve and protect.</p> <p>In June 2017 Bury Council confirmed its support for the Armed Forces Community by signing the Armed Forces Community Covenant. Since this time, there has been significant work on a Greater Manchester covenant and whilst this will not replace Bury's own, it is timely to review Bury's covenant building on the regional offer and our own local offer in Bury.</p> <p>Following agreement with the Cabinet Member for Communities and</p> |

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| | | <p>Emergency Response a review of the local covenant was signalled on Armed Forces Day this year. As a result a desktop review has been undertaken of Bury's current covenant, testing this against areas of best practice including LGA guidance.</p> <p>This review has considered key domains within the Covenant and themes raised at Bury's Armed Forces Summit which took place in 2018 including employment; education and skills; health and wellbeing; housing; recognition and remembrance; community integration; and working with partners.</p> <p>A meeting with Armed Forces Community representatives and stakeholders is scheduled on 16 September to explore what more could be done locally to improve the delivery of the covenant, and importantly to prioritise actions. Following this meeting, when we will be clearer on priorities, we will seek to engage with partners across public services to develop a collaborative approach to the refresh of the covenant, with key partners being asked to co-sign the covenant to demonstrate their commitment to delivering actions locally.</p> <p>This work will complement the Council's Opportunity Guarantee, which has been agreed as part of the recovery phase from covid-19, as the covenant will set out what members of the Armed Forces Community can expect from the Council and partners.</p> <p>The outcome of the review will be submitted to the Strategic Commissioning Board along with recommendations as to the future governance arrangements To maintain ongoing engagement and commitment to delivering the covenant.</p> |
| 6 | <p>Labour</p> <p>Cllr Tariq</p> | <p>What have we been doing to support the safe and secure opening of our local schools for this new academic year? Cllr Susan Southworth</p> |
| | | <p>Thank you for your question, as you will be aware Schools and Centres are scheduled for full re-opening from start of term and I can assure Council that the following steps have been put in place to ensure the safe and secure opening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk Assessments have been reviewed and where appropriate refreshed. • Use of zoning, bubbles, scenario planning, and curriculum adjustments to suit specific situations and environments. • A Heads Conference took place on Monday 24 August 2020. • Careful audit of practice in other Local Authorities, attention to guidance from Government, and Public Health England: supportive discussions with the RSC team. • Daily Bulletins plus Lets Do It Resource (a compendium of advice, guidance, and support) • Weekly meetings with: Advisory Heads, Unions and Associations, school clusters, and the Regional Schools Commissioner. Pastoral support to schools. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular briefings to parents and carers. • Communications Strategy across Children’s Services to ensure consistent reassuring messages to service and parents. • Good partnership with Public Health England, emerging body of good practice in how to manage spikes: based on six schools and four Early Years centres. • Covid Catch Up Grant £2.4 million to schools. Plus National Tuition Scheme. • Three phases: 1. Autumn Term: return, assess, reset 2. Autumn-Spring Terms: Consolidation and recovery 3. Autumn - Summer Terms: Development. • HMI feedback from their residency in Bury - we were made very welcome. It was a focussed and well organised residency. Relationships between Heads and the Local Authority were felt to be excellent, with high levels of trust and confidence. There was a determination to succeed; and much passion! |
| 7 | Conservative Cllr O’Brien | Can the leader provide a breakdown of standards complaints made by political groups for the previous three years including the total cost of these complaints to the Bury Tax Payer. Cllr. Robert Caserta |
| | | <p>There have been no standards complaints made by political groups in the three year period since 1 September 2017, formal or informal.</p> <p>The Council’s records show that there have been standards complaints from elected members as well as members of the public during that time, 9 Complaints from elected members and 17 Complaints from members of the public.</p> <p>The external cost of dealing with those complaints to date over the 3 year period was £6016.15.</p> <p>In addition the Council’s Independent Person costs the Council £500 per annum plus any expenses charged for attending any hearings.</p> <p>The internal cost to the Council is in both officer and member time, which is not recorded.</p> <p>If there is a supplemental the response should be;</p> <p>As standards matters are within the remit of the Council’s Standards Committee I will ask Cllr Pickstone as Chair of that committee to respond in writing.</p> |
| 8 | Lib Dem Cllr Simpson | What level of use is currently being made of the site of the Prestwich Walk-In Centre and when will the Walk-In Centre reopen?- Councillor S Wright |

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| | | <p>The Prestwich Walk in Centre is currently the base for the Covid Management Service for the borough – an invaluable service during the pandemic in providing primary care services for COVID positive patients and making a contribution to reducing infection risk in other practices in the borough.</p> <p>The COVID Management Service has been and continues to be a vital element of the Bury wide COVID strategy which includes the need to minimise open access points for patients in favour of a more managed triage and book service. The COVID management service has dealt with 2,504 referrals since the pandemic started. The service provides telephone triage and advice, face to face GP appointments and home visits where required.</p> <p>Options on the continuation of the covid management service are currently in development and will take place in the context of the epidemiology of the pandemic.</p> <p>While we are in the pandemic we are seeking to limit face to face contacts for healthcare services in favour of digitalised opportunities through, for example, Ask my GP, and in current circumstances of COVID 19 it is not intended the WIC will reopen soon.</p> |
| 9 | <p>Labour</p> <p>Cllr Tariq</p> | <p>During this difficult time, what are we doing to protect the most vulnerable children in our borough? Cllr Whitby</p> |
| | | <p>We are continuing to take a robust approach to ensuring that the most vulnerable children in the borough are protected. All children who have a key worker with an Early Help, Children in Need, Child Protection, LAC or EHC Plan are being supported to return to school and we are closely monitoring attendance.</p> <p>The Team around the School model provides clear communication pathways and schools have a named worker they can contact if they have any concerns for children returning to school.</p> <p>At the request of the Inclusion Partnerships, Inclusion service personnel have put together a list of 'starting point' questions to help schools to identify their newly vulnerable pupils prior to their return to school. Information gathered can be used as a monitoring tool to support the early identification of need and to ensure that intervention is made available at the earliest possible point.</p> |

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| 10 | Labour Cllr O'Brien | <p>Would the Leader share my concern that the Government are consulting on measures to weaken the requirement for affordable housing on smaller development sites? Cllr Gold</p> |
| | | <p>Current national planning policy states that affordable housing contributions should be sought for developments on sites with 10 or more homes.</p> <p>As part of the package of widespread proposed reforms to the planning system, the Government is currently consulting on proposals that would temporarily raise this threshold to 'around 40 or 50 homes'.</p> <p>Simply put – the net effect of this proposal, should it make its way through to national planning guidance, would be to significantly reduce the amount of affordable housing that would be delivered through the planning system across the country.</p> <p>Just as a snapshot – over 20% of homes that are currently being constructed across the Bury are on sites between 10 and 50 units. If this proposal had been in place at the time of permission, there would have been a loss of over 100 much needed affordable homes for our residents.</p> <p>Even these units that have been secured through existing permissions may be under threat if the proposal goes ahead. Developer's sitting on existing permissions that are conditioned to ensure a percentage are affordable are likely to resubmit their proposals without any these and local authorities – including ourselves – will be powerless to stop this.</p> <p>The bottom line is that this proposal will significantly reduce the amount of affordable homes that will be delivered in Bury, which will undermine our local planning policies and aspirations to provide good quality affordable homes for those in need – including new young families seeking secure accommodation.</p> |
| 11 | Conservative Cllr O'Brien | <p>Can the Leader of the Council detail how many and who in the Labour Council Group took a 10% allowance cut since May 2020 as part of the expansion of the Cabinet. Cllr. Ian Schofield</p> |
| | | <p>Following the unanimous agreement at Full Council in 2011, Members resolved that the Member Allowance scheme be amended and payments of special responsibility allowances be subject to a 10% reduction. This includes all Cabinet, Deputy Cabinet members and Chairs of Regulatory and Scrutiny Committees.</p> |
| 12 | Labour Cllr O'Brien | <p>In the Government's White Paper on Planning, it references a binding housing target for local authorities and a new methodology for Local Housing Need. Has the Council determined what impact this may have on the GMSF? Cllr Mortenson</p> |
| | | <p>Under the Government's proposed reforms to the planning system, there</p> |

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| | | <p>are proposals to make changes to the current methodology used for identifying local housing needs for each district.</p> <p>Members will be aware that this methodology is important as it identifies the level of housing need that should be planned for in each local authority.</p> <p>The current standard methodology that is required for the GMSF, uses the 2014 household projections. This gives Bury an annual local housing need of 601 dwellings.</p> <p>The proposed new method for calculating local housing need uses the latest 2018 household projections, which on the face of it – makes sense given that this is the most up to date evidence of household growth.</p> <p>However, the methodology also applies an uplift to these projections based on affordability issues and also a percentage of existing housing stock. The net effect of this is that the new methodology would actually give Bury an increased annual housing need of 673 dwellings.</p> <p>This increase is in spite of the 2018 household projections being much lower than the 2014 household projections that we currently have to work with under Government policy.</p> <p>It would seem that the new methodology has been designed to drive forward the Government’s aspirations for aspirations for 300,000 homes annually, and one million homes over the current Parliament.</p> <p>Importantly – the new proposals indicate that the housing need figures would be binding on local authorities. It is unclear whether districts would be able to work with other local authorities in meeting the need.</p> <p>As Members will be aware, the GMSF process allows us to offset a significant proportion of our current housing need to other parts of the conurbation.</p> <p>Clearly if we are unable to offset some of our needs and the annual requirement is actually higher – and BINDING – then the impact on our Green Belt could be much higher than it would be through the GMSF process.</p> |
| 13 | <p>Labour</p> <p>Cllr Cummins</p> | <p>What support has the Council put in place to support those in the private rented sector who may be affected by the proposed lifting of the evictions ban? Cllr B Mortenson</p> |
| | | <p>The Eviction ban has now been extended until the 20th September.</p> |

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| | | <p>Homelessness - during the pandemic we have continued to work and engage with tenants and landlords in the PRS within our statutory homelessness duty to prevent homelessness and provide support and advice as required. At present we are supporting 31 tenants in the PRS at risk of homelessness. One specific action due to the Eviction ban ending in August was to produce a letter which was sent to letting agents, known landlords and relevant stakeholder with information to promote how and who to contact for advice and support for any tenants at risk of homelessness.</p> <p>The Urban Renewal team in their statutory role also support the PRS and have contacted all landlords who have property portfolio's in Bury, all HMO landlords and all lettings agents via email to identify specific tenant needs as a result of the pandemic, such as language barriers for example, so that they can get information translated into appropriate languages to help provide support and advice. They have also continued operationally to ensure that disrepair issues are being tackled throughout the pandemic.</p> <p>Bury has made a strong commitment in Priority 2 of its recovery plan to ensure there is 'no rough sleeping'. As well implementing the GM initiative of 'A Bed Every Night' and delivering outreach support, the council is working closely with commissioned housing related support providers to deliver tenancy related support, before households are in crisis. This includes a floating support service that works with all households, including those that are owner occupiers to prevent evictions and develop independent living skills.</p> |
| 14 | <p>Conservative Cllr O'Brien</p> | <p>The Government has provided £1.957 million to Bury Council to fund the Discretionary Grant Scheme to help local small and micro businesses. Has all the grant been allocated and what businesses have benefited? Cllr. Dene Vernon</p> |
| | | <p>As of 12th August a total of £1,677,844.80 has been allocated to 249 Bury businesses. Phase 3 has now closed and the expectation is that we will spend all of the £1.957m budget. Phase 3 Grant allocations will be processed w/c 1st September 2020 ahead of the Government deadline for payments of 30th September 2020. An evaluation of the programme will be completed once the scheme closes and details will be shared.</p> |
| 15 | <p>Labour Cllr D Jones</p> | <p>On the 13th of November it's national let's be kind day, I wondered if this could be used as a day to thank volunteers who've helped over the COVID19 period I also thought this might be a good day to promote kindness and community groups showcase there good work? Cllr Grimshaw</p> |

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| | | <p>Thanks for the notification about this day. Thanking Key Workers and Volunteers is one of the ten priorities of the Bury Recovery Plan and we can consider how we can use this day in November to complement our current plans. We will work in co-production with VCFA and the Kind Bury movement to make the most of the opportunities this day offers. We wouldn't want to limit our activity to just one day and have already engaged in some thanks and recognition activity through the road painting campaign and thank you letters to volunteers. We have developed a video about the work of the Community Hub staff and volunteers and this would be a great day to launch it across social media. We are also committed to embedding the work of volunteers and the Kind Bury and People Powered Network in the 2030 Strategy.</p> |
| 16 | <p>Labour Cllr Simpson</p> | <p>What is the council doing to promote health and well being during the COVID19 crisis? Cllr McGill</p> |
| | | <p>Many of our staff are Bury residents and as such at the start of lockdown, an Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) was implemented, which enables council staff to access wellbeing support via telephone, website and app.</p> <p>In regards to the wider community. The Bury Directory team immediately set up a dedicated Coronavirus section, bringing together a range of essential support services, information and advice pages specifically to COVID19 in one place. Within this section there are updates on the latest information from Government, links to Public Health England websites and NHS website. There are also specific Health and Wellbeing topic areas covered such as bereavement and mental health. Alongside the directory information, key messages, updates and campaigns have been shared via all our social media websites (Facebook and twitter) to enhance getting the messages out to the public/professionals.</p> <p>We also created an online version of the 'Helping Yourself to Wellbeing' training course to ensure people could continue to access advice and support from their home. This is aimed at helping people make behaviour changes to improve their health and the health of others.</p> <p>In addition Bury Community hubs were set up at the start of the lockdown with the support of organised voluntary groups and local volunteers across the whole of Bury. They have provided support to the most vulnerable, particularly those required to shield or otherwise socially or economically vulnerable. They have helped with food and medicine supplies and other essentials. In partnership with the hubs, Age UK Bury have also been offering a befriending service that the hubs refer</p> |

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| | | <p>into, for those at risk of social isolation.</p> <p>During COVID-19 the Live Well Service has continued to deliver support to local communities, through the BEATS service and Health Trainers. The service continued to provide range of advice and support around physical activity, healthy eating and stopping smoking using a range of online technologies.</p> <p>Finally, the council facilitated the development of the Bury Food Aid group This is the coming together and coordinated approach of 12 food banks providing support with food distribution and storage facilities to the most vulnerable.</p> |
| 17 | <p>Lib Dem</p> <p>Cllr O'Brien</p> | <p>Can the leader provide an update on the progress made in recent months regarding plans for the regeneration of Prestwich village centre? – Councillor Powell</p> |
| | | <p>Over the last 6 months the Council has made significant progress with regard to bringing forward the pre-development phase of the regeneration of Prestwich Village. Progress includes engagement with the development market. We have developed a set of key values and principles we see as important in delivering the Prestwich scheme.</p> <p>Over the next 6 months the Council are seeking to source a long-term partner who shares our views on the potential of the site and wants to work with the community to deliver a new centre which is attractive to all residents.</p> <p>We will also be designing a hub building that meets the requirements of the public sector bodies in Prestwich. The hub building will incorporate the NHS Trust's functions combining two GP practices, the library, adult learning centre, indoor community room (to replace the Longfield Suite that could house indoor market, leisure uses), new cycling hub and a Job Centre.</p> <p>It is anticipated at the November Cabinet a Paper will be presented outlining the way forward for the regeneration of Prestwich.</p> |
| 18 | <p>Conservative</p> <p>Cllr Rafiq</p> | <p>During the present Covid19 emergency with all the financial pressures, why is the council spending large sums of money re-writing our constitution? Cllr. Jackie Harris</p> |
| | | <p>The Constitution sets out how the Council operates; how decisions are lawfully made and the procedures which are to be followed to ensure that these are efficient, transparent and accountable to local people. The Council has a legal duty to publish an up-to-date Constitution.</p> |

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| | | <p>The Council made a number of changes to the Constitution at its annual meeting in May 2020 and agreed to a further full Review during 2020/21 as a priority.</p> <p>A technical review of the Constitution has found that it has not been properly reviewed since 2001, is out of date and is not internally consistent. This creates unnecessary legal risk to the governance of the Council and decisions affecting public services and public money, especially at a time of national crisis. It is also an unwieldy document to read, navigate and use on-line.</p> <p>The review began in June and will be completed in time for the Council meeting in November 2020.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 | <p>Lib Dem</p> <p>Cllr O'Brien</p> | <p>What are the total amounts of uncollected Council Tax and Business Rates from the current and previous five financial years? How does the collection rate this year compare with the same period in previous years?- Councillor Tegolo</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | <p>Based on a comparison with collection rates for previous years, the Council has collected £1.060m less in council tax and £0.759m less in business rates than anticipated. Some residents and businesses have however negotiated alternative payment profiles, i.e. spreading payments over 12 months rather than 10 and also delaying the start of their payment for 3 months and this will have an impact.</p> <p>The information in the previous financial years is as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="422 1368 1522 2007"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="3">Council Tax</th> <th colspan="3">Business Rates</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>Amount Billed</th> <th>Amount Collected</th> <th>Shortfall</th> <th>Amount Billed</th> <th>Amount Collected</th> <th>Shortfall</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>£m</th> <th>£m</th> <th>£m</th> <th>£m</th> <th>£m</th> <th>£m</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2019/20</td> <td>104.1</td> <td>100.3</td> <td>3.8</td> <td>51.3</td> <td>48.9</td> <td>2.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2018/19</td> <td>98.9</td> <td>95.4</td> <td>3.5</td> <td>51.9</td> <td>49.9</td> <td>2.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2017/18</td> <td>92.2</td> <td>89.1</td> <td>3.1</td> <td>51.1</td> <td>49.0</td> <td>2.1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2016/17</td> <td>85.3</td> <td>82.6</td> <td>2.7</td> <td>53.4</td> <td>50.7</td> <td>2.7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2015/16</td> <td>81.1</td> <td>78.8</td> <td>2.3</td> <td>52.2</td> <td>49.2</td> <td>3.0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | Council Tax | | | Business Rates | | | | Amount Billed | Amount Collected | Shortfall | Amount Billed | Amount Collected | Shortfall | | £m | £m | £m | £m | £m | £m | 2019/20 | 104.1 | 100.3 | 3.8 | 51.3 | 48.9 | 2.4 | 2018/19 | 98.9 | 95.4 | 3.5 | 51.9 | 49.9 | 2.0 | 2017/18 | 92.2 | 89.1 | 3.1 | 51.1 | 49.0 | 2.1 | 2016/17 | 85.3 | 82.6 | 2.7 | 53.4 | 50.7 | 2.7 | 2015/16 | 81.1 | 78.8 | 2.3 | 52.2 | 49.2 | 3.0 |
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| 20 | Lib Dem Cllr O'Brien | <p>Given the recent announcement that Capita are closing many of their office bases, what is the current rental status of the out of borough commercial properties owned by the Authority?- Councillor S Wright</p> |
| | | <p>We have had no official notification from Capita as regards surrendering their lease and the rent continues to be paid.</p> <p>The Council is in a position to insist that Capita continue to pay rent over the entire term of their lease agreement.</p> |
| 21 | Lib Dem Cllr Quinn | <p>How many reports of fly-tipping have been made so far this year and for the last full financial year?- Councillor Tegolo</p> |
| | | <p>Fly Tipping reports from 01/04/20 = 1420</p> <p>Fly Tipping reports for financial year 2019/20 = 2565</p> |