

Essex County Council

13 December 2022

Order Paper

Agenda item 4

Public Speakers

The following question will be asked by a member of the public registered to speak in accordance with Standing Order 16.12.8.

Question 1: from **Mr Mott**, a resident of Wickford, who is to ask a question on the subject of the Fortune of War roundabout at Laindon. The question is:

‘What progress has been achieved to progress plans to straighten what is left of the old Fortune of War roundabout at Laindon’

Cllr Lesley Wagland, Cabinet Member for Economic Renewal, Infrastructure and Planning will respond.

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Agenda item 8

Motions

The following amendment to Motion 3 has been received:

Motion 3 Constructive Approach to Achieving Net Zero– Liberal Democrat Group amendment

An amendment to be moved by **Cllr Stephen Robinson** and seconded by **Cllr David King**.

(The words deleted are shown ~~struck through~~ and additions are shown underlined)

‘This Council notes that the United Kingdom is leading the way on climate change, with 90 per cent of the world’s economy covered by net zero targets, a significant increase from just one third before the UK’s COP 26 presidency.

This Council is supportive of the UK Government’s ambition to make this country a clean energy superpower and is proud of the UK’s record on cutting greenhouse emissions.

~~This Council acknowledges our Climate Action and our ambitious £200 million Climate Action Plan which has seen Essex recognised as one of only 122 locations~~

~~across the globe taking bold leadership on environmental action and transparency, despite the pressures of a challenging global economic situation.~~

~~However, this Council:~~

- ~~1. Is concerned by the impact of illegal protests on residents, threatening nationally important infrastructure.~~
- ~~2. Understands the need to act on the environment but believes that cooperation with the UK Government and residents is the right way to pursue our objectives.~~
- ~~3. Condemns all illegal protests organised by Just Stop Oil.~~
- ~~4. Commends the robust and timely action taken by Essex Police to minimise disruption.~~
- ~~5. Demands that Just Stop Oil end all illegal protest activities and work constructively alongside local and national government to achieve our net zero target.'~~

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(The motion, if amended, would then read:)

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