Item 11

Questions on Notice

1. Potholes in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Jarrett

Question

Following the La Nina flooding events in the City of Sydney throughout 2022, many roads have been damaged, and potholes have appeared. With further La Nina rainfall predicted for summer 2022-2023, it is likely that further potholes will occur on City of Sydney roads.

- 1. Are annual and/or quarterly audits of potholes in the City of Sydney carried out?
- 2. If an audit of potholes has been carried out for 2021, will Council be presented with this data and information?
- 3. Will an audit of potholes in the City of Sydney occur by the end of 2022?
- 4. If an audit of potholes will be occurring between now and the end of 2022, will the data and information collected be presented to the Council?
- 5. Can a report be prepared to include what work needs to be carried out and the timetable for the work?

X086666

2. Domain Cultural Precinct

By Councillor Jarrett

Question

On Wednesday, 7 September 2022, the Sydney Morning Herald outlined an arts precinct proposal for the Domain. This proposal was seen by the City of Sydney Council.

- 1. Was the matter of an arts precinct for the Domain proposed to the City of Sydney Council?
- 2. If the matter of an arts precinct for the Domain was proposed to the City of Sydney Council, when did this occur, who attended the presentation, and what was the outcome of the presentation?
- 3. If the matter of an arts precinct for the Domain was not presented to the City of Sydney Council, who within the City of Sydney received the briefing that led the City of Sydney Council to be included in the Sydney Morning Herald article from 7 September 2022?

3. Implementing Gender Equity and Development

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. What are the main or key Council policies, procedures and rules currently in place, which outline Council's commitment to promoting gender equity, ending discrimination on the basis of gender, and promoting women's rights?
- 2. What Council policies, procedures and rules are currently to promote safe, inclusive and discrimination-free streets, public spaces, businesses and venues in the City?
- 3. What are the key planning processes and instruments currently in place, which guide what kinds of venues can be opened or operated in the City?
- 4. What planning processes, instruments or other rules protect against venues being operated in the City which discriminate against people on the basis of gender?
- 5. What planning processes, instruments or other rules determine whether exclusive, men's only clubs also known as 'Gentlemen's Clubs' can be opened or operated in the City?

X086664

4. Macleay Street Upgrade

By Councillor Gannon

Question

The Macleay Street Upgrade has been a long ongoing capital works project.

- 1. When did works commence?
- 2. What was its original completion date?
- 3. When is it predicted to be competed?
- 4. How many days, weeks and months is it overdue?
- 5. What was its original budget?
- 6. Is it over budget?
- 7. If so, by how much is it over budget?
- 8. How many complaints have been received?
- 9. Has there been a review of the community communication strategy?

5. Street Furniture Upgrade

By Councillor Gannon

Question

The Street Furniture Upgrade has been a long ongoing capital works project.

- 1. When was it due for completion?
- 2. When will it be completed?
- 3. How many days, weeks and months is it overdue?
- 4. How many complaints has the City received?
- 5. How much has it cost the City?
- 6. Has its delay resulted in additional costs for the City?

X086665

6. Actioning the Success of the Jobs and Skill Summit

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. Broken down by year since 2006, how many apprentices has the City hired per year?
- 2. Broken down by year since 2006, what has been our annual expenditure on apprentice wages?
- 3. Broken down by year since 2006, how many trainees has the City hired per year?
- 4. Broken down by year since 2006, what has been our annual expenditure on trainee wages?
- 5. Broken down by year since 2006, how many graduates has the City hired per year?
- 6. Broken down by year since 2006, what has been our annual expenditure on graduate wages?

7. Council Vehicles

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. Broken down by year since 2006, and ownership type, what is the petrol bill for the outsourced, leased and council owned vehicles?
- 2. Broken down by year since 2006, what are the total accumulated emissions by outsourced, leased and council owned vehicles?

X086668

8. Proposal to Allow Two-Way Bike Traffic on Some One Way Streets

By Councillor Weldon

Question

- 1. What is the public consultation period for the proposal to allow two-way bike traffic on some one-way streets?
- 2. Which groups have Council identified as being impacted by this proposal?
- 3. What are the processes by which these groups can provide their feedback on this proposal?
- 4. What was the process for deciding which residents, business organisations and others potentially impacted received a flyer notifying them of the proposal to allow two-way bike traffic on some one-way streets?
- 5. What dates were flyers delivered across the Local Government Area informing residents of the proposal to allow two-way bike traffic on some one-way streets?
- 6. How many flyers were delivered?
- 7. Was the URL link on the flyer to provide feedback via the Council website correct?
- 8. If the answer to 7 is no, is it proposed to reissue the flyer?
- 9. Has Council informed or consulted with the Minister for Roads and the Minister for Metropolitan Roads prior to developing the proposed changes to allow two-way bike traffic on some one-way streets?
- 10. Has Council informed or consulted with the Minister for Police or the Police Commissioner on the proposal to allow two-way bike traffic on one-way streets?

- 11. Have road safety investigations been conducted on each of the laneways and streets where it is proposed to allow two-way bike traffic on one-way streets.
- 12. If the answer to 11 is yes:
 - (a) What are the names of safety experts/organisations who have conducted safety investigations on the laneways and streets where it is proposed to allow two-way bike traffic on one-way streets?
 - (b) When were these investigations conducted?
 - (c) What are the names of the streets/laneways in the Local Government Area which have had safety investigations conducted?
 - (d) Will the Chief Executive Officer provide the reports conducted by safety experts/organisations available to Councillors via the CEO Update?
 - (e) Will the Chief Executive Officer arrange for the public to be informed of the reports conducted by safety experts/organisations to assist their consideration of the impact of the proposed changes to allow two-way bike traffic on one-way streets?

X086670

9. Temporary Cycleways in City of Sydney - Legal Advice

By Councillor Weldon

Question

I refer to my question on 22 August 2022 "Temporary Cycleways in City of Sydney" and to the response by the Chief Executive Officer:

"Transport for NSW and the City of Sydney delivered seven pop up cycleways in the City of Sydney under the Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development- Temporary Cycleways) Order 2020. The original Order required that pop-up cycleways be removed within two months of the expiry of the prescribed period unless they are approved through the usual planning processes under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. On 25 March 2021, the NSW Government extended the prescribed period for temporary planning measures until 31 March 2022"

- 1. What provision of the Order allowed pop up cycleways to remain if they were approved under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979?
- 2. In providing the answer to my Question on Notice, did the Chief Executive Officer have the benefit of legal advice?
- 3. If so, who provided this legal advice?

- 4. If the Chief Executive Officer did not have the benefit of legal advice will the Chief Executive Officer obtain legal advice?
- 5. If the legal advice is that her previous answer was incorrect, will she correct her previous answer?

X086670

10. QMS Advertising

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. What are the dimensions of the new QMS advertising signs in comparison to the old ones? (width, height and depth)
- 2. What has been the revenue garnered by the signs by each respective year since 2015?
- 3. Has the City applied Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) considerations to the signs? Will the advertisement of smoking, coal mining or gambling be permitted?

X086668

11. Use of Glyphosate within the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. Where do we use products containing glyphosate and for what purpose?
- 2. How much money do we spend a year on those products containing glyphosate?
- 3. Has the city investigated the possibilities of using alternative products?