

COUNCIL MEETING – 15 DECEMBER 2016

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH COUNCIL

- a Youth Councillor Mohamed to Councillor Watts, Leader of the Council:

What impact does Cllr Watts think the vote for Brexit will have on Islington as a London Borough and specifically to the employment, learning and training opportunities for Islington's young people?

- b Youth Councillor Diana to Councillor Hull, Executive Member for Finance, Performance and Community Safety:

During the autumn Islington Youth Councillor and elected Member of the UK Youth Parliament Mohamed Abass co-ordinated the annual Make Your Mark ballot, which is the largest consultation of young people in the country. In Islington over 1,600 young people voted in 10 schools, City and Islington College, Lift and Platform youth hubs and other youth projects.

In the top 5 issues young people voted for both nationally and locally, tackling racism and religious discrimination featured as concerns.

How is the council tackling hate crime in the borough?

- c Youth Councillor Honey to Councillor Caluori, Executive Member for Children, Young People and Families:

Following the range of activities that took place in the summer organised by the IYC and partners and asked what it was like to be a young person living in Islington, what does Cllr Caluori think the next steps will be in making Islington an even better place for young people to grow up, live and learn?

- d Youth Councillor Tega to Councillor Caluori, Executive Member for Children, Young People and Families:

In October the Children's Society highlighted that Head Teachers have seen a noticeable shift in the underlying causes of mental health difficulties for children and their families; specifically caused by debt. The Children's Society highlights that the problem of debt is putting the mental health and well-being of children at risk.

How does Cllr Caluori think schools and colleges in the borough are encouraged to teach young people about managing money and avoiding debt as part of the curriculum for life?

- e Youth Councillor Tega to Councillor Burgess, Executive Member for Health and Social Care:

How does Cllr Burgess think that the Mental Health Charter will improve the mental health of children who are in families experiencing debt?