

Brighton & Hove City Council

Cabinet

Agenda Item 25(b)

Subject: Written Questions

Date of meeting: 18 July 2024

A period of not more than thirty minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting for questions submitted by a member of the public.

The following written questions have been received from members of the public:

(1) King Alfred – Gerry Walden

Given that you have provided rough costings, could you tell me what Low stack and high stack mean with regard to leisure facilities (types) and housing (quantities).

(2) King Alfred – Laura King

The King Alfred is a significant building on Hove seafront, yet nowhere in the latest report on the King Alfred does it mention heritage. How does our council justify the demolition of one of the last remaining coastal Land Ships in the country, training 22,500 men and women for WWII naval Service, in between doing double duty as a south coast destination leisure centre, rather than the restoration and rebirth of this seafront art deco, community leisure centre asset like Saltdean Lido?

(3) King Alfred – Diane Montgomery

The decision as to whether to demolish the King Alfred Centre and build a new sports centre should not be made until a Whole Life-Cycle Carbon (WLC) Emissions Assessment has been completed. This would consider the embodied carbon in the existing building; the option of retrofitting as opposed to demolition and would ensure that the project is fully consistent with the Council's commitments to be carbon neutral by 2030. Can the Council provide an assurance that any major decisions regarding the future of the King Alfred Centre will not be taken until a WLC Assessment has been completed and made publicly available?

