

**Public  
Questions for Council  
16 November 2022**

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<b>Title</b>		<b>Ext</b>	
<b>Service</b>			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Public Question for Council – Wednesday 16 November 2022 – Assistance for people in winter months</b>		
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Kevin Clarke, a resident of Washington, has submitted the following question.

“Assistance for people in winter months . Can the leader & all parties work together on this issue of people sleeping rough in the city by opening under empty buildings for shelter plus would all councillors regardless of political parties like to donate a portion or all of the SRA money for the next 3 months . Could this be put to a vote . If so could all leaders of parties form a task force to eradicate homelessness in the city”

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Tina Mellefont, a resident of Sunderland, has submitted the following question.

“Would it be possible to explain why there are so many people from Eastern Europe and Africa in Sunderland now. Is it for Education at our University or is it immigration. I believe in equality and diversity. But would like to know why, as I have noticed people of all ages.”

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Joanne Chapman, a resident of Sunderland, has submitted the following question.

“Could the leader inform me what plans are currently in place or may be considered to extend free public Wi-Fi to key public buildings and community spaces throughout Washington, Coalfield and Sunderland?”

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<b>Subject</b>	<b>Public Question for Council – Wednesday 16 November 2022 – Glyphosate Use</b>		
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Richard Bradley, a resident of Sunderland, has submitted the following question.

“SCC has some admirable trials in their Lets Talk Weeds initiative however, according to their own figures, total glyphosate use across the city has risen from 850l per annum to 2400l in the last three years. Will the council commit to reducing this for the remainder of the trial, and by how much?”

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Rachel Featherstone, a resident of Sunderland, has submitted the following question.

“SCC has signed an expression of interest in setting up an Investment Zone. Will the council commit to retaining local control over planning and maintaining as a minimum existing environmental protections, and don't let this be the first step towards Charter Cities as proposed by the right wing of the Tory party?”

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