

Council Questions and Answers

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Questions and Answers

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Item no 5.1

QUESTION NO 1

By Councillor Osler for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

With regards to the recent (temporary) development of the Christmas market in East Princes Street Gardens

- Question** (1) Was a professional arborist consulted with regard to the protection of the new landscape?
- Answer** (1) No, but Underbelly engaged with officers from the Council's Parks service.
- Question** (2) Edinburgh has a Trees in the City Action Plan which states that all development should be carried out as per British Standard 5837 which is the same standard the Planning Officers cited as the Planning Condition for the Galleries extension. Is this being adhered to?
- Answer** (2) Yes, the Standard states the need for a Root Protection Area. There is a no dig zone in the Root Protection Area with surface footings only to protect the trees.

Item no 5.2

QUESTION NO 2

By Councillor Osler for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

In September the Transport and Environment Committee approved the recommendations of the Strategic Review of Parking. Under the Phase One and Phase Two of the rollout, what consideration in the design has been given to the provision of:

Question (1) City Car Clubs spaces?

Answer (1) As part of the Strategic Review of Parking Enterprise Car Club are considering the potential for additional City Car Club bay locations.

Question (2) On street secure cycle storage?

Answer (2) The project teams for the Strategic Review of Parking and the Secure Cycle Scheme have worked together to ensure that joint TROs are progressed where there are overlaps.

Item no 5.3

QUESTION NO 3

By Councillor Osler for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

Considering the volume of rainfall and subsequent flooding experienced in Edinburgh this year when is the next trial of the demountable barrier at Falshaw Bridge due to be carried out as there has not been one since 2013?

Answer

It is intended to carry out a flood trial exercise across the city in April/May 2020. The proposed trial will take account of the constructed flood defences on the Water of Leith, including closure of some flood gates and demountable defences. During preparation of the exercise, consideration will be given to including Falshaw Bridge barriers as part of the trial.

Item no 5.4

QUESTION NO 4

By Councillor Doggart for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Following my motion to Council of 22 November 2018 requesting officers to report to the Transport and Environment Committee about programming construction work around the Princes Street Gardens Christmas Market and attractions to ensure there is:

1. A dignified no-work cordon around the Garden of Remembrance; and
2. A delay in the erection of high structures until after Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday in 2019.

Could the Convenor state:

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| Question | (1) When was the report presented to Transport and Environment Committee? |
| Answer | (1) Since agreeing this motion, the responsibility for parks has transferred from Transport and Environment Committee to Culture and Communities Committee. A report is being prepared for Culture and Communities Committee in January proposing a range of revisions to the Edinburgh Parks Event Manifesto. The revised document will take account of the motion referenced above and other related motions. |
| Question | (2) Has there been a dignified no-work cordon in place? |
| Answer | (2) Yes. |
| Question | (3) Has the erection of high structures been delayed until after Armistice Day 2019? |

Answer

- (3)** Yes, the erection of 'high' structures in the immediate vicinity of the Garden of Remembrance was delayed.

It is proposed to review the layout for future years to ensure that the Christmas Wheel is not erected until after Armistice Day. However discussions with the current contractor have indicated that this may prove difficult. Officers will continue to progress with these discussions and with the layout review.

Item no 5.5

QUESTION NO 5

By Councillor Rust for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

Please advise of Council revenue spend through external organisations in each of the last three years. Detail name of organisation and net amount spend.

Answer

The Council currently has around 8,500 external suppliers. Given this volume, the analysis below indicates the top fifty, expressed by value, in each of 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19. While the list includes both revenue and capital expenditure, that of a predominantly capital nature is marked by means of an asterisk.

Top Spend By Supplier Name, 2016/17	
Supplier name	Sum of invoiced payments
CGI IT UK Ltd	£24,492,771
Axiom Education Edinburgh Ltd	£22,670,651
Link Housing Association Ltd	£13,567,701
The Edinburgh Schools Partnership Ltd	£12,677,841
O'Hare and McGovern Ltd*	£12,448,128
Adecco UK Ltd	£11,545,235
EDF Energy Customers Plc	£10,413,278
Hub South East Scotland Limited*	£10,403,680
Viridor Waste Management Ltd	£10,304,396
Balfour Beatty Construction Scottish and Southern Ltd*	£10,267,055
Edinburgh Leisure	£8,891,285
CCG Scotland Ltd*	£8,448,663
McLaughlin and Harvey Limited*	£8,182,319
Port of Leith Housing*	£7,059,915
Willmott Dixon Construction Limited*	£7,042,416
Dunedin Canmore Housing Ltd*	£6,764,611
NSL Limited	£6,612,937

Top Spend By Supplier Name, 2017/18	
Supplier name	Sum of invoiced payments
CGI IT UK Ltd	£26,396,425
Axiom Education Edinburgh Ltd	£22,976,287
The Edinburgh Schools Partnership Ltd	£18,399,451
Viridor Waste Management Ltd	£15,844,866
Willmott Dixon Construction Limited*	£15,300,703
Link Housing Association Ltd	£13,190,676
Link Group Ltd*	£12,221,198
EDF Energy Customers Plc	£11,250,543
Edinburgh Leisure	£8,574,490
Pertemps Recruitment	£8,490,277
Dunedin Canmore Housing Ltd*	£7,804,575
McGill Electrical Limited*	£7,700,438
McLaughlin and Harvey Limited*	£7,111,539
ASA International Ltd	£6,834,621
NSL Limited	£6,583,659
CCG Scotland Ltd*	£6,467,662
Castle Rock Edinvar Housing	£6,300,950

Top Spend By Supplier Name, 2018/19	
Organisation	Sum of invoiced payments
CGI IT UK Ltd	£33,471,725
Axiom Education Edinburgh Ltd	£23,594,820
CCG Scotland Ltd*	£19,544,572
The Edinburgh Schools Partnership Ltd	£19,092,723
Willmott Dixon Construction Limited*	£15,525,801
Viridor Waste Management Ltd	£14,616,342
Link Housing Association Ltd	£14,002,559
Pertemps Recruitment	£12,360,406
Edinburgh Leisure	£11,304,455
Castle Rock Edinvar Housing Association Ltd*	£11,263,205
EDF Energy Customers Plc	£10,947,270
Engie Regeneration Limited*	£10,049,878
Dunedin Canmore Housing Ltd*	£9,314,726
Hub South East Scotland Limited*	£8,939,890
McLaughlin and Harvey Limited*	£8,300,480
ASA International Ltd	£7,734,231
Link Group Ltd*	£7,705,095

Kier Construction Limited*	£6,562,253
ASA International Ltd	£6,205,104
Castle Rock Edinvar Housing Association Ltd*	£6,160,889
McGill Electrical Limited*	£6,005,122
The Action Group	£4,514,351
Travis Perkins Trading Company Ltd	£4,505,005
NHS Lothian - Lothian Health Board	£4,483,910
Anglian Water Business (National) Limited	£4,334,326
Leonard Cheshire Disability	£4,292,221
Capital City Partnership Ltd	£4,210,794
Autism Initiatives UK	£4,194,217
Hillcrest Housing Association Ltd*	£4,117,395
Urban Union Limited*	£4,015,813
Call In Homecare Ltd	£3,918,114
Tarmac Trading Limited*	£3,812,264
Siemens PLC	£3,762,605
Carr Gomm Scotland Ltd	£3,646,033
Cameron Guest House Group	£3,590,064

Association Ltd*	
Clark Contracts Ltd*	£5,570,728
O'Hare and McGovern Ltd*	£5,560,949
Engie Regeneration Limited*	£5,381,806
Graham Construction*	£4,976,756
Urban Union Limited*	£4,943,329
Cameron Guest House Group	£4,932,232
Leonard Cheshire Disability	£4,878,454
Capital City Partnership Ltd	£4,666,060
The Action Group	£4,622,611
Autism Initiatives UK	£4,388,717
Travis Perkins Trading Company Ltd	£4,339,918
Port of Leith Housing*	£4,318,877
Call In Homecare Ltd	£4,109,730
Lafarge Tarmac Trading Limited*	£3,862,368
Places for People Scotland*	£3,798,842
P1 Solutions Ltd*	£3,744,751
Hub South East Scotland Limited*	£3,727,045
James Gillespie's Campus	£3,691,109

McGill Electrical Limited*	£7,274,589
NSL Limited	£7,230,500
Graham Construction*	£6,523,014
Cameron Guest House Group	£6,273,589
Maxi Construction Ltd*	£5,508,325
Call In Homecare Ltd	£5,480,867
The Action Group	£5,261,560
Carr Gomm Scotland Ltd	£4,516,997
Anglian Water Business (National) Limited	£4,511,409
Travis Perkins Trading Company Ltd	£4,423,416
Autism Initiatives UK	£4,413,508
Port of Leith Housing*	£4,370,338
Tarmac Trading Limited*	£4,359,798
Capital City Partnership Ltd	£4,292,591
P1 Solutions Ltd*	£4,064,350
Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Ltd*	£3,846,119
FES Ltd	£3,821,148
Community Integrated Care	£3,787,136

Viridor Enviros Scot Ltd	£3,493,542
James Gillespie's Campus Subhub Ltd	£3,471,189
Drummond Grange	£3,402,828
Scottish Police Authority	£3,332,827
Places for People Scotland*	£3,175,929
Freespace Ltd	£3,118,827
Link Group Ltd*	£3,060,348
Total Gas and Power Limited	£3,022,760
Community Integrated Care	£2,983,184
EST Global Services	£2,766,348
Ark Housing Association Ltd*	£2,742,572
Primecare Health Ltd	£2,718,587
Heriot-Watt University	£2,703,950
Ashwood Scotland Ltd*	£2,482,389
Scottish Fuels	£2,459,006
Grand Total	£319,057,650

Subhub Ltd	
Drummond Grange	£3,665,159
Carr Gomm Scotland Ltd	£3,581,525
Total Gas and Power Limited	£3,241,087
Freespace Ltd	£2,913,101
Community Integrated Care	£2,886,118
Siemens PLC	£2,863,437
Scottish Police Authority	£2,785,447
Barnardo's Scotland	£2,767,326
Ashwood Scotland Ltd*	£2,765,409
Hillcrest Housing Association Ltd*	£2,722,816
Easylet Scotland Ltd	£2,621,349
Ark Housing Association Ltd*	£2,580,590
Braid Hills Nursing Centre	£2,537,447
Biffa Waste Services Ltd	£2,527,143
NHS Lothian - Lothian Health Board	£2,523,337
Grand Total	£325,943,934

Hillcrest Housing Association Ltd*	£3,771,331
James Gillespie's Campus Subhub Ltd	£3,717,235
Drummond Grange	£3,689,005
Leonard Cheshire Services CIC	£3,649,247
Siemens PLC	£3,558,224
Total Gas and Power Limited	£3,502,370
NHS Lothian - Lothian Health Board	£3,423,779
Barnardo's Scotland	£3,270,706
Nottingham Rehab Ltd	£3,200,277
Freespace Ltd	£3,005,219
The Thistle Foundation	£2,983,961
Ashwood Scotland Ltd*	£2,901,104
ESH Border Construction*	£2,865,251
James Breck Ltd*	£2,855,576
Easylet Scotland Ltd	£2,815,605
Grand Total	£376,936,324

Item no 5.6

QUESTION NO 6

By Councillor Osler for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

In various parts of the City there is an increasing problem with bins being “raided” by foxes and other vermin. What advice would the Council give residents to help deter the little critters?

Answer

Residents are encouraged to recycle their food waste, to reduce the amount of food waste available for animals and birds to scavenge from general waste bins.

Residents are also encouraged to avoid leaving bags of waste around bins and to [report](#) any bins with damaged lids so they can be repaired and minimise access for vermin.

The webform can be accessed at

http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/20001/bins_and_recycling/992/recycling_boxes_bags_or_bins.

Item no 5.7

QUESTION NO 7

By Councillor Bruce for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

How many requests have there been for garden waste collection out with the registration periods since the Council starting charging?

Answer

This information is not recorded. When a customer contacts the Council to register for the service, they are advised of the dates of the next registration window (20 January 2020 – 4 February 2020).

Item no 5.8

QUESTION NO 8

By Councillor Bruce for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

With the future plan to pedestrianise Waverley Bridge as part of the city centre transformation plan:

- Question** (1) Where do you expect the Airport buses be located?
- Answer** (1) As set out in the City Centre Transformation report approved at Council on 19 September 2019, an integrated operations and management plan for the city centre will be developed. This will include plans for airport and tour bus management.
- The closure of Waverley Bridge to general traffic will be brought forward as part of the emerging Waverley Masterplan.
- Development of plans for this are not yet underway.
- Question** (2) Where do you expect the Tour Buses to be located?
- Answer** (2) As set out in answer 1 above, development of plans for the location of tour buses is not yet underway
- Question** (3) If there is a serious accident/incident on the Mound between the junction of Market Street and Princes Street and that stretch of road is closed to all traffic where will that traffic including buses and Emergency Service Vehicles be diverted to?
- Answer** (3) As set out in answer 1, plans for the closure of Waverley Bridge to general traffic have not yet been developed. However, the Council is committed to working with the emergency services in developing these plans.

Item no 5.9

QUESTION NO 9

By Councillor Lang for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question (1) How many outstanding requests for additional parking restrictions are currently sitting with each locality transport team?

Answer (1)

North East Locality	13 outstanding requests
South West Locality	None
North West Locality	78 outstanding requests
South East Locality	26 outstanding requests

Question (2) What is the current full time equivalent headcount for the central team responsible for traffic regulation orders?

Answer (2) The full time equivalent headcount in the Traffic Orders team is four, although since early October there has been one vacant position which will be filled as part of the on-going Transport Review.

In order to support the roll-out of further Controlled Parking Zones additional capacity has been engaged through the Council's parking contractor, NSL

Question (3) What is the current number of locality reports waiting to be processed by the traffic regulation order team for public consultation?

Answer

- (3) There are currently 27 proposals from the locality teams which have yet to be drafted and advertised for public consultation. This is broken down below:

North East Locality	4
South West Locality	8
North West Locality	11
South East Locality	4

Question

- (4) What is the average turnaround time for the traffic regulation order team to process reports from locality transport officers?

Answer

- (4) The average turnaround time for the Traffic Orders team (from receipt of a traffic regulation order (TRO) proposal from the locality team to it being advertised) is currently 193 days.

The Network Management and Enforcement Improvement Plan which is being developed for Transport and Environment Committee by June 2020 will include actions to address the turnaround time for progressing TROs.

Item no 5.10

QUESTION NO 10

By Councillor Lang for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

How many households paid the garden waste collection charge for 2019/20 but did not receive their permit sticker by the commencement of the new collection year?

Answer

The number of requests for replacement permits received between 30 September and 12 November 2019 totals approximately 1,100. This equates to 1.6% of the households registered for the 2019/20 garden waste service. There may be different reasons why such requests are made to the Council. It is not, therefore, possible to identify how many of these did not receive their original permit by post.

Item no 5.11

QUESTION NO 11

**By Councillor Hutchison for answer
by the Convener of the Finance and
Resources Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 21 November 2019**

- Question** (1) On what date were you first made aware of the extent of structures required to support the Edinburgh's 2019 Christmas Market in East Princes Street Gardens?
- Question** (2) How were you informed (meeting, briefing, email, telephone, in person etc)?
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Answer

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The delay in the redevelopment works associated with the National Galleries of Scotland, which failed to meet their planned completion deadline in April resulted in a briefing with City Centre Councillors and Culture and Communities spokespersons in advance of Committee, on 10 June 2019. For members who were unable to attend this briefing, the Executive Director of Place spoke to them by telephone or face to face in advance of the [June 18th](#) Committee meeting. The briefing for members [on 10 June](#) also covered the need the need to protect the National Galleries landscaping work. A detailed plan of the proposed structure was not available at that time however the Culture and Communities report of 10th September expanded on the requirements to cover the operator's additional costs which were the purpose for the contract extension but only agreed with the condition of a full consultation on the nature and the scale of the event.

Item no 5.12

QUESTION NO 12

**By Councillor Hutchison for answer
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By Councillor Mowat for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

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By Councillor Cook for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

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Item no 5.17

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By Councillor Doggart for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Communities Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

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QUESTION NO 19

By Councillor Whyte for answer by the Leader of the Council at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

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Item no 5.20

QUESTION NO 20

By Councillor Webber for answer by the Depute Leader of the Council at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question (1) On what date were you first made aware of the extent of structures required to support the Edinburgh's 2019 Christmas Market in East Princes Street Gardens?

Question (2) How were you informed (meeting, briefing, email, telephone, in person etc)?

Question (3) Who informed you?

Answer

While layout plans were shared with the Council's Leaders and Conveners and Vice-Conveners of Transport and Environment Committee and Culture and Communities Committee in an emailed briefing by the Director of Place, on 4 September 2019, this did not give an indication of elevations and therefore the extent of required structures was only apparent post construction.

The delay in the redevelopment works associated with the National Galleries of Scotland, which failed to meet their planned completion deadline in April resulted in a briefing with City Centre Councillors and Culture and Communities spokespersons in advance of Committee, on 10 June 2019. For members who were unable to attend this briefing, the Executive Director of Place spoke to them by telephone or face to face in advance of the [June 18th](#) Committee meeting. The briefing for members [on 10 June](#) also covered the need the need to protect the National Galleries landscaping work. A detailed plan of the proposed structure was not available at that time however the Culture and Communities report of 10th September expanded on the requirements to cover the operator's additional costs which were the purpose for the contract extension but only agreed with the condition of a full consultation on the nature and the scale of the event.

Item no 5.21

QUESTION NO 21

By Councillor Whyte for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question

Can the Convener confirm what arrangements are being put in place to communicate

- a) The road closures across the North of the City in early 2020 which are related to different projects?
- b) How the whole picture will be communicated to Edinburgh residents to enable them to plan their journeys efficiently?

Answer

- a) The city-wide traffic management group will continue to identify all planned road closures and will ensure that any conflicts are managed.
- b) A variety of communication methods will be used including publishing information on the Scottish Road Works Commissioner and Council websites. Local letter drops will be used where appropriate, alongside on street advertising. Edintravel and the Council social media feeds will also be used to communicate with residents.

Item no 5.22

QUESTION NO 22

By Councillor Young for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question (1) Please provide information on the number of fines to unauthorised vehicles for the use of bus lanes during their operating hours, for 2019, up to 31/10/2019. Please provide this per location.

Answer (1) Please find below a summary of the charge notices issued for use of bus lanes at each location in the city:

Bus Lane Location	Charge Notices issued
Calder Road (I)	1,440
Calder Road (O)	4,619
London Road	2,588
Prestonfield Avenue	1,624
The Jewel	1,916
Little France Drive	6,987
Kirklands Park Street	780
Shore	2,279
Liberton Road (S) *	5,299
Commercial Street *	5,449
South Gyle Broadway (NW) *	1,453
Slateford Road **	272
Milton Road **	544
Total	35,250

* camera became operational in June 2019

** camera became operational in October 2019

Question (2) If available, please provide information on how many fines are given to 'repeat offenders' who have been fined for driving in the bus lane at least twice

Answer (2) Of the charge notices recorded in the table above, 16,322 were issued to vehicles which have received two or more Bus Lane Charge Notices in 2019.

Item no 5.23

QUESTION NO 23

By Councillor Young for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee at a meeting of the Council on 21 November 2019

Question (1) Please provide the total number of children who have deferred entry into Primary 1 from August 2019 until August 2020. Please provide split of those with a DOB before and after 31 December 2014.

Answer (1) a) 431 January & February birthdays, Automatic Deferrals
b) 100 applications for Aug-Dec birthdays, Discretionary Deferrals

Question (2) For the totals provided at (1), please confirm how many are receiving funded nursery provision.

Answer (2) a) 431
b) 55

Question (3) Please provide the current total number of requests for deferred entry in August 2020 until August 2021. Again please provide split of those with a DOB before and after 31 December 2015.

Answer (3) The closing date for applications for deferred entry for August 2020 is 31 March 2020.

Question (4) For the totals provided at (3), please confirm how many have been advised that they would be eligible for funded nursery provision.

https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/20071/nurseries_and_childcare/1890/defer_entry_to_p1

The above link on the council website provides information for parents on the deferral process. You may also find the following helpful.

To support the decision-making process for granting Discretionary Deferrals, a formal process is in place to

Answer

- (4) enable applications to be considered by professionals from the Early Years and Primary sector as well as Psychological Services. This group uses the Panel discretionary assessment proforma to consider and review each individual application, considering the views of the parent and the child's early years setting. As part of this review, the panel considers the information provided regarding the child's social and emotional development and any other factors which may impact on their progress within a Primary 1 setting e.g. significant developmental delay or speech and language delay. Medical health issues which may impact on a child's progress are also considered e.g. a condition which has led to frequent hospital stays. The panel also reviews the action plan provided by the early years setting, and considers what the nursery feels are the main areas of concern regarding the child's development and learning, what they are currently doing to support the child and what they would plan to do if the child has another year in nursery. Where a nursery supports a request for an additional year at nursery, the panel expects the nursery has followed council procedures in relation to Getting it Right for Every Child and will include GIRFEC paperwork to support the application e.g. records of Child Planning meetings and reports from other professionals supporting the child e.g. Clinical Paediatrician reports, Speech and Language Therapy, or Occupational Health.

The assessment panel will consider if the information contained within the application demonstrates evidence of an additional support need(s) that will be better supported in a nursery environment or a Primary one setting. If the panel concludes that the evidence provided demonstrates the child's needs can be met in a Primary one setting, the parent is notified by letter of the decision not to grant an additional funded year at nursery. Parents can appeal this decision, and a separate panel is held to consider any appeals. This panel reviews the original information along with any additional supporting evidence that may not have been available to the original assessment panel.

Item no 5.24

QUESTION NO 24

**By Councillor Neil Ross for answer
by the Convener of the Finance and
Resources Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 21 November 2019**

The Council has an agreement with Enterprise Holdings to run the Edinburgh Car Club. I understand that the agreement provides for a percentage of the revenues to be shared with the Council.

Question

Please can you identify how much the Council has earned from the Car Club in each of the past five years?

Answer

The contractual arrangement with Enterprise introducing gainshare entitlement became effective from September 2017. Since this time, the Council has earned confirmed entitlement as follows:

2017/18 - £0.010m; and

2018/19 - £0.061m.

Entitlement in respect of 2019/20 is the subject of on-going consideration.