

Budget Consultation Report

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1. Executive Summary

- This year, A total of 165 questionnaires have been completed – 164 came through the council’s online survey platform and 1 via email.
- As the approach to this budget differed from previous years and there were no new savings proposals, respondents were asked to place six key Council policies in order of which they supported most strongly. The proposals receiving strongest support were as follows:
 - additional resources for adults and resident’s social care;
 - investment in a cleaner, greener Haringey;
 - support to tackle violence against women;
 - investment in public assets including the New River Sports Centre and the Civic Centre;
 - investment in council homes;
 - and, strengthening the Council’s infrastructure including investing in digital technology so that we can deliver high quality public services.
- Respondents to the consultation also strongly supported proposals relating to business recovery; insourcing; plans for Council assets; maintenance of drainage and gullies; and, public safety. Residents were asked for any proposals they thought we should not progress. Topics included plans for low traffic neighbourhoods and controlled parking zones; crime and public safety; and, adult social care.
- Residents were asked for any changes or proposals that they would like to see in the future which might save money. Respondents suggested digital transformation; both insourcing and outsourcing our workforce; and implementing revenue raising activity. There were also suggestions about different uses of the Council’s Assets.
- Residents were asked for feedback on any changes or proposals that they would like to see in the future which would help to make Haringey a more equal borough. Responses included comments on engagement with disabled people, accessibility, and investment on advice, early years services, education, housing and access to leisure.

2. Introduction

2.1 Introduction

The budget proposals for **2022/2023** have been subject to a formal public consultation. This report sets out the findings from the Council's consultation on its budget for **2022/23** which also refreshes its Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) to cover the period up to **2026/27**. This report presents the findings of this consultation, to inform the final decision on the Council's budget for **2022/2023**.

2.2 Technical Details & Method

The general consultation consisted of an online questionnaire published on:

<https://www.haringey.gov.uk/local-democracy/policies-and-strategies/your-haringey-your-future> together with a Budget Consultation Booklet which provided background information about the Council's budget setting process and the financial challenges the Council faces. Paper copies were made available at libraries across the borough.

The consultation was widely prompted via the Council's resident magazine, Haringey People Extra, the Council's business e-newsletter, the Council's website, Twitter as well as through various partners.

2.2.1 Questionnaire Design

The questionnaire was developed to ascertain residents' views on the proposals put forward in the budget. In particular, the consultation invited views on the:

- Key Proposals which respondents supported the most.
- Any other Proposals which respondents supported (the consultation also asked respondents to provide their reasoning).
- Any proposals which respondents thought we should not proceed with.
Suggestions on proposals which respondents thought we should include to save money.
- Comments outlining whether respondents thought individuals with Protected Characteristics may be impacted by proposals.

2.2.2 Questionnaire Analysis

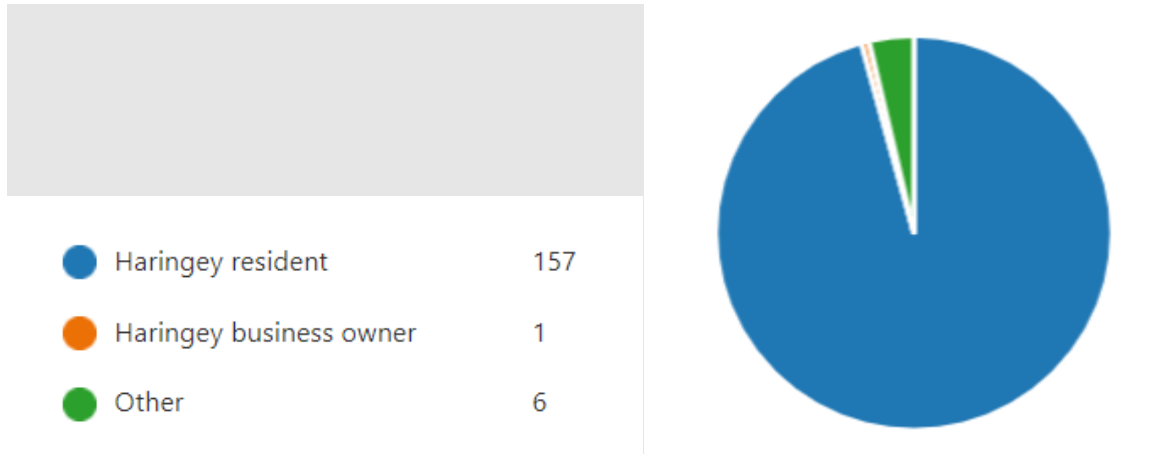
A number of themes arose from the consultation. These are reported in greater detail where they were raised repeatedly by different respondents to the consultation. The number of respondents for other themes were too low to draw any clear conclusions.

2.3 Response to the Consultation

A total of **165** questionnaires have been completed – **164** came through the council's online survey platform and **1** via email.

2.4 Response Profile

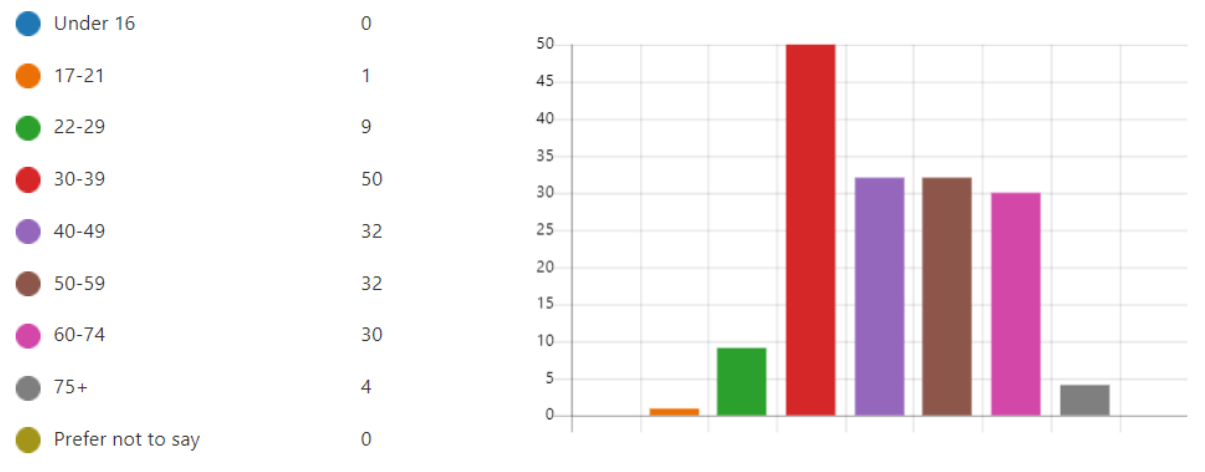
As the graph below depicts, respondents were asked to identify themselves as either: **Residents**, **Business-owners**, or **'other'**. The majority of respondents to this consultation were residents (157). 1 response was received from the business community while 6 respondents selected other.



Which age group applies to you?

The majority of respondents who answered this question were aged between **30-39**.

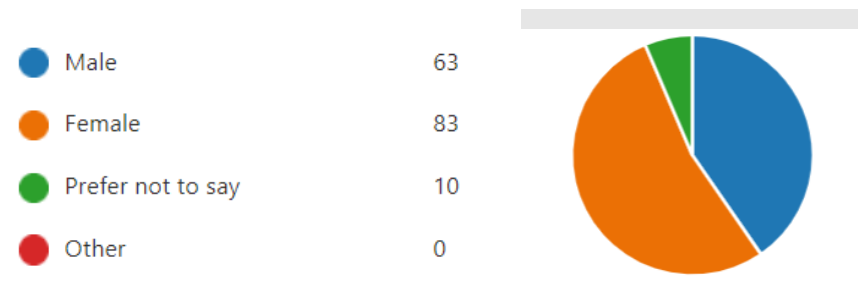
30 respondents selected the **60-74**, while a further 32 individuals self-identified as **40-49**. 9 Respondents selected **22-29**, 4 selected **75+** and 1 selected **17-21**.



What best describes your sex?

This question asked respondents to describe which sex they identify as. The results are balanced with 83 responses from women and 63 from men.

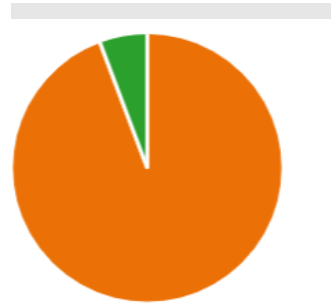
10 respondents preferred not to say.



Do you consider yourself to be Trans?

Trans is an umbrella term to describe people whose gender identity is not the same as, or does not sit comfortably with, the sex they were assigned at birth. The vast majority of respondents (132) selected **No** whilst 3 respondents preferred not to say.

● Yes	0
● No	132
● Prefer not to say	8



Do you consider yourself to be disabled?

This question asked respondents to identify whether they suffer from a disability or had any long-term mental or physical conditions. As the graphs shows, the majority of respondents stated that they **Do Not** have any disabilities (123). 19 respondents did consider themselves to have a disability. 11 respondents preferred not to say.

● Yes	19
● No	123
● Prefer not to say	11

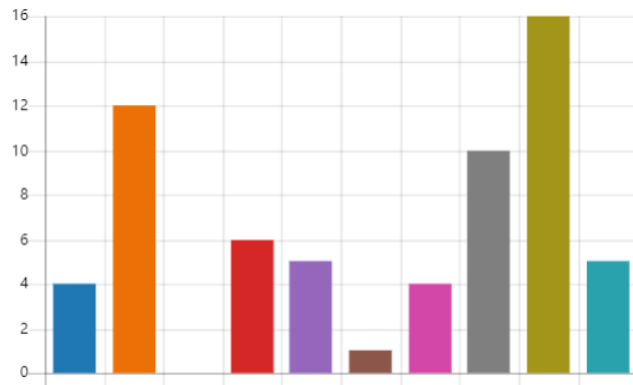


Disability – Which of the following impairment groups apply to you?

From those respondents who identified a disability. 12 respondents suffered from a **physical impairment** or **Long-Term health condition**. There were 6 respondents who had a **hearing impairment**, 5 who had **mental health** issues or suffered **mental distress** and 4 who identified as **neurodiverse**. 4 respondents had a **visual impairment** and 1 suffered from **learning difficulties**.

5 respondents selected other and 16 preferred not to say.

Visual Impairment	4
Physical Impairment	12
Deaf / British Sign Language ...	0
Hearing impairment	6
Mental health / mental distres...	5
Learning difficulties	1
Neurodiverse	4
Long term health condition / ...	10
Prefer not to say	16
Other	5



National Identity – How would you describe your national identity?

The majority of respondents to the Budget Consultation identify as being **British** (64) with 37 people identifying themselves as **English**. There were 10 respondents who selected **Irish**, 3 respondents who considered themselves as **Italian**. 4 respondents selected **Scottish**. 3 respondents selected **Welsh, American and Indian**. 2 respondents selected **Spanish, Australian, Cypriot, French, and Jamaican** respectively.

The following countries were represented by 1 respondent each: **Germany, Lithuania and Turkey**.

Ethnicity – What best describes your ethnic group.

The majority of respondents to the Budget Consultation would describe themselves as being **White British** (67). 5 respondents selected **White Irish** and 1 respondent selected **White Roma** as their ethnicity. 35 selected **Any Other White Background**.

There were 7 respondents described their background as **Black African**, 1 respondent selected a **mixed White and Black African** and 1 respondent selecting a mixed **White and Black Caribbean**. 1 selected another **Black British, African or Caribbean** background.

There were 5 respondents described their ethnicity as **Asian (Indian)**, 1 respondent selected **Asian Chinese** and 1 described their ethnicity as **Asian Bangladeshi**.

There was 1 respondent who described their ethnicity as **Turkish**.

There were 3 respondents who described their background as other.

Sexual Orientation – What best describes your sexual orientation?

There were vast majority of respondents described themselves as **Heterosexual/Straight** (109), 5 respondents selected **Bisexual** and **Gay/Lesbian** respectively.

1 respondent selected other and 25 preferred not to say.

● Heterosexual / Straight	109
● Bi	5
● Gay / Lesbian	5
● Prefer not to say	25
● Other	1



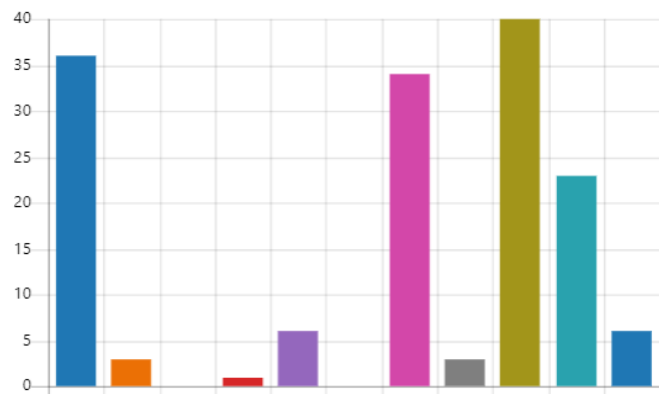
How would you describe your religious belief?

There were 40 respondents who selected **No Religion** and 36 who selected **Atheist**.

There were 34 respondents who selected **Christian**, 6 who selected **Jewish**, 3 who selected **Muslim** and **Hindu** respectively.

There were 6 respondents who selected other with 12 respondents preferring not to say.

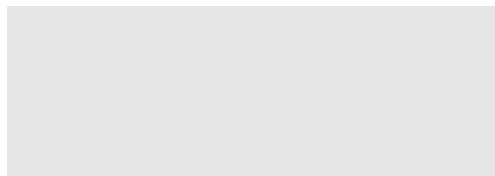
● Atheist	36
● Hindu	3
● Rastafarian	0
● Buddhist	1
● Jewish	6
● Sikh	0
● Christian (including Church of ...)	34
● Muslim	3
● No Religion	40
● Prefer not to say	23
● Other	6



Pregnancy and Maternity

Are you currently pregnant?

133 respondents are not currently pregnant with 12 preferring not to say.



● Yes	0
● No	133
● Prefer not to say	12



Have you had a baby in the last 12 months?

4 respondents have had a baby in the last year. 131 respondents have not with 4 respondents preferring not to say.

● Yes	4
● No	131
● Prefer not to say	11



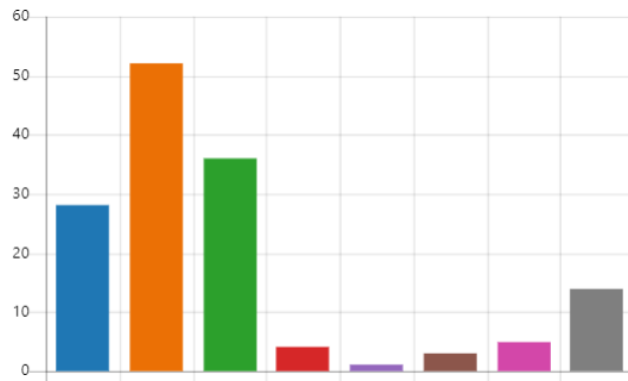
Have you had a baby in the last 12 months?

There were 52 respondents who are **Married**. 28 respondents were **Co-habiting** and 28 are currently **Single**.

There were 5 respondents who are Widowed, 4 residents were in a **Civil Partnership**, 3 were **Divorced** and 1 **Separated**.

There were 14 respondents who preferred not to say.

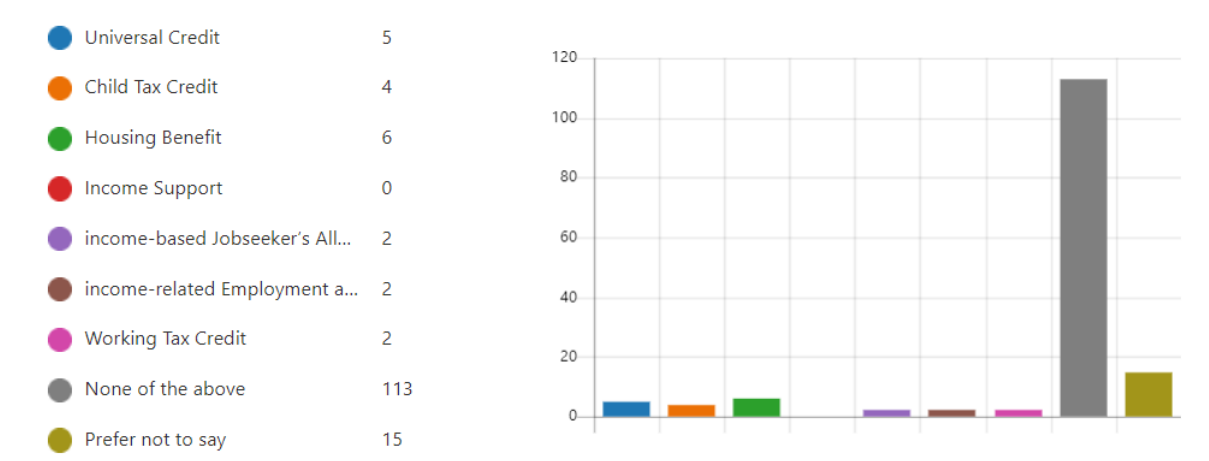
● Single	28
● Married	52
● Co-habiting	36
● Civil Partnership	4
● Separated	1
● Divorced	3
● Widowed	5
● Prefer not to say	14



Socio-Economic status – Are you on any form of Income Support?

The vast majority of respondents (52) were not on any kind of benefits. 5 respondents were on Universal Credit and 6 receive **Housing Benefits**. 4 respondents receive **Child Tax Credits** and there was 2 respondent who selected **Income based Job Seekers Allowance and Income-related Employment Allowance** respectively.

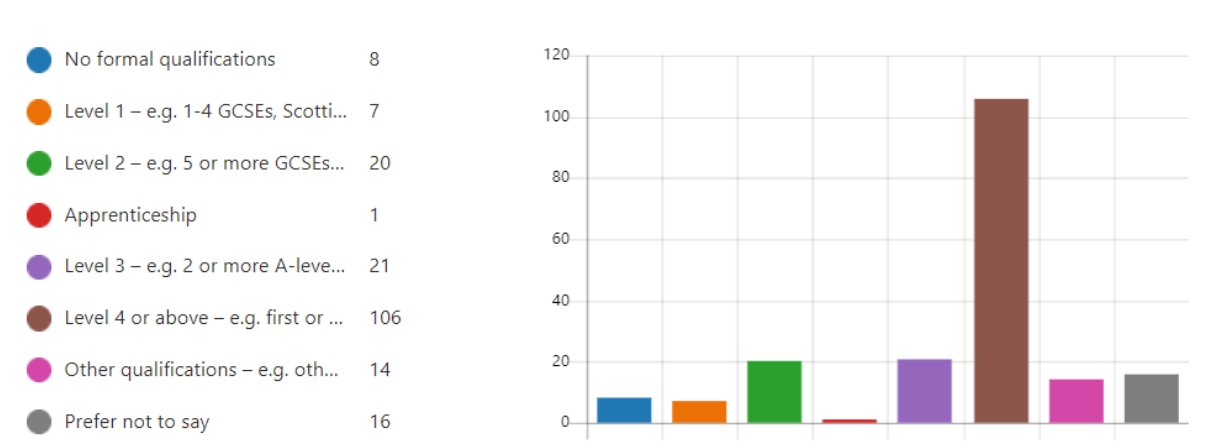
15 respondents preferred not to say.



Socio-Economic status – What is your level of Education?

The majority of respondents had a **level 4** or above education (106). 21 Respondents **selected Level 3** as their level of education. There were 20 for **level 2** and 7 who selected **Level 1**. There were 4 respondents who have **No formal education**.

10 respondents selected other qualifications and 8 respondents preferred not to say.



Preferred language

The majority of respondents selected **English** as their preferred language (135). 6 respondents selected Italian 3 respondents selected **Spanish** and **French** respectively. There was 1 respondent for **Arabic, German, Russian, Gujarati, Somali, Polish** and **Turkish**.

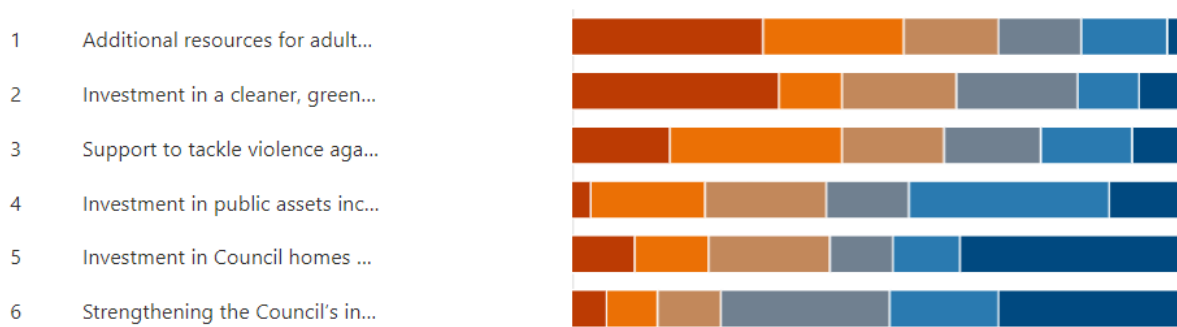
3. Detailed Findings

3.1 Detailed Findings – Q2 – Which proposals do you support most strongly?

Respondents were asked to place six key Council policies in order of which they supported most strongly. Overall, proposals were ranked in the order below:

- 1) additional resources for adults and resident’s social care
- 2) Investment in a cleaner, greener Haringey
- 3) Support to tackle violence against women
- 4) Investment in public assets including the New River Sports Centre and the Civic Centre
- 5) Investment in council homes
- 6) Strengthening the council’s infrastructure including investing in digital technology so we can deliver high quality public services

Investment in a cleaner, greener Haringey received the most first place votes (31.2%), however **Additional resources for Adults and residents social care** was voted higher overall featuring in 70% of residents top 3 issues.



Detailed Findings – Q3 – Is there another proposal which you strongly support not listed above?



Detailed Findings – Q4 – which proposal do you support?

Healthcare	4
Children	3
Environment	8
Infrastructure	1
Housing	3
Civic centre refurbishment	1
Adult Social Care	2
finance	1
Council services	4
Council Assets	2
Public Safety	10
Benefits	4
Organisational Structure	1
Schools	2
Healthcare	2
Roads - cycling	3
Climate Change	1
Roads - CPZ/LTN	3
High streets	3
Business Recovery	5

Crime and Public Safety

There was a general theme in support for any policies that would see investment in tackling crime and community safety. Concerns were raised about gang violence and knife crime in particular with hotspots such as Seven Sisters and Wards Corner mentioned.

“...A fund to tackle gang violence in Haringey. Specifically, the rivalry between the youth of Tottenham and Wood Green”

“...Invest in addressing the antisocial behaviour, particularly at Wards Corner / Seven Sisters station / West Green Road”

Environment

There was support for work to be done on how the Council deals with waste. Investment in parks in the Borough is supported as is the plans for the council’s drainage cleansing and maintenance. There were also positive comments for the Council’s plan for tree planting and wildflowers as part of the council’s Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP)

“...Improved pedestrian connectivity and interconnected green spaces. For example, the waterway on the Haringey Ladder making green spaces more accessible and the streetscape more walkable (improved pedestrian crossings)”

“...More effective recycling and waste management”

Business Recovery

There was a general call for supporting businesses to recover from the pandemic including through the use of Public Health and Employment grants.

“...Supporting businesses to recover from the pandemic”

“...Public Health and Employment grants for businesses”

Detailed Findings – Q5– which proposals do you not support and why?

Environment	3
Infrastructure	1
Housing	1
Digital Services	4
Civic Centre	6
Adult Social Care	2
Finance	1
Council services	4
Council Assets	1
Public Safety	5
Benefits	4
Schools	1
Healthcare	2
Roads - CPZ/LTN	8
High streets	2
Maintenance	2
New builds	1

Roads – LTN/CPZ

Respondents to the consultation sometimes expressed concerns over Controlled Parking Zones and Low Transport Neighbourhoods in their area. Concerns raised included that they felt it did not solve problems of residents parking, help with pollution due to creating traffic jams and were a general annoyance. There were also concerns about them creating a social divide.

“...Low Traffic Neighbourhoods. Pay back the TFL money and abolish plans for the LTNs”

“...LTNs. They concentrate traffic on roads that cannot cope with the additional traffic. They stop emergency vehicles. They reduce property values of homes outside the LTNs”

Civic Centre

Respondents sometimes expressed doubts about the value of plans to develop and refurbish the Civic Centre. A common theme of concern was the cost of the work. Other issues mentioned included it now being surplus to requirements given changes to the way council staff are likely to work in the future and that the money could be spent better elsewhere.

“...Do not progress the £54m civic centre plan that keeps growing in cost”

“...The £54 million you intend to spend on the refurb of the civic centre and unnecessary Annex that has been given the go ahead. COVID 19 has made full time office work a thing of the past. Hybrid working IS the new norm”

Crime and Public Safety

There were concerns over the value of our plan to support to tackle Violence against Women and Girls. Comments highlighted concerns that services would be taken away from day-to-day crime.

“...Violence against women & girls. It’s a statistical fact that men are the biggest victims of violent crime. Treat all genders equally”

“...Giving any money or housing to drug addicts and drug dealers”

Detailed Findings – Q6 – Saving money, income generation and better value from council spend

Residents were asked whether there were any changes or proposals that they thought we should consider in future which might save money, generate income or achieve even better value from council spend. Their suggestions are outlined below:

Healthcare	2
Environment	8
Infrastructure	4
Resident Support	2
Parking	8
Housing	5
Digital Services	9
Civic centre	2
Adult social care	1
Finance	9
Council Assets	5
Public Safety	2

Organisational Structure	8
Schools	1
Roads - CPZ/LTN	4
Business Recovery	3
Maintenance	1
New builds	1
Road safety	2
Economy	3

Digital Services

There were calls for a better use of technology overall within the council in order to make service more efficient and effective. There were also calls to use technology to reduce overheads and staff. It was thought that improvements to the Council’s website would also bring benefits for the community.

“...Consider the digital divide and making services available to those who do not have access to technology”

“...Upgrade of website and platform architecture to deliver better online services and save money in the long term”

Finance

There were various comments on how the Council could manage funds. These including seeking funds from the Government, increasing council tax, seeking opportunities for income generation by running events and to generally incorporate some more “for-profit” schemes into the Council’s services.

“...Income generation from commercial events or filming activities such as unit bases or providing studio space. The film industry is booming and more could be done to attract revenue from it”

“...The council should stand up to government and publicly complain if funding isn’t enough to cover basic standard”

Environment

Comments ranged from asking Tottenham Hotspur FC to aid organise street cleaning and the maintenance of parks, having less waste collections and less grass maintenance in order to save funds, and installing solar panels on people’s rooftops to help cut people’s energy bills.

“...Use green energy employ more people to weed etc instead of using pesticides”

“...The possibility of charging a levy on all car and motor bike users in the borough (all motor vehicles, even if electric, both for personal and professional use) could be thought of, with an exception for disabled residents”

Infrastructure

There were a number of suggestions to invest in infrastructure. Comments included being more selective with projects rather than “vanity projects”. There were also comments looking at the

planning, encouraging partnerships with developers and not letting plans for infrastructure get blocked

“...Bring back partnerships with developers to invest in our neighbourhoods - like the labour council in Hackney who has brought very good quality homes to areas like Woodberry Down”

“...Stop loud minority groups blocking regeneration plans that would bring new homes, business and jobs into the borough to benefit the wider community e.g. Wards Corner”

Detailed Findings – Q7 – Equality

Residents were asked whether they thought there were ways we could narrow the gaps in life chances and opportunities available to different groups of residents in the borough. Their suggestions are outlined below:

Children	1
Environment	7
Infrastructure	6
Resident Support	7
Parking	1
Housing	4
Digital Services	2
Finance	1
Council Assets	1
Public Safety	1
Organisational Structure	1
Schools	11
Roads - CPZ/LTN	2
High streets	1
Economy	4
Resident Engagement	10
Inequality	7
Helping the homeless	1

Resident Engagement

There were many comments on how the Council could work to narrow the equality gap by engaging more with the public to ensure everybody has an opportunity to have a say in how the Council is run. Comments included making a better use of Haringey People and the Council’s relationship with the Bridge Renewal Trust to ensure that residents were kept up to date. There were also comments asking for more engagement with disabled and disadvantaged residents. Respondents also expressed a desire to see more co-production and events which could celebrate people from different backgrounds in the community.

“...Engage more with disabled and disadvantaged residents. Don't assume that you know best, when you carry out consultations take more notice of what residents say”

“...Listen to CLPs and to community groups involved in different areas - racism, rights of disabled people and people with autism. Listen”

Environment

There were different environmental issues where people felt that certain areas of the Borough were worse off than others and addressing this could close the gap between areas. There were comments with regards to which areas have parks and green spaces in them. There were also comments about the impacts of car travel (particularly on those of the population who are well off) and the possibility for looking at the Transport Hubs in the Borough to help combat isolationism and support interconnectivity across Haringey for all residents. There were also suggestions to focus on reducing the domination of cars in general.

"...The negative impacts of car travel - emissions, road casualties, physical inactivity and congestion - disproportionately affect those less well off. More should be done to reduce car travel"

"...It's the little things that matter, create a better environment, less pollution, less speeding cars, clamp down on public disorder"

Infrastructure and investment in local communities

Some respondents to the consultation sometimes felt that changes in the borough risked pushing existing residents out of the borough or widening inequalities, but also felt that there were opportunities associated with new developments, if resulted in benefits to residents. There were comments highlighting the perceived 'over-gentrification' of areas such as Bruce Grove. Suggestions followed for developers to make higher contributions to the communities. Comments also mentioned using these funds for local issues rather than decarbonisation grants.

"...Maybe institute a gentrification tax in Bruce grove. The poor working class are being pushed out of an area they have lived for years. And again, more money needs to be used for poor working-class children, not on decarbonisation grants"

"...Developers should make higher contributions through s106 which would improve revenue. Encourage successful academies to set up school branches here"

Access to advice

Access to professional advice services were seen as a ways of reducing inequality in the borough.

"Access to professional assistance/advice is limited in the poorer areas in the borough."

Access to public services and leisure

Ensuring access to public services and leisure facilities was seen by consultation respondents as a key way to help support the most in need with an aim to being able to close the economic gap between the residents of the Borough. This included suggestions relating to for nursery services along with breakfast and after school clubs along with wider community services.

"...Offer more free things for families living below the poverty line. Free days out, free gym, free swims, free outings, free music lessons, etc"

"...More resources for child day care, schools, youth and community services in the east of the borough"

Education

There were a number of comments about tackling inequalities in educational opportunities for the residents of the Borough. Within these comments was a focus on younger students within deprived neighbourhoods. There was a request for a general raise in the Education budget. There was also an ask to look at tackling the issue with young black boys being expelled from school.

“...More funding for catch up classes for children who have fallen behind during the pandemic must surely be a priority”

Housing and homelessness

Respondents made a number of comments relating to the role of housing in increasing equality of opportunity, including suggesting the use of council assets to accommodate homeless residents. They also suggested more investment in targeted work to street homeless people.

“Targeted work to reduce number of homeless people or rough sleepers that are very apparent on the length of Wood Green high street. In this day and age, the council should be looking at their empty buildings and opening them up as shelters.”

Detailed Findings - Full list of responses

In this section we include all direct responses from the public received in response to the consultation. These are included for further information and transparency.

Q4 – Which proposal do you support?

Increase bin collections
Increase police presence on street
Is there a requirement for so many council buildings too? Restructure & sell off ones not needed
Reviewing Council Teams & Final salaries / pensions. Seems to be hugely inefficient and a huge overhead for the cost.
700,000 for protecting homes from flooding
A fund to tackle gang violence in Haringey. Specifically, the rivalry between the youth of Tottenham and Wood Green. This has gone on for too long and is just as important as the green issue. Which seems to have jumped above the violence that has gone on in Haringey for the last 20 years. We should far angrier that this has been allowed to happen in Haringey.
Acquisition and retention of buildings contributing to a stimulating streetscape/local character of the area (e.g. allegedly redundant police stations), with a view to transforming them to improve provision for the local community e.g. conversions to add to council housing stock; multi-agency drop in centres; arts and skills teaching.
Additional funding for a properly structured, regular gulley clearance programme as proposed by Cllr Chandwani. This is imperative given recent experiences in the Borough.
Additional resources for adult and children's social care
Anything else is a want,
Basic needs to support life are food, water, warmth and a roof over one's head.
Be involved in mitigating the danger of the reorganisation of CCGs to Integrated Care Systems and Integrated Care Boards.
Beware of increased privatisation - private interests on ICBs.
Bin collection every week instead of fortnight
Bringing services 'in house' i.e., council employing its own workforce in housing maintenance, rubbish collection etc
Capital investments in our schools - such as the long promised not delivered fortismere sixth form block.
clean the drains

Cleaning the drains
Clear the drains!!!!
Clearing blocked drains to prevent severe flooding to residential homes and businesses as seen in the last few years.
Clearing the drains.
Community building
Council homes
Council needs to be more concerned about healthcare and social care.
Current CPZ renewal & parking permits process not fit for purpose
Cycling / walking paths, LTNs and pedestrianized zones
Cycling and removing passing traffic through Tottenham
Deal with recycling especially of glass. I do not believe the council recycles properly
Does everyone in Haringey have their needs met?
Drain cleaning
drain clearance
Drain clearing. Fly tipping.
Drainage clearance
Drainage to ensure no more flooding
Education about climate change, adapting Haringey to the changes that will come as a result. Flooding prevention should be using latest environmental methods such letting rivers have more natural edges (see studies in Wales as examples). Also fly tipping and the impact it has on community.
Ensure all residents' basic needs are met i.e. food, warmth, water and a roof over their heads. Anything else is a want and has lower priority.
Flood defences e.g. drain clearing
Flood mitigation and drain cleaning.
Flood prevention, tackling violent crime and anti-social behaviour, more youth services
Flood protection, it's only going to get worse. Drains to be cleaned out/unblocked. Infrastructure works to bottom end of Moselle near Creighton Road allotments which causes terrible flooding. Last summer the flood was very fast and very dangerous.
Flooding prevention
Flooding protection
Flooding protection
Flooding protection

Funding for the cleaning of drains to prevent unnecessary flooding
Gullies and Drainage
I came on here to support the proposal on drains but it was not listed. This consultation is leading residents to support their preferred proposals. Sham
I cannot see anything in the proposal about libraries and museums other than the pop up idea
I fully support Cllr Seema Chandwani's proposed annual budget for regular, coordinated gulley and drain clearing across the borough. This is critical given recent flooding events and to comply with statutory obligations.
Improve roads and traffic flow, ban LTNs and stop part time road closures.
Improved pedestrian connectivity and interconnected green spaces. For example the waterway on the Haringey Ladder making green spaces more accessible and the streetscape more walkable (improved pedestrian crossings)
Improvement in Send and Youth Justice facilities at operational level
Improving leisure centre resources such as Tottenham green leisure centre which is run appallingly badly by the current contract holder!
In order to support a greener Haringey, there is an urgent need to insulate Council houses and tackle energy waste
Increase public health provision.
Install lights between the entrance into Finsbury Park and tennis courts - it's unsafe and scary to walk there as a lone female, especially in winter.
Invest in addressing the antisocial behaviour, particularly at Wards Corner / Seven Sisters station / West Green Road.
Invest in broader services which benefit all residents, such as our high streets, less cars and through traffic, healthier air and less noisy environment.
Invest in high streets to make them fun destinations, not just for shopping. Remove betting and pound shops and replace with interesting activity and community facilities
Investing in better cycle paths as opposing to the existing bikes painted on roads that are often used as parking spaces.
Investing in the drainage systems
Investment in facilities and services for families
Investment in libraries
Investment in mental health support
Investments in public assets parks...
Money should not be wasted on the civic centre apart from routine maintenance, this is a shameful waste of public money when essential services are depleted. This money should be put into all those services you are demanding extra money on our council tax for. Go back to basics and get priorities right for local residents as you are employed to do. Take more notice of the way your residents are suffering and direct the resources there. Do to pretend increases in council tax are for social issues then waste it on the civic centre. Don't ignore people the way you have over LTN's. This is not acceptable from a council

More budget for drain cleaning and maintenance
More effective recycling and waste management.
More financial support for schools. Schools in the east of the borough should be able to stay on for the sixth form at their school, not have to change if they don't want to.
More flood supports; investment in more LTNs
More investment in flooding prevention.
More on walking and cycling infrastructure and bus priority measures
More police presence on the streets.
No gambling shops. there are a lot of gambling shops on Tottenham. How the council let that happen. Can you please provide youth clubs?
Pavements and toads
Please help with the flooding in Haringey, especially around Park Road/Victoria Stakes area N10.
Public Health and employment grants for businesses
Reducing street crime and increasing feeling of safety
Repair streets and pavements, maintain drains clean. Enforce a certain cohesive look to outside of businesses on high streets. Create more space for pedestrians on high streets. Build more children's playgrounds
Research in to LTN in the east of the Borough.
RESIDENTS ENGAGEMENT, WHICH WILL NOW BE APART OF HC.
Resources and funds support for Carers and young people with mental health issues. Mentors, days out, support groups, Carers funding for days for carers to be pampered etc.
Road Casualty Reduction for cycling infrastructure
SEN - currently local offer is not existing. It would be great if local offer is actually working.
Support for people tackling knife crime.
Support for unemployed underprivileged people.
supporting businesses
Supporting businesses to recover from the pandemic
Tackling crime in general, particularly around Seven Sisters
Take social care in-house as much as possible.
That all existing proposals are treated equally
The building of council houses for rent.
the crime on local estates is becoming ridiculous
The Highways Drainage Cleansing and maintenance proposal. Our house was flooded last year due to the lack of drain maintenance. It has caused us a lot of worry and stress and we have only recently been able to move home. The drains need to be properly and proactively maintained to prevent this happening to other families.
The problem of drains not being cleaned and flooding when bad rain. Corner of Broad Lane and High Road for example
Tree planting and wildflower planting
Unblock the drains

Unblocking the drains.
You should be monitoring council houses repair. My neighbours had cladding for more than 6 months and there were only a couple of days of work
Youth clubs, sports centres for young people to be off the streets.
Youth work programs, affordable housing

Q5 - Are there any proposals you think we should not progress and why?

"Support to tackle violence against women and girls" I believe that should be slightly changed to support to tackle all violence regardless of gender or sex, this will help us to build a fair community!
£20m for road maintenance, £8m for reducing casualties. Reduce road maintenance and increase reducing casualties. Spending the other way around would be my suggestion - £8m on road maintenance £20m on casualty reduction.
All of the above are crucial in providing decent social care for residents in need
Also the money cutting off streets causing congestion is not only unnecessary money as it will cause more pollution with cars stack in traffic.
C P Zs are very unpopular and do not solve problems of residents parking. They only annoy the tax payers you should be getting onsite.
Civic centre - the council has many other buildings and more people are working from home. The council should make it surplus to requirements
Crime and HMOs
Decorating shop fronts for the sake, a complete waste of money, shame on you Haringey
Do not progress the 54m civic centre plan that keeps growing in cost.
don't see the relevance of the Civic Centre
Giving any money or housing to drug addicts and drug dealers.
How has Adult Social Care increased yet again, even in light of COVID-19 deaths hitting mainly the old?
I feel it is ok for the parks to look nice but is not necessary, the money could go to better causes
I support investment in digital transformation but think it needs to be offset with savings elsewhere, offices and physical council infrastructure for example. Similarly I support investment in social care but think that should be strategic, supporting new models of care and investing in preventative services.
I think all of these proposals are hugely important and need adequate funding.
I think that social care and the nhs are being enormous budgets (especially during covid) to the detriment of other services. Local businesses cannot survive. Council tax incredibly high for very little actual council help during the pandemic. I'm incredibly disappointed overall

In all honesty, all the tech update stuff you've done recently has been a disaster - e.g. the parking permits updated website has made it impossible for us to re-order permits. So I wouldn't make that a priority - other than fixing the mess that's already there.
internal digital infrastructure.... Getting the right staff structure in is more important
Invest in Rubbish disposal because this is really going down the drain in Haringey! Only one pick up every two weeks will encourage vermin and is a health risk.
Investment in cleaner greener Haringay. This just means messing with the roads & making life more difficult
Low Traffic Neighbourhoods. Pay back the TFL money and abolish plans for the LTNs. Stop prioritising and spending so much money on walking and cycling initiatives, this is not helpful or feasible for a huge proportion of residents, especially the disabled and elderly.
LTN (Low Traffic neighbourhood) in the borough are causing more traffic and pollution and they simply move traffic from one road to another. They do not work and a lot of money has been wasted on this.
LTNs will be a complete disaster, I know these are funded by the DofT but they are a crazily bad idea. We had all the trial we need when Wightman Road was closed/filtered during the Bridge works a few years ago. It was a complete and utter nightmare. Similar to the hideous trial in Crouch End. In my opinion the idea of LTNs are flawed, we live in London a brilliant and diverse city, not a village.
LTNs. They concentrate traffic on roads that can not cope with the additional traffic. They stop emergency vehicles. They reduce property values of homes outside the LTNs
More housing - there are already lots of developments being built in overcrowded areas (Tottenham)
No
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No - all of them are important, but it depends what the actual result of some of these proposals are, they are vague.
No LTN. If you are investing on LTN please do not do it before further consultations. LTN produce more air pollutions rather than reducing, because there will be traffic jam, cars will be on traffic more, thus consume more petrol and produce more pollution. I read all news about LTN in Hackney and Islington and traffic is worse there now.
No they are all essential

no.
over investment in one specific area. The 'nodal' strategy doesn't improve sustainable, walkable, bikeable city life, and increases longer distance transport habits. We should not over invest in making Wood Green a hub for all activity but look at investing in things like street cars to services linear and equitable access and high-street investment. Look to sustainable (and CHEAPER) options to increase connectivity for women, children, the elderly and people with disabilities through transport like streetcars as opposed to making buys destination hubs that service suburban commuting.
public assets could be put on hold during this winter and the money spent on public needs.
Refurb if the civic centre. Money should be spent on something that benefits residents and businesses more directly.
Refurbishing and extending the civic centre. Low traffic/ quieter neighbourhood proposals MUST be rethought for a more intelligent solution as they do nothing but increase social divide and increase pollution and congestion.
Revitalise Wood Green high street to help boost local economy. It's clear in future people will limit their commute for work and will want to spend their income locally. Please create a place for locals to spend their money locally.
Significant investment in our school buildings - £105m. Perhaps a little less and make a MTFS against this.
Strengthening council's digital services
Tackling violence ...this has got to be a joke...what about violence against men ,what about most deaths that come from male violence is men ,,sort out your equality
The £54 million you intend to spend on the refurb of the civic centre and unnecessary Annex that has been given the go ahead. COVID 19 has made full time office work a thing of the past. Hybrid working IS the new norm. So the refurb work is totally unnecessary. You are supposedly the party of the working class, all that money could be used to do so much good for the poor working class people in Tottenham.
The development of LTNs
The drive to allow property development around Tottenham Hale is swamping local services. Maybe, reduce the amount of permitted development within such close proximity of one another?
Time to stop punishing drivers
VAWG as money better spent supporting services to do this work
Violence against women & girls. It's a statistical fact that men are the biggest victims of violent crime. Treat all genders equally.

You should review the proposed highway maintenance spend and look to spend less on resurfacing roads specifically, except where this is safety critical. This comes at a high cost and makes no material difference to people's incentives to use different modes of travel. If you must spend on road maintenance for cars, this funding should come through surcharges on residential parking permits and pay and display, as they are the primary beneficiary of this investment.

Q6 – Whilst this budget includes no new savings proposals, the future funding position of the council remains uncertain. Are there any changes or proposals you think we should consider in future which might save money, generate income or achieve even better value from council spend? E.g. through greater use of innovative technology.

Could tip waste management team
Donate extra for library services
Invest to Do the statutory work well instead of putting money into fluffy stuff like the single person hub in Tottenham which is just a vanity project
Optional charge for park usage which could help pay for maintaining toilets
All council owned lawns, grass verges, green roundabouts etc to be left to grow and mown only twice a year to increase biodiversity and cut back on maintenance costs of monthly mow.
Ask Boris to come up with some money after all it is the government's responsibility to fund the councils with our taxes.
Better use of technology and using Haringey residents to fulfil Haringey contracts.
Bring back partnerships with developers to invest in our neighbourhoods - like the labour council in Hackney who has brought very good quality homes to areas like Woodberry Down. This would help with the infrastructure levy into Haringey. At the end of the day no one benefits from run down ghetto neighbourhoods.
Consider the digital divide and making services available to those who do not have access to technology
Consult more with vulnerable groups mental health for young vulnerable adults etc
Could we use some council assets to hold markets, festivals, etc.
Council tax should be raised to provide services to Haringey residents. I don't expect my council to run for profit schemes, even worthy ones. Obviously good management is needed both to prevent waste and to ensure services are well provided.
cut business rates for shops and independent retailers

<p>Cutting council service budgets ultimately leads to other costs down the line (such as those relating to poverty, poor health, badly maintained environment). Therefore I do not support cuts to council budgets and hope the council is doing all it can to lobby central government with other London boroughs.</p>
<p>Deal with council debt and stop wasting money on ridiculous schemes like new logos silly decorations</p>
<p>ditch the new CPZ in Muswell hill</p>
<p>Do statutory body staff pay business rates to park on Council property?</p>
<p>Don't spend lots of money on logos</p>
<p>Employing a direct labour force first to carry out repairs on council properties and longer term to build council homes yourselves.</p>
<p>Ensure any empty properties including flats above shops don't stay empty. Fines if not used</p>
<p>Evict all drug addicts and drug dealers from council properties.</p>
<p>Exactly more resources in the area of digital technology to make the services more efficient and effective</p>
<p>Fines for street urinating especially by Seven Sisters Tube, High Road, Earlsmead Road</p>
<p>Flatten the management pyramid and spend savings on social care.</p>
<p>Focus on the development of employability skills and education. The school attainment results of secondary schools on the East side of the borough.</p>
<p>Help organise street cleaning that residents could get involved in and also the same for helping to maintain parks. For revenue - higher charges to the Tottenham Football club for post match cleaning, etc. since the managed to get a stadium without building another tube line. Also developers - why are they not charged more as part of s106 and infrastructure contributions? Please action this given the amount of development in Tottenham</p>
<p>Higher parking charges, both residential and pay and display</p>
<p>I would like to see the council invest in preventative infrastructure and environmental measures e.g. new and existing builds to include solar panels, triple glazing. Also use some of that parking ticket revenue to adapt our street lighting to include electric vehicle charging points; this would use existing street furniture instead of cluttering up our roads with yet more unsightliness and reduce our carbon foot print.</p>
<p>I'd support less regular waste collections in an effort to go greener and save money. Aware some other councils have done this.</p>

If the future funding of the council remains uncertain why are you planning to waste money with unessential works at the civic centre, when that money can be of much greater use and impact on essential services? Getting priorities right, ones that put your residents first and foremost will achieve better value and save money that would otherwise be for an ego project. You are throwing away money that is supposed to be used to 'narrow the gaps in life chances and opportunities for different groups of residents in the borough'.

In the long term this would attract more families and working people which builds the tax base for the council.

Incentivise the small businesses to open on the high street on Bruce grove. Grants for creative businesses. Put speed cameras around Tottenham Hale and Northumberland park, and start fining people. Allocate more enforcement officers to put parking fines on illegally parked vehicles in the evening.

Income generation from commercial events or filming activities such as unit bases or providing studio space. The film industry is booming and more could be done to attract revenue from it.

Increase on street parking charges especially in the west of the borough.

Increase the Zonae car park annual levy and subsidise and encourage use of Zip cars.

install solar panels on rooftops of willing households rooftops and garages to generate income from national grid, perhaps give the householder 25% off annual their electricity bills but install panels free of charge.

Interactive multi use public spaces, i.e. local market, even spaces for youths and local community programs

Introduce cameras to enforce speed limits

Invest in circular economy ideas and technologies.

Invest in infrastructure so people can talk to council staff.

less grass mowing throughout the borough, let it grow!

Less money spent on LTN's and cycle and walking schemes. Please get into your heads, a VAST amount of people do not, and will not cycle. And I hate to hark back to this, but working class people DO NOT CARE about LTN's and active walking and cycling. I have spoken to many working class people like myself, and unequivocally beyond a shadow of a doubt, they do not care about this. They want something that is tangible and impactful that will raise them out of poverty, not LTN'S.

Less outsourcing of council services

Look deeper into preventative maintenance rather than wasting money on fixing things later

Look for opportunity to monetise some parts of services or to add the ability to "tip"

More active parking controls. Raise cost of residential permits and base on vehicle weight as well as emissions.

More children and youth centre and invest on care for elderly people.
More council house,
More insourcing.
More services move to online
More speed tickets, fly tipping monitoring and enforcing
Moving towards computer based solutions for as many tasks as possible
No
Not just technology, but valuing people skills .
Not sure
R&D is key, and i believe that as it states that the funding of the council remains uncertain, its in the council and residents interest to spend the funds wisely.
Reduce management numbers and use savings to be used to increase services
Reduce the number of HMOs and focus on family homes and improving the quality of homes through more levy on landlords (especially if they have a large portfolio).
Restructure of staff to free up / sell unrequited buildings (less rent/maintenance/staffing burden) + potential sale income if sold
Review your business process - find the bottlenecks and eliminate them - look at the workflow solutions
Run more for-profit schemes and events.
See above answer. Save a fortune by not implementing the LTNs, they will only benefit a small proportion of residents, depending on where you live and will inconvenience the majority, whether they are car owners or not. They are not the answer to air pollution.
Sell off council homes to council tax paying residents
Sell off more of the Council's assets. Ideally to build more houses.
So add an online payment option to reward good service and this could go in a pot and use for extras
Solar panels to be installed free of charge on houses to generate income from national grid.
Stop loud minority groups blocking regeneration plans that would bring new homes, business and jobs into the borough to benefit the wider community e.g. Wards Corner.
Stop using contractors who make profits. Direct labour to carry out maintenance of estate. Remove levels of in needed management. Manage staff better
Stop wasting money on offices that you don't need.
Stop wasting money on paying far too much on buying overpriced office buildings ,just stop all nonsense building projects like Wood Green civic centre, stop all Haringey vanity projects
Stopping private sector in social care and healthcare would be cost effective in long run - focus would be on health and care not profit.

-Streetcars (they generate investment along the route and payback the cost through property and sales taxes - look at Portland Oregon as a case study). They are sustainable and would set a precedent for London's transportation future. Look for Linear or circular routes that connect communities for example run a streetcar line from Wood Green along Green Lanes past Finsbury Park up A103 to Crouch End and back to Wood Green.
Stronger existing law enforcement through fines (parking, driving, fly tipping and general nuisances) . You should see Berwick Road on a Saturday night.. A good way to fund the council!
Tech to reduce staff
Technology should be used to save time and support be given to those that require it
The council can cut costs and generate income for the local economy by bringing as many contracts in-house, procuring services locally, and getting out of costly PPI contracts.
The Council has already raised parking charges but should maybe revisit this.
The council should stand up to government and publicly complain if funding isn't enough to cover basic standards
The possibility of charging a levy on all car and motor bike users in the borough (all motor vehicles, even if electric, both for personal and professional use) could be thought of, with an exception for disabled residents.
The seeing through of the new digital programmes discussed to improve effectiveness. Also, an improvement in the support services available to new and developing businesses.
There are a lot of inactive adults living in my area, helping people getting into work would help.
This brings in revenue
to double check if the people who are entitled to receive benefits are really entitled for that and there are no frauds or scams out in place to steal the public money.
Upgrade of website and platform architecture to deliver better online services and save money in the long term.
Use green energy employ more people to weed etc instead of using pesticides
Wider use of parking charges, road pricing and cameras to detect driving offences.
You would save a few quid if the parking permits (resident and visitor) went digital. Likewise, if council properties were better maintained for small measures, major refurbishments may well be less frequent

Q7 – we also have a commitment and responsibility to make Haringey a more equal borough. In considering our proposals, please let us know if you think there are ways

that we can narrow the gaps in life chances and opportunities available to different groups of residents in the borough.

Engage more with disabled and disadvantaged residents. Don't assume that you know best, when you carry out consultations take more notice of what residents say.
Run your own version of Sure Start. Focussing on our youngest children and their families is the best way to tackle long term inequality.
Run good schools, manage childrens' services to prevent deprivation, offer help/support services for vulnerable groups e.g. youth services but housing has to be a priority
Stop excluding young black boys from school. Schools should not be able to exclude the proportion of the schools population without oversight from an independent third party. And council should provide paid apprenticeships and internships. As well as more opportunities for entry into trades for those not academically inclined.
An issue for the Bridge Renewal Trust members
Make meeting in different languages. Some people do not know how to use zoom or digital technology, so many people cannot attend online meeting. Lack of language and lack of having digital skills knowledge are the barrier for BAME people.
Secure better investment via S106 agreements that benefit the existing community
Feed poorer students 365 days a year, help foodbanks by trying to co-ordinate support of businesses and the foodbanks, support businesses by introducing 20 minute car parking spaces
Street Cars! As above. Node transport hubs are isolationist. Interconnectivity, Walkability, Sustainability.
Fix the Haringey borough website and set up a news alert app so people in the community can track what is going on outside and start having conversations about how to make the community a more equitable place to live.
Am glad to see directing funding to tackling VAWG being made a priority, similar (and proportional) funding could also be spent on reducing violence based on sexual orientation and identity. Also the climate crisis affects poorer residents more, there could be a focus on combatting that.
The only thing that stops people from having the same chances as others is money ,,The top 1 percent need to start sharing but we all know that's not going to happen
Youth support for knife crime and crime in general.

Targeted work to reduce number of homeless people or rough sleepers that are very apparent on the length of Wood Green high street. In this day and age, the council should be looking at their empty buildings and opening them up as shelters.

You need to see domestic abuse as less gendered- you still mention VAWG when all the research suggests that violence against males is as prevalent, but better hidden

Poverty is the problem rather than inequality, investing in education and STEM programs will be really beneficial if the goal is to be more "equal", by allowing every resident in Haringey to have the possibility to have good education and STEM programs, the community can build up that can later on be applied in the workplace and in the community, we create a better and more "equal" society if the members of the community succeed financially hence creating a stronger middle class, that allows all to be more equal. :)

One online database of all services (health, social care, etc) and how to access them. A regular guide in Haringey People magazine (which goes to all households) could be published and would include the website address. Possibly this website could have translation abilities?

Address the stark racial inequalities in the borough. Look at the clean tree-lined streets in 'white' areas such as Highgate & Muswell Hill v's the derelict buildings, graffiti and antisocial behaviour on the streets at Seven Sisters.

Encourage local outsourcing to small businesses. Are there ways to increase this under UK law?

How come there's no decent parks/investment in parks / public spaces up in Muswell Hill?

Focus on the younger people and education at primary and secondary schools. Introduce more opportunities for children on the East side of the borough; the exposure to tennis and the work of Haringey music service is great and we need more of that to improve the prospect of the children coming from deprived and workless households. Educate single and young parents and create positive support groups for them.

Theresa May has demolished most of the community resources during her short reign by cutting funding. We need more community centres where especially young people can have a safe place to go and good youth workers that can help them to develop. She also has made big cuts in providing services for people with disabilities. This needs to be looked at!

Access to professional assistance/advice is limited in the poorer areas in the borough. Many organisations who are trying to narrow the gap themselves have a narrow view of the residents' expectations and what can be achieved; hence very little changes over time.

I think more support should be given to perpetrators and potential perpetrators of domestic violence, I know this sounds counterintuitive, but I feel if they're given better access to therapeutic and social support, this might reduce the impact they have on their families.

Invest in local education

Free breakfast/after school clubs only for working parents

women and girls are important. Single sex spaces are incredibly important.

Work with more Grass route organisations listen, encourage more large companies to come to Haringey , less deluxe flats more affordable homes. Better communications , better understanding , from councillors . Come and see what is going on . Residents Association. Tenant Advocates community projects.

Stop the divide between Crouch end / Highgate / Wood Green/ Tottenham

More joined up thinking .

To be genuine in your proposals with regards to this issue starting with a more effective and sincere approach to coproduction.

Hold more local events geared to celebrating the different communities and ethnic backgrounds, every month a new ethnic even

More fund into education and increasing chances of employment

Offer more free things for families living below the poverty line. Free days out, free gym, free swims, free outings, free music lessons, etc

Increase the education and training budget

1. Use of Haringey People magazine. 2. Involve the Bridge Renewal Trust membership to promote a directory of services website and keep it up to date. This information to be published in every edition of Haringey People magazine.

More funding for catch up classes for children who have fallen behind during the pandemic must surely be a priority.

Would be good to see more free activities for children out of term time - the new river leisure centre activities that were free for those who couldn't afford it but not for others is a good model. And measures to support new parents - what does good look like - some parents need more advice / support / intervention than others. Some of the recent child abuse cases have been harrowing.

By procuring locally to support local business, by investing in youth programmes (such as schemes to link young people to local business to provide work experience), by unlocking council owned assets for the temporary or permanent use by local businesses and initiatives to trial and start projects that benefit local communities.

This has to done by more resources for innovation in schools and infrastructure in and maintenance of communal areas like parks and community centres. Every new development must include a communal meeting place so people can get together socially and to organise. More support for all the many solidarity/support groups existing in Haringey.

redistribute council tax

Listen to CLPs and to community groups involved in different areas - racism, rights of disabled people and people with autism. Listen.

Maybe institute a gentrification tax in Bruce grove. The poor working class are being pushed out of an area they have lived for years. And again more money needs to be used for poor working class children, not on decarbonisation grants!!!! Put more resources to level up Tottenham so it is comparable to Muswell Hill and Crouch End

Bring investment in from developers & attract actual businesses to setup here and employ people - good housing, education and safety from gangs comes when investment comes in to spend on helping people.

If the council has no money constantly, how can you help the poorest people?

Low traffic neighbourhoods have proven in Enfield to increase the social divide, increase gaps in life chances and opportunities and DECREASE quality of life for the vast majority of residents especially those already disadvantaged, the elderly and disabled. They have proven to increase isolation, mental health issues and increase pollution. Therefore if you go ahead with LTN's (because you're trying to please Enfield) to are being hypocritical and going against 'your commitment and responsibility to make Haringey a more equal borough'.

Anyone who doesn't own a car is disadvantaged by the hostile environment engendered by permitted pavement parking, speeding, narrow pavements, broken pavements, almost non-existent bike infrastructure.

Better opportunities to schools and children is lesser privileged areas to provide more equal opportunities in education

Developers should make higher contributions through s106 which would improve revenue. Encourage successful academies to set up school branches here

Action against cars, especially large expensive SUVs, would be equitable.

Still a huge difference between those that have and have not. No more High Rise apartments unaffordable for local residents

Evict all drug addicts and drug dealers from council properties.

Progressively reduce the domination by the motor car of the borough environment.

Every resident is of equal value so employ people on merit not for positive discrimination. Should always employ the best person for the job.

Include all nationalities.

The negative impacts of car travel - emissions, road casualties, physical inactivity and congestion - disproportionately affect those less well off. More should be done to reduce car travel

More youth services, mixing communities and housing council tenants in the new developments instead of in separate council blocks, creating more job opportunities, not giving licenses to gambling shops, better mental health services, more community events, creating safe spaces e.g. in parks

By using grassroot entities to better interact with local communities.

More investment and attention to Northumberland park - cleaning up the area, LTNs and reviewing so many tenanted properties without enough waste provisions

It's the little things that matter, create a better environment, less pollution, less speeding cars, clamp down on public disorder. Use technology better to eradicate dumping across the Borough. Councillors need to be more visible and not just posting on Twitter. HMOs are a bigger problem than you think, 8 to a house, those renting tenants do not care, there is a knock-on effect on the streets and neighbourhoods.

More supported employment opportunities

It is more a role of central government to adjust its fiscal policy. Implementing a landlord licensing scheme with actual checks of the housing stock would be great. Equality starts with dry and safe place to live.

Rein in estate agents.

Free nursery for all 2 year olds, free school meals for all.

Free nursery/childcare for all 2 year olds

More accommodation for the homeless and permanent help for those reliant on food banks, help with energy costs etc.

Stop approving all the betting shops in the east of the Borough compared to the west.

