

This Council also recommends that:

- The Cabinet review the council's plan and associated strategies in working and engaging with Private sector Landlords and Social housing providers in Slough to ensure better outcomes for our residents.
- The Cabinet also reviews the Council's readiness and ability to implement the requirements of Awaab's Law for social landlords; as well as enforce and promote strengthened protections under the new renters' rights legislation, including taking firm action against rogue landlords."

B) Public Realm Improvements to Slough

(Moved by Councillor Escott, seconded by Mohammad)

"This Council resolves;

1. To acknowledge that residents deserve a clean, safe, and well-maintained public realm environment, and accept that persistent complaints have been raised regarding upkeep and maintenance of public spaces, shrubbery and grass verges, the poor state of roads within Slough and increasing incidents of fly-tipping and littering.
2. To note with dismay that despite introducing a new policy for litter fines, Slough Council did not issue any fines for littering in the last year. Council urges the administration to urgently address this and ensure the policy is being implemented in full.
3. To express its disappointment that under the Conservative administration, Slough Council has been rated 'red' by the Department of Transport as failing to meet the minimum standards in repairing potholes and general road maintenance.
4. To note that inconsiderate parking coupled with overgrown and poorly managed hedges and shrubbery contribute to unsafe pedestrian access for all residents, with a particularly heavy impact on disabled residents and parents with pushchairs.
5. To request the administration to undertake a borough-wide audit of public places to identify areas in need of improvement, including pavements, highways, parks and play spaces covering safety, maintenance, lighting, signage, accessibility and cleanliness.
6. To request the administration to develop and publish a Public Realm Improvement strategy within 6 months for the Scrutiny Committee to consider. This should include, but not be limited to, maintenance of green spaces, play spaces, highways management, pedestrian access, flytipping and littering, street cleaning and enforcement."