

Wiltshire Council

Full Council

18 October 2022

Item 18 – Members’ Questions

From Councillor Ian Thorn, Calne Central

**To Councillor Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for
Climate Change, MCI, Economic Development, Heritage, Arts, Tourism and
Health & Wellbeing**

Question (22-14)

What plans are there for a permanent tribute to the late HM Queen Elizabeth II in Wiltshire?

Response:

Wiltshire Council plans to plant a tree in tribute to the late HM Queen Elizabeth II. This will form a part of the successful Queen’s Green Canopy (QGC) which is a UK-wide tree planting initiative which continues until the end of the current tree planting season in March 2023. The tree will be planted in front of County Hall, Trowbridge and will use compost derived from flowers that were left in the period of mourning. It is intended a small ceremony will be held in the autumn to plant the tree, with the Leader, Chairman and Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire present.

Looking more widely, at present it is not known what other plans may be put in place by various public, private, and voluntary organisations to mark the life and contribution of HM The Queen to the country. Wiltshire Council will seek to support these plans as they become available in due course.