

Recommendations to cabinet from the meeting of scrutiny committee held on 03.02.2022

Budget, cabinet agenda item 6:

- 1) Ensure there is continued political commitment to investing in renewable or green energy projects.
- 2) Where financially and legally viable, in conjunction with a fabric first approach, where the property type allows for upgrade of the thermal performance of the fabric, fit the lowest carbon emitting heating systems in council properties. Where fabric upgrade isn't possible and low carbon heat sources aren't feasible (or will make operation unaffordable for residents), then gas boilers will be fitted, but pipework and radiators (or other emitters) will be upgraded to allow for future transition to low carbon alternatives.
- 3) Any recommendations considered by the scrutiny fly tipping task and finish group will give consideration to costs and funding options available. If funding cannot be identified within existing budgets, officers will facilitate the appropriate decision pathway to identifying alternative funding sources and approvals required.

NCSL Business Plan, cabinet agenda item 9 and *12:

The recommendations from the scrutiny committee last night were:

- 1) To include biodiversity as one of NCSLs main objectives.
- 2) On the risk register - Company 9 risk – severe weather event – this should be expanded to take account of changes to work practices and schedules as a result of climate change by listing the effects of this.
- 3) To ask the board to benchmark the environmental standards of NCSL against other companies in the field.