

Full Council

Meeting of Witney Town Council



Monday, 12th October, 2020 at 7.00 pm

To members of the Full Council - J Aitman, L Duncan, L Ashbourne, T Ashby, R Bolger, D Butterfield, O Collins, H Eaglestone, D Enright, V Gwatkin, A D Harvey, M Jones, J King, A McMahon, A Prosser, R Smith and D Temple.

Addendum to Agenda

15. Motion - Local Electricity Bill

That Witney Town Council

(i) notes that the Local Electricity Bill

- aims to address the current situation, whereby the very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so,
- if made law, would make these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier's operation and empower councils, together with their communities, to sell locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, and
- would result in revenues received by councils or community organisations that chose to set up local renewable electricity companies, which could be used to help fund local greenhouse gas emissions reduction measures and to help improve local services and facilities;

(ii) accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by a cross-party group of 187 MPs; and

(iii) further resolves to write to the local MP asking them to support the Bill in Parliament and to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at 8 Delancey Passage, Camden, London NW1 7NN or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing its support.

Proposed by: Cllr Luci Ashbourne

Seconded by: Cllr Ruth Smith

The rationale and a description of what the Bill would do and benefits it would create, if made law, are here: <https://powerforpeople.org.uk/the-local-electricity-bill/>

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. J. - 5'.

Town Clerk