CABINET 4 SEPTEMBER 2019 MEMBER QUESTION TIME

1. Question Submitted by Councillor Simon Harris

Following the public question to Cabinet on 3rd July about increasing the use of renewable energy sources by West Mercia Energy it was stated that discussions were taking place, has any progress been made on these discussions to date?"

Response:

A. Thank you for this timely question. I am delighted to exclusively announce that following an informal discussion between Cabinet and Directors on 15th July and dialogue with our partners in West Mercia Energy, that as of 1st September 2019 100% of the electricity procured by Shropshire Council through West Mercia Energy will come from renewable sources. Furthermore, higher WME profits mean this initiative will be cost neutral. In addition to this we will be in a position to offer 100% renewable electricity to all of our maintained schools from 1st April 2020.