

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Questions to Portfolio Holders

Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel Monday 17 January 2022

Questions received from Councillor Yates:

1. A resident has informed me that Support Staffordshire are sending out invitations to public workshops on behalf of SMDC on Part 2 of the Climate Change Action Plan, is this correct, if so what is their remit in terms of: who is invited; what is the timetable; are Anthesis involved; what is the precise purpose/aim?

Response from Councillor Porter – Portfolio Holder for Climate Change & Biodiversity:

The Council has commissioned Anthesis to carry out a series of workshops for the Council as was set out in the report that was considered by this Panel on the 15th November 2021. An update on the workshops will be provided as part of the climate change verbal update this evening.

2. Fuel Poverty and Energy Efficiency measures are an important part of Part 2 of the Climate Change Action Plan; does SMDC have any plans to reinforce their intended actions in light of the current Energy Crisis?

Response from Councillor Porter – Portfolio Holder for Climate Change & Biodiversity:

The Chief Executive has called a meeting of relevant Heads of Service next week to discuss the issue. We have identified fuel poverty and energy efficiency as priorities and we will look to see what we can do at a district level to respond appropriately to this national problem.