

Environment Select Committee

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 18 December 2012

Review of Affordable Warmth Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

The Committee agreed their final report and recommendations at the meeting held on 10 December. The report includes a summary of the evidence received which focused on:

- levels of fuel poverty
- the effects that living in cold conditions has on health
- energy efficiency of housing stock in the borough
- previous and current affordable warmth/energy efficiency schemes

The Committee has made recommendations which aim to address fuel poverty and increase energy efficiency in the borough by exploring funding routes for affordable warmth initiatives and working with partners to target these initiatives. The final report and recommendations will be presented to Executive Scrutiny Committee on 18 December.

The final report is scheduled to be presented to Cabinet in February 2013.

Other Work

The Committee will now begin its next review, Community Safety and Security Services. The scope and project plan will be presented at the meeting on 21 January 2013.