

NOTICE OF MOTION – LOCAL ENERGY BUSINESS CAMPAIGN

To consider the undersigned Notice of Motion standing in the name of County Borough Councillors Colin Mann, Philippa Marsden, and Kevin Etheridge and supported by the Members listed below.

We the undersigned Elected Members request that Caerphilly County Borough Council: -

- i) Acknowledges the efforts that this Council has made to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote renewable energy.
- (ii) Further recognises
 - that 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,
 - that making these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier's operation would create significant opportunities for local companies, community groups and councils to be providers of locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, if they wished, and
 - that revenues received by such local companies, community groups or councils that chose to become local renewable electricity providers could be used to help improve the local economy, local services and facilities and to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions.
- (iii) Notes that the Parliamentary Environmental Audit Committee, as a result of its 2021 Technological Innovations and Climate Change inquiry, recommended that a Right to Local Supply for local energy suppliers be established to address this.
- (iv) Accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, currently supported by a cross-party group of 264 MPs and which, if made law, would establish a Right to Local Supply which would promote local renewable electricity supply by making the setup and running costs of selling renewable electricity to local customers proportionate to the size of the supply company; and
- (v) Further resolves to
 - inform the local media of this decision.
 - write to local MPs, asking them to support the Bill, and
 - write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at Camden Collective, 5-7 Buck Street, London NW1 8NJ or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing its support.

Signed:



Cllr Colin Mann



Cllr Philippa Marsden



Cllr Kevin Etheridge

Supported by Councillors: P. Bevan, S. Cook, C. Gordon, N. George, L. Phipps, E. Stenner, R. Whiting, A. Whitcombe, J. Roberts, M. Adams, C. Andrews, D.T. Davies, J. Taylor, W. Williams, C. Elsbury, G. Johnston. P. Leonard, E. Forehead, R. Gough, T. Parry, C. Thomas, G. Kriby.

Confirmed by email