

Energy Security Select Committee

Hearing 4

Friday 4th December 2015

Witness Guide for Members

Below are suggested themes and questions. They have been provided in advance to the witnesses to allow them to prepare for the types of issues that Members may be interested to explore. All Members are welcome to ask these questions or pose additional ones to the witnesses via the Committee Chairman.

Themes and Questions

Stephanie Karpetas (Sustainability Connections & Community Energy South)

- Please introduce yourself and provide an outline of the roles and responsibilities of your post.
- How, if at all, can community energy schemes ensure energy security for Kent?
- What, in your opinion, are the most important forms of community energy?
- What is fuel poverty, and what is the condition of fuel poverty in Kent at present?
- How, if at all, can energy efficiency measures and retrofitting contribute towards energy security?
- Please discuss current and future employment and training opportunities concerning the energy sector in Kent.
- Please discuss any issues associated with community tariffs with regard to improving energy security.
- What is the current state of national and local funding for grassroots community energy projects?
- What role can local and regional partnerships play in promoting energy security? How are they performing at present?

- What, in your view, are the key initiatives that Kent County Council can implement to promote energy security within the county?
- Are there any other issues that you would like to raise with the Committee?