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Cllr Adam Tinsley
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Dear Cllr Tinsley

Question at Council – Wednesday 20th May 2026

Thank you for your question at Council on Wednesday 20th May 2026. I have set out your question and my response below.

When fitting new heating systems such as air source heat pumps, do the council review associated Electric tariff prices to run these, in comparison to using traditional Gas Heating Systems.

I can advise that when considering the installation of air source heat pumps, the Council does assess likely running costs compared to traditional gas systems.

While heat pumps are more energy efficient, electricity is currently more expensive than gas, which means they can in some cases cost more to run. However, this can be offset over the life of the system through lower maintenance requirements, longer asset life and the need to meet Energy Performance Certification (EPC) legislation, and this overall balance is considered as part of the investment decision

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely



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