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**Comments from the Liberal Democrat Group  
Regarding the Property Energy Strategy**

The Liberal Democrat group would like to welcome the measures proposed in this report. Making savings through better energy efficiency and through the generation of green energy is an approach that we have been urging for a number of years.

While our past proposals have not always been met constructively by the administration, it's good to see the Council finally taking action to reduce its spending on energy while also reducing carbon emissions. The report acknowledges that these measures are long overdue, the master report's executive summary even stating:

*“It is very evident that the County Council is currently in a weak and largely ineffective position in terms of either planning or managing the energy performance and energy consumption of its properties.”*

We hope that the proposals in this strategy represent the first step in a long term effort to innovate and push for new ways to make savings through green initiatives.

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