

COUNCIL MEETING – 16th SEPTEMBER 2015

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Submitted by: Councillor Ann Blackburn
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Executive Member (Communities) and/or
 Executive Member (Regeneration, Transport and Planning)
 Relevant Director: Director of City Development and/or
 Director of Environment and Housing

This Council notes:

- The Government cancelling the introduction of Zero Carbon Home Standards in 2016.
- The negative impact this will have on householders at risk of fuel poverty in new housing.
- The missed opportunity to reduce carbon emissions in new developments.
- The loss of income to the local economy as a result of these lower energy efficiency standards, as householders' income is spent paying energy bills rather than in local shops and on local services.

This Council believes:

- That under the principle of 'localism' councils can determine their own standards on land that they own if those standards comply with UK Building Regulations.
- That the internationally recognised 'Passivhaus Standard' offers an alternative to the UK's diminished energy efficiency ambitions for new-build housing.
- That the Passivhaus Standard complies with UK Building Regulations and can deliver heating bills of less than £100/year for the average three bedroom terrace house.

This Council, therefore, requests that an early report is brought to the Executive Board to specify Passivhaus Standards on all new buildings on council-owned land and as a condition of sale on any council land.

Deadlines for submission

White Papers - 10.00 am on the day before the issue of the Summons
 Questions - 10.00 am on Monday before the meeting
 Amendments - 10.00 am on the day before the meeting
 (including references back)

(All submissions should be made to Governance Services for receipt to be recorded and distribution made)

