

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION – CLLR IAN STEPHENS

Title of Matter: Statement of Intent for EC04 (Energy Company Obligation Phase 4) Flexibility Scheme

Decision maker: Cllr Ian Stephens, Cabinet Member for Digital Transformation, Housing, Homelessness and Poverty.

Power(s) giving authority to make an executive decision: Section 9E (2) (b) (ii) of the Local Government Act 2000 and under all other enabling powers.

Decision: That the Statement of Intent in full (Option 2) be adopted, and that a Route 4 scheme with the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) be negotiated, in consultation with the Commissioner for Housing Renewal, and this be added to the Statement of Intent (Option 4) when approved to the satisfaction of the Cabinet Member for Digital Transformation, Housing, Homelessness and Poverty.

Date of decision: 3 March 2023

Reason for decision: The Corporate Plan refers to the need to address the issues of fuel poverty and health inequalities by making homes more energy efficient. ECO is designed to achieve this and, by adopting a Statement of Intent, the council can increase the number of fuel poor households that will receive ECO4 improvements. It also supports the ongoing business of the council to “...*promote and deliver the various home energy efficiency grant schemes to improve Island homes and reduce energy consumption*”. ECO4 activity will improve the quality and affordability of housing, reduce carbon emissions and provide employment and training opportunities.

Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the councillor when making the decision:


Option 1 - Not to adopt the Statement of Intent;

Option 3 - Modify the Statement of Intent by removing some of the ECO Flex qualifying criteria;

Record of any conflict of interest declared by any Cabinet member consulted by the Leader of the Cabinet which relates to the decision: None

Dispensations granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflicts of interest: None

Background documents referred to: Report and appendices

Signed: 

Cllr Ian Stephens, Cabinet Member for Digital Transformation, Housing, Homelessness and Poverty.

Date of signature: 3 March 2023