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Dear Requester

I am writing in response to your Environmental Information Regulations request received on 16 January 2023, reference EIR196501-312112.

Your request and our response are shown below:

Your Request

I would like information about your council's electricity sources in relation to climate action for the Council Climate Action Scorecards. This information may be held by an estates department or similar.

In particular, please supply me with information relating to the following questions:

a. Does the council have a 100% renewable green electricity tariff for all of the electricity that the council is directly responsible for, and is this tariff with Green Energy UK plc, Good Energy Limited or Ecotricity?

This includes all electricity that the council is directly responsible for, in council offices and any other buildings leased and managed by the council where the council pays the electricity tariff. This does not include homes owned or managed by the council. If unsure, please state your provider and tariff.

b. Does the council generate and use energy from waste? And if so, what percentage of the council's total electricity use is powered by these energy from waste electricity sources?

c. Does the council buy directly from a local renewable electricity source or have its own renewable electricity sources? And if so, what percentage of the council's total electricity use is powered by this/these renewable electricity sources?

This includes council owned renewable electricity sources that are located outside of the council area, such as solar farms located further south to maximise electricity generation.

Our Response

- a) The Council has a 100% green electricity tariff. This is not with one of the companies listed.
- b) The Council's residual waste goes to an energy waste plant which is owned by a third party.
- c) The Council has microgeneration across its estate. This generates less than 10% of the Council's electricity requirements.

This concludes our response to your request.

We do our best to provide you the information you require. If you feel we have misunderstood your request, we invite you to offer further clarification. If you expand your request this will be dealt with as a new enquiry.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request and would like to request an internal review, please contact us within 40 working days of the date of this letter using the contact details: Information Governance Team, Governance Service, Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Town Hall, St Ives Road, Maidenhead SL6 1RF or send an e-mail to foi@rbwm.gov.uk

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint following an internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Telephone: 0303 123 1113, email <u>casework@ico.org.uk</u>, website: <u>http://www.ico.org.uk/complaints/handling/complain</u>

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours faithfully,

Information Governance Team