Quotes for Electricity Supply for Unmetered Street Lamps

Proposal

To consider renewal quotes from SSE for the electricity supply for unmetered street lamps. To note that further quotes will be sought, but that last year only SSE were identified as willing to quote for the PC's unmetered supply.

Details

The PC's contract with SSE runs out on 31 July 2021. SSE require 30 days' notice of cancellation or renewal. Otherwise the PC will be put on a more expensive variable rate.

SSE Renewal Quotes

Two quotes have been provided for two-year contracts – one for a 'green' energy tariff, which the PC has been on for 2020/21, and one for a standard tariff.

Last year's contract quote has been provided for comparison.

In summary:

Quote	Cost
Green Energy	£2214.68 / year
Standard Energy	£2205.62 / year
Last year's Green Energy	£1746.22

To note:

SSE have automatically quoted for a two-year contract. Historically electricity costs have tended to rise so a longer term contract may mitigate against cost increases. One-year or three-year contracts are available.

There is a significant increase in standing charges. I'm told by SSE that this is the result of OFGEM's Targeted Charging Review. Changes come into effect from April 2022 that mean standing charges should more directly relate to the amount of electricity used, so higher users would pay a higher standing charge.

Other renewal quotes

Other quotes will be sought but last year there were few companies that offered unmetered electricity supply. Utility Aid, a non-for-profit energy broker, were approached last year but were only able to secure one quote for the PC, from SSE.

If the situation is the same as last year, it is likely that the PC will need to renew with SSE.