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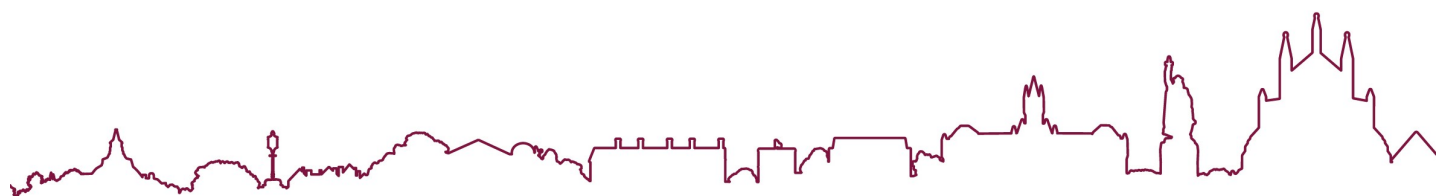
Please supply me with information relating to the following questions:

- a. Does the council have a 100% renewable green electricity tariff for all of the electricity that the council is directly responsible for?

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 your heating (unless electric) and/or gas bill. This does not include homes owned or managed by the council. If unsure, please state your provider and tariff.

- b. Does the council buy directly from a local renewable electricity source or have its own renewable electricity sources (wind, solar or hydro)? 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 energy generation. For the purpose of this question, electricity generated from waste is not considered renewable energy.



Response

- a) Winchester City Council does have a green electricity tariff for virtually all electricity billed to the Council. This is a REGO backed electricity tariff which covers all energy supplies billed directly to Winchester City Council by our energy supplier. The only two exceptions to this are two Council car parks. This exception is because the Council do not pay the energy supplier directly for this electricity. The Council are sub metered and rebilled for this electricity by the company who pays their energy supplier for this electricity. Therefore, the decision on electricity contract type is with the electricity bill payer, who rebills the Council.
- b) The Council does not buy electricity from a local renewable generator or have its own renewable energy sources to buy from. The Council does have a portfolio of rooftop PV which reduces the amount of grid electricity which the council purchases. The Council's REGO backed renewable electricity tariff sources electricity from a range of renewable energy generators within the UK.

