

Wiltshire Council

Council

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Questions From Councillors

From Cllr Chris Caswill, Chippenham Monkton Division

To

**Cllr Toby Sturgis, Cabinet Member For Waste, Property, Environment
And Development Control Services**

Question 1

- (a) Has the Council now paid the £600,000 fine which it incurred last year for carbon emissions?
- (b) How much do you expect the Council to be charged for this year's performance?

Response

- (a) The Council has not paid a fine of £600,000, as the reporting deadline is not until 31 July 2012. The changes in the Carbon Reduction Commitment Energy Efficiency Scheme have been reported to The Environment Select Committee. This is not a fine but a mandatory payment for all organisations, both public sector and private companies, that consumed over £500k worth of electricity in 2008.
- (b) For the year 2011-12 the projected energy consumption figures and the current unit price of £12 per tonne announced by the Government in March equates to a payment of £524k. (this includes the schools estate). Schools will be taking on individual financial liability for their allowances from 2012-13.