

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL**

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**SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Elwyn Vaughan**

**In view of the impending energy crisis and the increased costs for all, can I draw your attention to the German proposals –**

- **Public buildings heated to max. 19° C**
- **No heating in communal spaces of public buildings (e.g. corridors)**
- **Monuments and public buildings won't be illuminated.**
- **Shop doors can't be kept permanently open**
- **No lighting in shop windows or on billboards from 10 pm**
- **Private pools can't be heated with energy from the grid.**

**Can we as an authority implement the relevant elements of these proposals thus not only cutting down on energy waste but also making a positive environmental contribution?**

**Response**

The Corporate Property team are currently reviewing how it can seek to reduce its energy usage across all of our estate. It is aiming to reduce the heating schedules for buildings and reducing the temperature set points. Additionally, the team is reviewing reducing the operational use of office accommodation in order to minimise energy usage.