



## **Council**

**Monday 13 December 2021**

### **Agenda Item 9 (a), Written Questions**

**Question From: Councillor Mark Cherry**

**Question To: Leader of the Council, Councillor Barry Wood**

**Topic: Sunshine Centre, Banbury**

#### **Question**

“Banbury Ruscote is classified second in the list of Oxfordshire’s 10 most deprived wards. Given the importance of the Sunshine Centre, Edmonds Road and outreach services to Banbury Ruscote families, can the Leader of the Council, Barry Wood assure Banbury Ruscote councillors that he will be working with council officers and in liaison with the Lead Member for Health and Wellbeing to look at replacing the boiler system at the Sunshine Centre. The boiler is coming to the end of its serviceable life and should ideally be replaced with an environmentally friendly system which can be funded by central government grants and if necessary, funding from Cherwell District Council.”

#### **Response**

“Cherwell District Council are aware of the age of the boiler system / plantroom and are currently maintaining the system so to ensure that the Sunshine Centre can operate normally. To ensure the longevity of the Sunshine Centre CDC are planning to apply for future grant funding once available from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS). It should however be noted that like many other community run buildings owned by CDC under the current lease terms the Sunshine Centre tenant is responsible for their own maintenance including the replacement of the plantroom.”