## **Energy Support Payment**

"This Council is deeply concerned that the £600 energy support payment due to people across the North of Ireland who are enduring severe cost-of-living pressures has not yet been made, despite DUP assurances that it would be paid in November.

Notes that as a result of the DUP boycott of power-sharing, responsibility for delivering this payment rests with the British Government.

Is further concerned that as temperatures drop and winter deepens many families struggling to pay soaring energy bills will have budgeted for this payment being made before Christmas as promised.

And therefore, call on the British government to urgently provide clarity on the delivery of the payments, it is well past time that these were delivered with no more broken promises."

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Seconder: Councillor Micheal Donnelly