

## Notice

## Maximum Unit Electricity Price for November

Dear Residents of Sark,

I am setting the maximum unit price for electricity in Sark for November at 60p/kWh. The increase is a consequence of SEL overstating previous consumption figures. This arose from a defect in its billing system, as described by Mr Witney-Price on SEL's Facebook page, dated 8<sup>th</sup> October.

Unfortunately, SEL has not provided my Office with consumption or revenue figures for September. As a consequence, I have needed to make assumptions concerning the number of units sold and revenues raised by the minimum monthly charge. Any adjustments, should they be necessary, will be made next month.

In November, I will set a maximum unit price for December, but residents should be aware that the Price Control Order (PCO) commenced operation in December 2019 and will expire on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021. This is because it will have been in operation for two years, which is the maximum time allowed under the 2016 Law.

I am keen to understand the basis on which SEL will set prices in the absence of a PCO. I have written to Mr Witney-Price and hope to discuss his plans for investment and appropriate tariffs in the near future. I hope there will not be a need to set another PCO. However, should this become necessary, residents should be aware that the process will take a few months.

**Anthony White** 

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