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Statement - Sark Electricity Limited

September 'levies'

Sark Electricity Limited (SEL) has announced that it will issue summonses to consumers who have not paid the additional 'levies' applied to September bills.

Chief Pleas maintains that these 'levies' are neither fair nor reasonable. It is the view of Chief Pleas that consumers should only be charged for costs directly related to the generation and distribution of electricity. It is also the view of Chief Pleas that it is not acceptable practice for legal costs to be paid in advance by consumers. Any attempt to enforce payment in court of these 'levies' for properties owned by Chief Pleas will be opposed.

Compulsory Purchase

On 31st October, Chief Pleas submitted an application to the Court of the Seneschal for the appointment of a valuer. The Court has now issued directions to the parties, for SEL to file representations by 28th November, for the Policy & Finance Committee to respond by 5th December, and that a hearing will be scheduled for the first available date after 10th December.

Conclusion

Chief Pleas recognises the significant anxiety and concern that many residents of Sark are experiencing as a result of these issues. The priority of Chief Pleas remains to bring SEL's assets into community ownership, ensuring a safe, reliable and affordable electricity supply for the people of Sark.

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