

(iii) Mr R Bremner

To the Chair of the Housing & Property Committee

**Do you agree that heating systems that are being replaced or installed by Highland Council in Council properties should be as affordable as possible for the occupiers?**

*Highland Council aims to install heating systems in our housing stock which are as affordable as possible for our tenants. This is part of our heating options approach whereby we aim to install heating which is energy efficient but which is also easy to use and maintain.*

*Achieving affordability is difficult given fuel prices are unpredictable and can rise more rapidly than incomes, as well as being outside the control of both the Council and the tenant. Heating options are constantly reviewed but the Housing & Property committee will have an opportunity to consider current and future heating options at a forthcoming committee meeting.*