

**Action No. 46(b) - ANNUAL BUDGET REPORT, MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY, FINANCIAL STRATEGIES & COUNCIL TAX:**

The Group Manager - Climate Change and Environment has provided a response as follows:

*'The Green Homes Grants Scheme is coordinated by an in-house team employed by East Lindsey District Council on behalf of South and East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership. Contractors on the scheme are procured by the Council and each resident is allocated both a unique case reference and their own dedicated case officer. This ensures that only contractors vetted and appointed as being compliant and of sufficient quality can undertake works on the scheme and that works are in line with an agreed Schedule of Rates. No funding changes hand between the Council and the resident and the Council manages all payments for works directly on behalf of residents. Contractors are always expected to quote individual case references on contact with residents so they can be sure they are working on the Council's behalf and must also always display identification badges. Residents are able to contact their dedicated case officer if they are ever unsure on anything. The Green Homes Grants team are themselves all DBS checked'.*