

**RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**QUESTION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 10**

**COUNCIL – 14 DECEMBER 2022**

**QUESTION D**

**Councillor Ms Livesey to ask the Leader of the Council, Councillor Lowe:**

“What conversations have taken place with Severn Trent to ensure that the borough is included in its recently announced 10-year project to help communities alleviate poverty through the provision of skills and a focus on young people who are NEET. If no discussions have yet taken place what plans are there to engage with Severn Trent to ensure Rugby does not miss out on this opportunity?”

**Councillor Lowe, Leader of the Council, to reply as follows:**

“The delivery of training and development opportunities for young people not in education, employment or training (NEET) is provided by Warwickshire County Council (WCC) in partnership with a range of education providers, private companies and charities such as The Prince’s Trust.

The scheme referred to above was launched by Severn Trent and is a 10 year project, with Birmingham being the first authority to use the scheme.

The Council will continue to work with WCC and wider partners including Rugby College to explore opportunities for Rugby residents to benefit from any training that can be provided for young people.

Councillors will already be aware that the Council is also implementing a pilot of the BEAM project, supporting the homeless and those at risk of homelessness into training and employment.”