

Progress Update – Review of Affordable Warmth

No	Recommendation	Responsibility	Anticipated Completion Date	Progress Update 11/11/2013	11/11/2013 Assessment of progress (Categories 1-4)
1	<p>A Stockton-on-Tees Affordable Warmth Strategy and delivery plan be developed for 2012/13 – 2015/16 to address the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase local SAP ratings; • Reduce fuel poverty rates in Stockton (dependent on household income and fuel prices); • Reduce carbon emissions; • Reduce the impact of fuel poverty on health & wellbeing (using recognised measures e.g. cold related hospital admissions) and other financial and social inequalities; • Increasing number of homes meeting Decent Homes 	<p>Stockton BC – Technical Services to lead on strategy and delivery plan development.</p> <p><i>Stockton BC – Technical Services in partnership with GoWarm</i></p> <p><i>Stockton BC – Technical Services</i></p> <p><i>Stockton BC – Technical Services in partnership with external provider and funder</i></p>	<p>April 2013</p> <p><i>Jan 12 – March 13</i></p> <p><i>March 13</i></p> <p><i>Jan 2013 – Mar 2016</i></p> <p><i>Feb 2013 – May 2013. + subsequent auctions if successful</i></p>	<p>Strategy and action plan in draft form following formation of multi-agency Fuel Poverty Partnership. To be finalised by Partnership task & finish group November 2013 for endorsement and publication January 2014.</p> <p>First meeting of Fuel Poverty Partnership held 27 Sept 2013, with representation from a range of Council services, Registered Providers (Vela, Fabrick, North Star groups), and 3rd sector agencies. Partners agreed to the suggested Terms of Reference incorporating the recommendations. Recommendation by partners to invite representation from private sector landlords.</p>	<p>2 On track</p>

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	<p>Standards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage Registered Providers, by working in partnership with them, to incorporate targeted fuel poverty/energy efficiency measures into their repairs and renewals programme. Also that the programme is focussed on LSOAs/wards with the highest levels of fuel poverty and deprivation (as rated by IMD). 	<p><i>Stockton BC WHHP project team, in partnership with iChoors, Five Lamps and SDAIS.</i></p> <p><i>Stockton BC – Warm Homes Healthy People Partnership</i></p> <p><i>Stockton on Tees BC – Private Sector Housing Division.</i></p>	<p><i>Oct 2012 – March 2013 + future winter campaigns if successful</i></p> <p><i>Jan 2013 – Mar 2016</i></p>		

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2	In order to achieve these objectives, a plan be developed to deliver the strategy.	<i>As above</i>	<i>As above</i>	<i>As above</i>	2 On track
3	All routes of funding are explored on an ongoing basis. This should include a dialogue with Stockton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) over potential funding options and presenting year ROI/savings models along with other related health outcomes arising from fuel poverty measures on an ongoing basis for funding consideration.	<i>Stockton on Tees Fuel Poverty Partnership</i>	<i>31/3/14</i>	Warm Homes Healthy People partnership funded for Autumn/Winter campaign 2013 by funding from Public Health. Discussions taking place with CCGs over possible future funding. WHHP evaluation report shows ROI benefits.	2 On track
4	SBC and delivery partners should investigate funding mechanisms potentially available to support Green Deal 'loan' deals including local authority and RP funds, CCG funding.	<i>Stockton BC – Technical Services</i>	<i>Jan 2013 – Dec 2013</i>	Major housing investment in private sector underway via new partnership with GoWarm and funded by Eon under national Green Deal Energy Company Obligation. This continues the external wall insulation work from the previous CESP scheme, and will enable potentially up to 5,000 solid wall properties to benefit. Registered Providers also have schemes underway via a similar route.	2 On track

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				No Council involvement yet in Green Deal loan scheme to private householders as commercial models are already in place, however all options remain under consideration.	
5	SBC should develop strategies to enable promotion and delivery of Green Deal schemes designed at tackling fuel poverty to reach fuel poor households outside the qualifying Energy Company Obligation (ECO) LSOAs. SBC should utilise the brand the Council to promote such opportunities to individual householders.	<i>Stockton BC– Technical Services with delivery partner</i>	<i>Jan 2013 – Dec 2013</i>	Other than The Energy Company Obligation partnership above, there is no Council involvement yet in Green Deal loan scheme to private householders as commercial models are already in place, however all options remain under consideration if Green Deal scheme is seen to be failing. A study of uptake by fuel poor households can be undertaken via the Fuel Poverty Partnership to determine gaps in provision.	2 On track
6	A 'Fuel Poverty Partnership' is formed to bring together all key stakeholders which will, as part of its remit, monitor the progress of the Stockton-on-Tees Affordable Warmth Strategy and delivery plan and report to all relevant groups and	<i>Stockton BC – Technical Services & Policy Improvement and Engagement.</i> <i>Fuel Poverty Partnership</i>		First meeting of Fuel Poverty Partnership held 27 Sept 2013, with representation from a range of Council services, Registered Providers (Vela, Fabrick, North Star groups), and 3 rd sector agencies. Partners agreed to the suggested Terms of Reference incorporating the recommendations. Recommendation by partners to invite representation from private sector landlords.	1 Fully achieved

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	<p>committees and that detailed terms of reference be developed for approval by the organisations involved. As the lead strategic and delivery body in securing funding and delivering programmes to tackle fuel poverty in the Borough, SBC should provide the Chair to this Partnership.</p>				
7	<p>In addition to the regular local reporting process of the Affordable Warmth Strategy and Delivery Plan, the information and progress on this Delivery Plan be reported nationally via the Home Energy Conservation Act reporting process and Climate Local (Local Government Association mechanism for public reporting).</p>	<p><i>Stockton BC – Technical Services</i></p>	<p>31/03/13 Oct 2013</p>	<p>HECA report for March 2013 submitted to DECC. Adoption of Climate Local reporting framework to be included in forthcoming report to Cabinet</p>	<p>2 On track</p>

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8	The issues of fuel poverty and affordable warmth be reflected in all relevant sections of the Stockton-on-Tees Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and other strategic and policy documents covering areas such as family poverty, financial and social exclusion.	<i>JSNA Lead</i>	<i>Annually before JSNA publication</i>	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment refresh for 2013 underway. Fuel Poverty Partnership now included as Thematic Group within new Local Strategic Partnership	1 Fully achieved
9	An evaluation of current and planned projects be carried out to measure and understand their long term health impacts, carbon efficiency, social and economic impacts.	<i>Fuel Poverty Partnership or Affordable Warmth Officer Group</i>	<i>Provisional – March 2014</i>	Evaluation of GoWarm/SBC CESP project for wider impacts underway. 300+ sample size required. Draft report to be received by year-end and presentation on findings to Fuel Poverty Partnership in January.	2 On track

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10	Stockton Borough Council sign up to the Local Authority Fuel Poverty Commitment.	<i>Stockton BC – Technical Services/Democratic Services</i>	31/3/13	To be signed by Chair of Fuel Poverty Partnership Oct 2013	2 On track