

<b>CONSENT TO URGENT DECISION</b>	<b>PART 1</b> (to be completed by the person seeking consent)	
<b>Proposed Decision Maker</b> <i>(please name person or body proposing to take decision, if an officer also state title)</i>		<b>Date for Decision</b>
Councillor Les Caborn – Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care & Health		8 September 2017
<b>Title:</b>  Warm Homes Fund Bid		
<b>Summary of matter</b> <p>The Warm and Well in Warwickshire programme offers advice on staying healthy in cold weather and includes information on energy efficiency, fuel debt, grants and benefits available for vulnerable residents, especially those living in fuel poverty, the elderly and those with long term health conditions. There is a free phone advice line for all residents and a Boilers on Prescription strand that offers physical interventions to eligible residents and evaluates the impact on health and wellbeing from moving out of fuel poverty. The service is provided by a commissioned provider Act on Energy.</p> <p>In order to extend the reach of this work Act on Energy made us aware of the opportunity to bid from the newly created Warm Homes Fund, and we are now subsequently seeking agreement to enter a bid.</p>		
<b>Proposed Decision</b> <p>To approve the submission of a bid for £96,610 to the Warm Homes Fund to enable Public Health to enhance and expand its Warm and Well in Warwickshire offer, specifically targeting households experiencing fuel poverty and ill health from living in a cold home.</p>		
<b>Reasons for urgency</b> <p>The invitation to submit bids was issued on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 with a closing date of midday 8th September 2017. This short turnaround time was further compounded by being peak holiday season with key staff involved in preparing this bid away for periods, and a need to unpick the scope of the bid and rework due to clarifications received of interventions not covered by the bid. The timescale given for preparing and submitting bids was therefore too short to enable the usual decision making process.</p>		
<b>Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?</b> <i>[please identify relevant plan/budget provision]</i>		
No		



<b>PART 2</b> (to be completed by the person giving consent)	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Councillor: Cllr Clive Rickhards</b>
<b>Office Held</b>	<b>Chair of Council</b>
<b>Date consent is given</b> By email response	6 September 2017