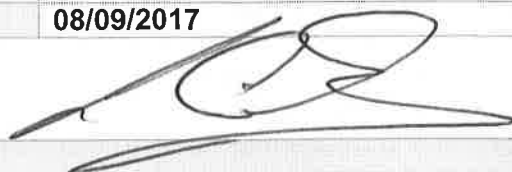


Urgent Decision Record – Warm and Well Funding Bid

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Councillor Les Caborn Adult Social Care and Health
Date of Decision (not before: DATE)	08/09/2017



Decision Taken

I approve the submission of the enclosed bid for funding from the Warm Homes Fund. This bid is to support the Warm and Well in Warwickshire Programme of Work

Reasons for Decisions

The Warm Homes Fund is a partnership between National Grid and Affordable Warmth Solutions with £150m in funding to distribute to local authorities, social landlords and third sector partners working to address fuel poverty. The opportunity has arisen for the Council to bid for funding and the bid has been developed for funding of £96,610 to support:

- Enhancing and increasing work with identified GPs to enable staff to recognise people experiencing fuel poverty, increase referrals and offer advice sessions within GP practices.
- Increase information and advice to people referred who are experiencing fuel poverty, including access to funding for physical measures and debt advice and benefit maximisation.
- Purchase of a housing stock database called UNO which will enable monitoring of progress on the programme and provide a view of the areas where there is highest need and demand, enabling the efficient targeting of resources.

The bid will cover two years starting from November 2017.

Background Information

None (detail is in the bid)

Financial Implications

The bid is broken down into:

£26,220 – Act on Energy delivery costs including staff

£28,020 - UNO database

£6,000 – marketing

£30,000 income maximisation costs (Warwickshire Welfare Rights costs to send out mailings to identified households and offer advice via telephone and face to face).

There is no financial implications for the County Council in terms other than the officer cost in preparation and submission of the bid. This and activity related to the bid activities will be met from within existing resources.

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Checklist

Urgent matter The decision has been agreed by the Chair of Council (in the absence of the Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee) in view of the tight timescale for preparation and submission of the bid. (The invitation to bid was received on 7 August with a deadline of submission of 8 September - a short time frame during the holiday period). The timescale has meant that the decision is required for immediate implementation on 8 September and the Chair has agreed that the call-in period will not apply.	Yes
Confidential or Exempt? (State the category of exempt information)	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	No

List of Reports considered - please include link to the report Link to published proposed decision report:
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List of Background Papers - please include a contact for access to background papers None

Members and officers consulted or informed – please include any comments Portfolio Holder – Councillor Les Caborn Corporate Board Legal – Jane Pollard Finance – Liz Firmstone Equality – Polly Sharma Democratic Services – Paul Williams Group Leaders were notified of the proposed urgent decision on 31 August.
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