


Decision Record – Bid for Funding to the National Energy Action Warm and Healthy Homes Fund

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Councillor Les Caborn Adult Social Care and Health Signature: 
Date of Decision (not before: DATE)	21/09/2017

Decision Taken I give approval to the submission of a Grant Funding bid, in partnership with Worcestershire County Council (lead and managing authority) and Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council, to the National Energy Action Warm and Healthy Homes Fund on behalf of the County Council in connection with Public Health's Warm and Well in Warwickshire programme of work.

<p>Reasons for Decisions</p> <p>The National Energy Action Warm and Healthy Homes Fund is offering funding to previously successful bidders to support physical intervention measures (heating and insulation measures) to vulnerable households (those dependent on benefits and with at least one member of the household who has a chronic health condition). This supports the Warm and Well in Warwickshire Programme.</p> <p>The opportunity to bid for funding has been offered due to an underspend on the NEA Warm and Healthy Homes fund to which Worcestershire, Warwickshire and Solihull Metropolitan Borough Councils submitted a successful bid in 2016/17. (Therefore, this is not in effect a new funding bid). Worcestershire County Council is the lead and managing authority.</p> <p>The partnership is bidding for a total of £174,000 (approx. £58,000 for Warwickshire) which will support approximately 19 boiler replacements (maximum cost £3000 per household) across Warwickshire for vulnerable households. The grant funding would be received and managed by Worcestershire County Council working closely with Act on Energy, who support fuel poverty programmes for all three of the partnership authorities. The programme would run as per the original programme for which we successfully bid as a partnership, and was delivered in 2016/17.</p> <p>The proposed bid will need to be delivered (heating and insulation measures installed) by the end of February 2018. .</p>
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<p>Background Information</p> <p>Warm Homes Healthy People's Fund call for proposals.</p>
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<p>Financial Implications</p> <p>There are no inherent financial implications for the County Council in terms of submitting the bids other than the officer cost of working up and submitting the bids. The cost of activity will</p>
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be met from within existing resources.

Warwickshire County Council currently contract with Act on Energy for £100,000 per year and the match funding offer for this bid will be found within that overall cost envelope.

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Checklist

Urgent matter? The invitation to bid was made on 8 September 2017 with a closing date of midday on 27 September 2017. This short timescale does not allow for the usual decision making process. The Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee has given his consent to this being an urgent decision.	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 Report as published on the website with this decision notice

List of Background Papers - please include a contact for access to background papers Warm Homes Healthy People’s Fund call for proposals – Applicant’s Guide published on website with report.
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Members and officers consulted or informed – please include any comments Portfolio Holder – Councillor Les Caborn Corporate Board – David Carter and Monica Fogarty Legal – Jane Pollard Finance – Amy Episcopo Democratic Services –Janet Purcell Cllr Wallace Redford – approval as part of the consent to urgency process 19 September 2017 Group Leaders_ Cllrs Seccombe, Chattaway, Roodhouse, Chilvers notified 19 September 2017
