

Action	Details	TIMING (Where relevant)
i)	LOCAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY AMBITIONS AND PRIORITIES	
	Our current performance	
	<p>On Fuel Poverty</p> <p>Wolverhampton has 23,836 fuel poor households which equates to 24.3% of the total households across the City. This compares unfavourably with the West Midlands region at 21.6% and England as a whole at 16.4% (<i>DECC 2010 figures published August 2012</i>).</p> <p>As part of the Wolverhampton Affordable Warmth Strategy, a Home Energy Efficiency Action Plan has been developed to focus deliver on addressing fuel poverty in the City. It has recognised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 areas with the highest excess winter deaths (Park, Whitmore Reans, East Park and Ashmore Park) • 6 LSOA(Lower Super Output Area) that particularly benefit from EWI (Park Village, Whitmore Reans, Penn Fields, Blakenhall, All Saints, Bilston and Low Hill). • Working in partnership with organisations such as utility companies, social landlords, Age UK, CAB (Citizens Advice Bureau) and local community groups is essential to ensure a structured approach • The need to seek external funding to help deliver measures <p>New and existing schemes consider these areas when developing projects. The Strategy and Action Plan are due to be up-dated from April 2013.</p> <p>Wolverhampton will reduce fuel poverty from 24.3% to 14.3% on 2010 levels by 2020. The figure is conservative to take into account rising fuel prices and the untested ability of Energy Company obligation to deliver.</p>	<p>April 2013</p> <p>2020</p>

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ii) MEASURES WE ARE TAKING TO RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS OF RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION IN OUR BOROUGH		
Green Deal and ECO	<p>We are working with Sandwell, Walsall and Dudley Councils to determine if a joint approach to Green Deal will deliver greater environmental and economic benefits. Consultants have provided a Risk Benefit Analysis of potential options for Councils. The 4 Councils are currently assessing their options</p> <p>We are currently working in partnership with Wolverhampton Homes, Bullock Construction and British Gas to deliver an ECO Pilot Scheme providing EWI (External Wall Insulation) to 300+ council owned and private residential properties in Low Hill and St Chads</p> <p>We are involved in discussions to develop new partnerships with energy companies and other partners to deliver both Green Deal and all elements of the Energy Company Obligations (ECO)</p>	<p>June 2013</p> <p>March 2013</p> <p>On-going</p>
Feed in Tariffs scheme	<p>Domestic Photovoltaic (PV) Installations – As part of the CESP programme, 56 PV panels were installed to Wolverhampton Home's properties in the St Chads area of the City.</p> <p>We will continue to consider the use of PV in all schemes across the City</p>	<p>December 2012</p> <p>On-going</p>

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Zero Carbon Homes	<p>Wolverhampton City Council is working towards delivering to Code for Sustainable Homes (CSH) level 4 across all tenures by March 2014</p> <p>Building regulations will require Zero Carbon Homes (code 6) nationally on all new build housing by 2016. We will work with developers to ensure best practice is achieved prior to the legal start date.</p>	<p>March 2014</p> <p>On-going and final date of 2016</p>
EPCs	<p>We will take appropriate action against landlords, agents and those selling or letting their homes to ensure that they meet their legal obligation to provide and make available Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs).</p> <p>We will promote the importance of considering the contents of EPCs when moving house</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>On-going</p>

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Minimum standards in the private rental sector	<p>The Energy Act 2011 proposes that from April 2018, all private rented dwellings should be brought up to a minimum energy efficiency standard rating, likely to be set at EPC rating “E”. We already work with landlords and tenants to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote energy efficiency grants, loans and offers available to improve properties • Ensure that all new tenants are provided with EPC’s by their landlord so they can consider potential energy costs • Enforce landlords to improve the energy efficiency of properties under the Housing, Health Safety Rating System (HHSRS) category 1 hazard of excess cold <p>We will continue to work with tenants and landlords to ensure higher energy efficiency standards</p>	On-going and by 2018
Smart meters	<p>All household should be have Smart Meters by 2019</p> <p>We will work with energy companies to ensure that all residents receive smart meters at nil or minimal costs to them.</p>	On-going

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iii)	MEASURES WE PROPOSE TO COST EFFECTIVELY DELIVER ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION BY USING AREA / STREET BY STREET ROLL OUT.	
	<p>10 LSOA (Lower Super Output Areas) have been identified as areas where intervention is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 of which have the highest instances of Excess Winter Deaths • 6 of which, because of construction type, would benefit most from EWI <p>We also work in partnership with Wolverhampton Homes to deliver schemes that benefit from being mixed tenure projects to ensure whole area improvement.</p>	On-going
iv)	TIME FRAME FOR DELIVERY AND NATIONAL AND LOCAL PARTNERS	
	<p>Wolverhampton City Council recognises the importance of working in partnership to deliver the aims and objectives of the Affordable Warmth Strategy.</p> <p>The Affordable Warmth Action Group (AWAG) formed in 2001 to ensure fair delivery of the Strategy. Partners include Community Groups, Wolverhampton Fire Service, Wolverhampton Health Services, welfare Rights, CAB, Age UK, Wolverhampton Homes, Housing Associations and Energy Companies.</p> <p>The Affordable Warmth Strategy compliments, among others, The Private Sector Housing Strategy, The Sustainability Strategy and the Strategic Partnerships overarching City Strategy 2011-2026</p>	On-going