**Affordable Warmth Project Grant Fund – Winter 2018-19**

Middlesbrough Public Health has provided funding to Middlesbrough Environment City which will be awarded via a grant giving process to organisations delivering affordable warmth projects during winter 2018 – 2019.

Middlesbrough Affordable Warmth Partnership provides a person centred approach to fuel poverty whereby the householder is able to access a tailored packaged of support to ensure they are more able to improve their resilience to fuel poverty. Through the partnership residents can access a variety of support including:

* + Temporary heating, blankets, torches, wind up lanterns etc
	+ Emergency fuel vouchers
	+ heating repairs where appropriate
	+ Help with increasing household income through benefit uptake, becoming more energy efficient, reducing fuel bills and managing fuel debt
	+ There is also a range of support to help with staying safe in the home e.g. via carbon monoxide monitors, cold alarms and dusk till dawn lights

To help us improve the range of support on offer, proposals are invited for funding of between £2,000.00 and £10,000.00 to support projects which will address reducing fuel poverty and excess winter deaths in Middlesbrough and meet at least one of the key aims of the Middlesbrough Affordable Warmth Action Plan as follows:

* Improving the energy efficiency of households in Middlesbrough
* Reducing fuel poverty through income maximisation, improving access to budgeting advice and fuel and wider debt advice
* Ensuring provision of emergency support
	+ Access to emergency heating
	+ Access to warm clothing, bedding, etc
	+ Access to carpeting, curtains etc
* Improving health and well-being through affordable warmth
	+ Reduction of hospital admission due to cold related illness including, flu, pneumonia, asthma, cardio vascular disease, COPD
	+ Advice and support for people being discharged from hospital etc
	+ Support for people living at home with long term health conditions e.g. cancer, strokes, dementia

Proposals should target people who are in, or at risk of fuel poverty, across at least two of the following areas:

* People who have existing, long term health conditions, including long term mental health diagnosis, which make them vulnerable to the cold, including: cardio-vascular disease, lung disease (including COPD), arthritis and problems with mobility issues, Alzheimer’s and Dementia related diseases, and cancer.
* People over 65
* Families with children under 5
* People from ethnic minorities, asylum seekers and refugees
* Private Renting Tenants
* Young people aged 16-24 living in their own property

Proposals must clearly indicate how they will ensure the activities will be targeted to those areas identified.

Proposals should demonstrate how they will work alongside current services and delivery organisations to minimise duplication of delivery.

Key areas of support which are currently missing or limited within the current Affordable Warmth Partnership are:-

 Fuel debt and wider debt advice services

 Benefits checks at home for vulnerable people who struggle to get out

 Budgeting advice

 Provision and installation of small energy efficiency measures eg draught proofing

All activity must take place in Middlesbrough and projects must be delivered between 1st October 2018 and 31st March 2019.

Successful applications will receive the grant in three instalments. The first payment will be made by the end of September 2018. A second instalment will be paid in January 2019 pending receipt of an interim monitoring report. A final payment of 10% of the total of the grant will be paid at the end of the project pending receipt of a final report and evaluation.

**The deadline for applications is noon 12th September 2018**

The decisions about how the funding will be awarded made by a panel of people including Public Health representatives, Executive Members and the Director of Middlesbrough Environment City.

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**MIDDLESBROUGH AFFORDABLE WARMTH PARTNERSHIP**

**PROPOSAL FOR THE WINTER 2018-19 AFFORDABLE WARMTH PROGRAMME**

**GRANTS UP TO £10,000.00**

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| Name |  |
| Organisation |  |
| Contact Details |  |
| Name of Project |  |
| 1. OUTLINE OF PROJECT: Please describe the proposed project (200 words max) |
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| 2. NEED : How have you identified the need for this project? (100 words max) |
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| 3. AFFORDABLE WARMTH ACTION PLAN: Please describe briefly how the project will contribute to the delivery of the Action Plan (100 words max) |
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| 4. BENEFICIARIES : Who will benefit from the project ? (100 words max) |
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| 5. OUTPUTS : Please identify how many people will be helped and any other outputs. (200 words max) |
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| 6. DELIVERY : Describe briefly how the project will be delivered (including staffing/volunteers/frequency etc). (200 words max) |
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| 7. TIMESCALE : Summary of the project timescale (all projects must complete by March 2018) (50 words max) |
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| 11. COSTS : Please confirm the grant request total and a budget breakdown |
|  TOTAL grant requested : £ |
| Budget breakdown : £ |
| 12. SUPPORTING INFORMATION : Please supply any additional information regarding your proposal (100 words max) |
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**Application Deadline – noon 12th September 2018**

They can be posted to:

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