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Pewsey Area Board – 5 September 2011 Chairman's Announcements Wiltshire's new 'Warm and Well' free home insulation scheme

There are an estimated 30,000 people in fuel poverty in Wiltshire, who cannot afford to heat their homes adequately. How many live in your community area?

Cold homes impact on the health and wellbeing of your local residents. Would you like to help yourself and other residents save money and improve your home comfort?

The new Wiltshire Warm and Well scheme is open to all home owners and private tenants, and enables residents to improve the energy efficiency of their homes through installing loft and cavity wall insulation – saving money on bills and making homes warmer.

To access the scheme

Freephone: 0800 512 012, or go to <http://www.warmandwell.co.uk>

With Council funding as well as national CERT funding, Wiltshire Warm and Well aims to improve 3,000 homes in financial year 2011/2012.

Wiltshire Council's Core Strategy commits the council to reducing carbon emissions throughout the county. Carbon emissions from domestic properties make up 24% of total emissions. Improving insulation of domestic properties therefore makes a significant contribution to energy saving and therefore carbon emissions reduction.

We urge Area Board partners to get involved and help refer people to the scheme.

If you would like to hold a special event to promote the scheme, or promote it as part of another event you are holding, the 'Green Room' van is available to help, (further details at <http://www.warmandwell.co.uk> > The Green Room). Leaflets can also be supplied should you be interested, simply email your request to:

warm&well@swea.co.uk

Further information on this scheme can be accessed on the Wiltshire World Changers Network website, <http://wiltshireworldchangers.org> or via the Wiltshire Council website, <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/counciltaxhousingandbenefits/housing/housinggrants/homeenergygrants.htm>

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