

Warmer Homes Programme

We are part of a consortium of 23 local authorities, led by Portsmouth City Council, who have been successful in bidding for £41.4m of Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) funding, provided by the Government's Department for Energy Security & Net Zero. This funding is delivered through the Warmer Homes programme and is available to residents until March 2025.

Funding up to £38,000 is available to homes that are not heated by mains gas or has no central heating to provide the following measures:

- Solid wall insulation (external or internal)
- Cavity wall insulation
- Underfloor insulation
- Loft insulation
- Room in roof insulation
- Air source heat pumps
- Solar PV
- Heating controls
- High heat retention storage heaters

Households must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the programme:

Have an EPC rating of D, E, F or G

And

Either:

Have an annual total household income of £31,000 or less (before mortgage/rent & council tax)

Or: Receive a means tested benefit

Or: Their home is within a Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) Income Decile 1-3 postcode area.

The funding is available to private households: owner occupiers or private rental tenants. For private rental properties, landlords must not have a portfolio of more than 4 properties, provide consent and make a contribution of 50% of the funding available. Shared ownership homes can receive measures but are treated as private rental.

Applications can be made online: www.warmerhomes.org.uk or by phone: 0800 038 5737

Free Home Energy Advice Service

Provided by Arun & Chichester Citizens Advice is a free and impartial service that offers homeowners, private and social tenants expert advice on energy efficiency improvements and grants, energy bills and debt and keeping warm.

The phone number for the service is 01243 974063 and is open Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm

For more information on these schemes please contact Sustainability Officer Claire Stark