



## **BUSINESS CASE**

**(FORM B & Priority Assessment)**

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**Project name** Warm Homes Grants 2012-13

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**Release** Final  
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**Purpose**


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To request members approval to bring Warm Homes bid funding into the Capital programme and for the project to commence.

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**Reasons**

The Council is hopeful that it will be successful in securing funding from the Department of Health to provide grants to vulnerable people in residential properties to enable the replacement or upgrading of central heating and insulation in their homes

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**Options**

To provide grants in accordance with the grant award received from the Department of Health

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**Benefits expected**

To improve the quality of life of vulnerable people in residential accommodation by updating central heating and home insulation in their properties

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**Risks**

Potential risk that not all monies are spent within the restricted timescale of the grant award (all monies required to be spent by April 2012). In terms of the grants themselves there is no specific risk as all works must meet eligibility criteria set out in the grant conditions.

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**Funding Source:**
**External Funding**

- (i) Source and Quantity: Department Of Health £235k

<b>Committee</b>	CSA					
<b>Capital/Revenue</b> (delete as appropriate)						
Spending profile/ method of funding	Spend to 31/3/11 £	2011/12 £	2012/13 £	2013/14 £	Later Years £	Total £
Internal Funding						
External Funding		195,000	235,000			
Total Cost/savings		195,000	235,000			

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**Costs**
**Financial appraisal**

Financial Appraisal (Capital Schemes only)	(i)	Has the proposal been subjected to any form of financial appraisal? <b>None required</b>
	(ii)	

**Timescales** Award of grant specifies all grants must be awarded by April 2013

**Investment appraisal** None required

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**Evaluation** The scheme will provide a mechanism for providing grants specifically tailored to improving the quality of life of vulnerable people in the Borough, through improvements to central heating and insulation.

The grants are awarded according to specific defined criteria and are provided at no cost to the Council as the cost of the grants given is met in full from external grant funding secured for this project.

<b>Consultation</b>	Waiting list carried forward from previous funding
<b>Interfaces (internal/ external) Impact on other services Dependencies Completion criteria/ exit strategy</b>	May impact on other Environmental Health work
<b>Sensitivity to key assumptions</b>	
<b>Other approvals required</b>	None
<b>Equalities Impact Assessment</b>	Attached