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### Helping Our Communities to Save Energy in their Homes

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## Time to act is now...



- 6,702 households in fuel poverty in Rotherham (6.1%) – set to rise.
- £1,287 average dual fuel bill in GB.
   £714 / 125% increase since Jan 2003

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# Help and Support (1)



#### SAVE N WARM Scheme



Discounted Heating and Insulation installation – subsidised by Npower and the South Yorkshire Energy Advice Centre.

To Qualify, households must be in South Yorkshire and be able to pay the discounted, £249 fee.

In Rotherham, during 2007/08:

545 households benefited from loft insulation

- 783 households benefited from cavity insulation
- 158 households benefited from heating replacement

# Help and Support (2)



Warm Front Scheme



Government-funded flag ship scheme for free insulation and heating

To qualify, residents must be home owners or in private rented accommodation and be in receipt of benefits.

In Rotherham during 2007/08, 1,164 households benefited.

Levered in £1.2m funding into the Borough so far.

# Help and Support (3)



Energy efficiency in the home, Energy saving measures:

- How to get them
- How to use them

Grant advice, about insulation & heating upgrades.

As well as being a Signposting service to a whole range of schemes and services.



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- A partnership referral project, involving the Home Fire Safety Team, PCT and Benefits which offers energy efficiency advice during home visits and appointments.
- Ensuring as many people as possible, particularly the vulnerable, are able to access energy advice and benefits.

# Help and Support (5)



The **Neighbourhood Energy Action Scheme** has enabled RMBC:

• To address fuel poverty and energy efficiency; four Neighbourhood Energy Officers (NEO's) will provide a doorstep, 'One Stop Shop'.

 4000 households in the most vulnerable wards in Rotherham will be targeted, taking advice to the communities in most need first!

• NEO's will be saving on global warming by using electric bikes to get around!

#### **Energy Roadshows**

The Energy Efficiency and Affordable Warmth Team has been taking their exhibition to the communities and spreading the word:

At 10 Flu Clinics – 200 visitors at each At a Housing Association During Neighbourhood Surgeries In Schools and homes At Thurcroft environmental project which resulted in 50 referrals And on the radio - 3 interviews this month!





## And Finally...



To arrange a roadshow at a venue near you, for energy saving light-bulbs, for energy advice, for help accessing energy efficiency schemes or just to ask questions...

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