

Appendix A: Coventry City Council Report to the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change in accordance with Section 5 of the Home Energy Conservation Act 1995.

March 2013.

POLICY	POSITION AND PROPOSALS	TIMING
i) LOCAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY AMBITIONS AND PRIORITIES		
Tackling fuel poverty and reducing carbon emissions in the housing sector	<p>The City Council's Housing and Homelessness Strategy states that improving energy efficiency and affordable warmth across all tenure is a priority.</p> <p>The City Council's Climate Change Strategy aims to influence Coventry residents to reduce carbon emissions and improve energy efficiency at home.</p> <p>The Coventry Partnership Sustainable Community Strategy aims to help residents to reduce energy use and carbon emissions.</p>	<p>2013 - 2018</p> <p>2020</p> <p>2014</p>
ii) MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO ACHIEVE SIGNIFICANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HOUSING SECTOR		
Green Deal	We will continue to track the development of the Green Deal market, and will complete an evaluation of the options available to the City Council to influence Green Deal delivery.	2013
Energy Company Obligation (ECO)	We will work to maximise the investment of ECO in the City by energy companies and installers.	2013 - 2015
DECC competition	We will implement the City Council's fuel poverty project following receipt of funding from the Department Energy and Climate Change. We will again bid competitively for funding should further competitions be announced.	2013 - 2014
Warm Homes Healthy People Fund	Following the City's two successful bids to the Department of Health's Warm Homes Healthy People Fund in 2011 and 2012, we will again bid competitively for funding should further funding be announced.	2013
Affordable Warmth Action Plan	In accordance with the City Council's Housing and Homelessness Strategy and Climate Change Strategy, we will prepare an Affordable Warmth Action Plan. The Plan will provide further details of proposals to improve the energy efficiency of the housing sector.	2013
Energy efficiency information and advice	We will seek to raise awareness of domestic energy efficiency measures and will provide information about the assistance available to home owners, tenants and private landlords.	Ongoing
Private rented sector	We will seek to raise the awareness of private rented sector landlords of their future legal obligations relating to energy efficiency standards.	2013 - 2016

Aerial thermal imaging survey	We will implement a further survey of the city in 2013 and will use the results to raise awareness of energy efficiency and to identify households that may benefit from assistance.	Ongoing
Energy Performance Certificates (EPC's)	We will seek to raise awareness of EPC's and the information they provide, and will analyse data on EPC's to identify households that may benefit from assistance.	Ongoing
iii) PROPOSED MEASURES TO DELIVER AREA-BASED DOMESTIC ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS		
	We will actively pursue opportunities to bring inward investment into the city to enable ECO-funded area-based schemes to take place. We will liaise with energy companies, installers and registered social landlords to encourage investment.	2013 - 2015
iv) NATIONAL AND LOCAL PARTNERS		
	<p>We will work with local and national partners to improve energy efficiency in Coventry.</p> <p>Our local partners include: registered social landlords, AgeUK, Citizens Advice Bureau, Coventry National Energy Action, the Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership, Warwickshire County Council and Warwickshire District and Borough Councils, the Renewable Energy Technology Alliance and local insulation and heating contractors, Act on Energy.</p> <p>Our national partners include: energy companies, the Local Government Association, the Department of Energy and Climate Change.</p>	Ongoing