

**NOTICE OF MOTION
LABOUR AND COOPERATIVE GROUP**

HEALTHY HOMES

This council resolves:

To request that the Chief Executive writes to the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change and the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government urging more coordinated and targeted action at a national level to reduce fuel poverty and deliver healthy homes for our city.

Proposed by: Councillor Meadows Seconded by: Councillor Yates

Supported by: Councillors Allen, Atkinson, Barford, Barradell, Bewick, Cattell, Chapman, Daniel, Gilbey, Hamilton, Hill, Horan, Inkpin-Leissner, Marsh, Mitchell, Moonan, Morgan, Morris, O'Quinn, Penn and Robins.

Supporting information:

There is a local partnership to deliver the 'Warmth for Wellbeing' fuel poverty and cold homes programme throughout 2016 and the ongoing work to develop an over-arching Fuel Poverty and Affordable Warmth strategy for the city.

There is a need to note:

The limited impact the government's Energy Company Obligation and Green Deal initiatives have had in reducing fuel poverty and ensuring people have a warm home particularly those in the Private Rented Sector.

The piecemeal initiatives run by the government

The challenges to delivering warm homes in the city due to the Regency and Victorian style of buildings and amount of private rented sector

The impact on older people and families with children of living in cold and damp homes. 12% of homes in the city are estimated to be in fuel poverty

The city has a higher than national average of pre 1919 housing stock and has the 9th largest private rented sector in England and Wales.

Still Cold: What next for older people in cold homes? Age UK 2015

<http://www.ageuk.org.uk/Global/Home%20and%20Care/LR%20Age%20UK%20ID202743%20Warm%20Homes%20Campaign%20Report.pdf?epslanguage=en-GB?dtrk=true>

Chance of a lifetime: The impact of bad housing on children's lives. 2006. Shelter

https://england.shelter.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/66364/Lifchancereport.pdf

