

# Warmer Homes Local Grant. (WH:LG)

Scheme prioritisation - public information

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## Prioritisation summary

### Summary

Staffordshire County Council is launching the Warmer Homes: Local Grant (WH:LG) scheme to help residents make their homes warmer and healthier.

Due to limited funding, not everyone who applies will be able to receive support.

This summary explains how we will decide who gets help first, aiming to support those who need it most.

### Scheme Overview

The WH:LG scheme provides funding to improve home heating and energy efficiency for eligible households in Staffordshire. The goal is to reduce the health risks associated with living in cold homes, especially for those who are most vulnerable. Funding is available for approximately 284 homes between now and March 2028.

Guidance published by the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero permits Local Authorities to manage over demand by not taking a first come first served approach.

### Our Prioritisation Approach

To make the biggest difference, we must focus on those most at risk from cold homes.

There are 3 pre-determined pathways for an individual to be eligible to apply for WH:LG.

#### **Applications from these pathways will be prioritised as follows:**

- **Pathway 2** (Top Priority): Households where someone receives means-tested benefits, has poor health, and is in financial hardship.
- **Pathway 3** (Second Priority): Households with low income after paying for housing, but not necessarily with health issues.
- **Pathway 1** (Last Priority): Households living in areas identified as the lowest 20% income deprived, based on postcode, but without further evidence of vulnerability or low income.

## Process

Applications are managed by Community Home Solutions, who will check eligibility and follow the above approach.

Regular meetings with the Councils delivery teams will ensure the scheme is on track and that the right people are being helped.

This process will be continually monitored and formally reviewed every six months to make sure it remains effective and fair.

## Further information

Further information about the **Staffordshire Warmer Homes, 'Warm Homes: Local Grant'** scheme can be found at [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/warmerhomes](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/warmerhomes)

