

AFFORDABLE WARMTH SCHEME – UPDATE	6 TH June 2017		
TO: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	,		
FOR INFORMATION			

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)				
Strategic Theme	Resilient Health & Engaged Communities			
Outcome	Improved Home Delivery Energy Efficiency			
Lead Officer	Head of Health & Built Environment			
Cost: (If applicable)	Funded by DFC			

Background

Members will recall that during the 2016/17 financial year all Councils were asked to refer 506 clients through to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the Affordable Warmth Scheme energy efficiency grant.

We are pleased to inform you that this target was achieved with the Affordable Warmth Team referring 507 clients for energy efficiency measures. Breakdown of District Electoral Area and Ward to follow. An additional 2 were completed on behalf of Derry City and Strabane District Council. Details furnished by the Department of Communities indicate that during this time the value of approvals issued within Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area equated to £2,345,705.27, this was the highest throughout Northern Ireland.

The same financial year saw the establishment of a signposting referral system which was developed to refer clients to other agencies, community groups or Council services to avail of additional support or advice. This is an important aspect of the work the team undertake and has been valued by the clients. House visits resulted in 696 referrals being made to the following agencies:

<u>Agency</u>	Number of referrals		
Age NI	49		
Age Concern	1		
Energy Efficiency Advice Service *	237		
Home Accident Prevention *	117		
Causeway Older Active Strategic Team (COAST)	140		
Red Cross	4		
Food Bank	6		
Citizens Advice Bureau	117		
Good Morning Causeway	7		
Alzheimer's Society	3		
Environmental Health*	10		
55+ Forum	5		

^{*}Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council service

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Council Area	Referrals to NIHE	Approvals to proceed with works	Value of Approvals	Measures Installed	Homes Improved
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Antrim and Newtownabbey	429	362	£1,235,498.59	636	366
Ards and North Down	505	420	£1,782,811.79	885	436
Armagh Banbridge and Craigavon	513	417	£2,131,078.39	777	396
Belfast	534	593	£2,096,984.34	1,327	646
Causeway Coast and Glens	509	517	£2,345,705.27	956	548
Derry and Strabane	501	513	£2,266,972.80	1,156	570
Fermanagh and Omagh	450	321	£1,577,965.69	699	363
Lisburn and Castlereagh	536	397	£1,542,181.45	857	385
Mid and East Antrim	442	390	£1,476,003.90	714	390
Mid Ulster	506	366	£1,843,549.27	1,011	492
Newry Mourne and Down	501	444	£2,222,789.04	945	477
Total 2016/2017	5,426	4,740	£20,521,540.53	9,963	5,069