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ALEO North West

Winner: Angela Broadhurst

Coordinator of Warm Homes Oldham

Collected by: David Colbourne

Angela has been the coordinator of the Warm Homes Oldham scheme since 2012 and has brought partners and funders together to make it an award winning venture that has lifted over 3,500 people in Oldham out of fuel poverty.

As well as managing Warm Homes Oldham, in the last year Angela has:

- Delivered successful Affordable Warmth strategies
- Arranged winter health events each year which regularly have over 500 residents attending
- Supported Age UK Oldham to secure funding to pay for winter warmth packs
- Set up an emergency heating scheme in partnership with Age UK Oldham

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Winner: Portsmouth City Council Energy Team

Collected by: Andrew Waggott

Over the past 12 months, the Energy Services Team at Portsmouth City Council have made significant capital investments into renewable Solar PV, LED lighting and Building Energy Management Systems Installations.

Fuel poverty is a key aspect of the energy team's daily work, through advice, signposting, interventions and training. The team has created a new energy switching service providing a 100% independent energy advice platform.

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Winner: Zoe Farmer

of the Housing Services Team, Teignbridge District Council

Collected by: Alison Robinson

Zoe's contributions to ALEO goals in the South West have been:

- Taking a whole house approach to assist park home owners to improve the energy efficiency of their homes through a combination of carrying out a variety of works such as insulation and heating and providing general energy saving advice in people's homes, including advice on fuel switching.
- Improving the energy efficiency of properties through the council's loans and grants schemes, helping those who are most vulnerable to increase the warmth of their homes.
- Delivery of the Pioneer Places scheme which has provided grant assistance to householders to help with the costs of installing external wall insulation on their properties.
- As the lead local authority, delivery of the Central Heating Fund and involvement in delivery of ECO schemes.

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ALEO London

Winner: Natalie Sansom **Climate Change Officer, Harrow Council**

Natalie leads on the borough's Warm Homes Healthy People (WHHP) programme that is delivered by Thinking Works. Natalie is companionate and dedicated and has consistently gone above and beyond the remit of her role to help Harrow residents out of fuel poverty and help vulnerable residents stay warm and well.

Her dedication contributed to the programme winning an NEA Community Action Award in 2016.

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Winner: Park Home Retrofit Project at Shepherds Grove Park in Stanton, Suffolk

Collected by: Andrew Oswald

In 2015, a successful bid was submitted to National Grid's Energy Innovation Fund to fund energy efficiency improvements at Shepherds Grove Park in Stanton, Suffolk.

In total, £100,000 was secured to fund new gas central heating systems and external wall insulation (EWI). National Grid also installed new gas connections to 14 homes where the residents were over the age of 70. In addition, match funding was provided by St Edmundsbury Borough Council and the county-wide Warm Homes Healthy People project.

**Runners up: Peterborough Energy Home Visits
and Eleanor Carter Norwich City Council**

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West Midlands ALEO

Winner: Warm and Well in Warwickshire

Collected by: Rachel Jones

Warm and Well in Warwickshire which has been funded for the last two years by public health Warwickshire to address issues of excess winter deaths and the links to fuel poverty. The scheme provides both physical interventions in the form of heating, insulation, servicing, repairs etc alongside a comprehensive information advice and guidance service.

The project is funded by public health with the lead commissioner being Nadia Inglis from Public Health Warwickshire. The project is delivered on the ground and managed by Leanne Durnford who has gone beyond the call of duty to assist some of the most vulnerable householders in the county and not only ensure they are lifted out of fuel poverty but also assisted households with onward referrals to other agencies.

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ALEO East Midlands

Winner: Northants Warm Homes Partnership

Collected by: Karen Lond

The Partnership provides a forum for the exchange of information and promotion of good practice in the field of domestic energy efficiency and to promote, develop and assist local authority domestic energy efficiency strategies. The Partnership is made up of each of the eight local authorities across the county of Northamptonshire who aim to help and encourage residents to insulate their home in an environmentally friendly and affordable way.

- Corby Borough Council
- Daventry District Council
- East Northamptonshire Council
- Kettering Borough Council
- Northampton Borough Council
- Northamptonshire County Council
- South Northamptonshire Council
- Wellingborough Borough Council
- National Energy Action (NEA)

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CAN Cymru Housing

Winner: Denbighshire County Council Energy Conservation Program

Collected by: Hazel Hill

The DCC Energy Conservation Program is an ambitious program that has improved c.1000 homes, utilising only externally sourced funding.

Not satisfied delivering capital measures alone, the program is firmly fixated on sustainable development principles. This brings tangible improvements to the local environment, economy and society; reducing thousands of tonnes of CO2 emissions, leveraging millions of pounds into the local economy, delivering an educational program and developing a successful, collaborative and innovative initiative to enhance employment prospects of local unemployed people.

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