



**Warwickshire, Worcestershire & Coventry
Energy Efficiency Advice Centre**

Annual Report to Warwick District Council

WEEAC Activity 2003-2004



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OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITY

- The cost to the Council during the period was £7,628 for the WEEAC service level agreement. EST's contribution to activity within the area was £9,847.
- **WEEAC processed 1,232 Home energy check questionnaires.**
- An additional question to the HEC questionnaire is used to calculate percentage improvement. HECA monitoring responses for this year includes 865. DEFRA consider that 400 randomly selected householders is the minimum number required
- The results of this years monitoring based on revised HECA strategy:
 - **4.29 % improvement for 2003/2004**
 - **19,304 tonnes of CO2 saved in 2003/2004**
 - **£31.171m cost of the measures for 2003/2004**
 - **22.52% improvement since 1996**
- The results of this years monitoring indicates the Council is ahead of the required target to achieve the target of 30% by 2011 although it is reasonable to indicate that the rate of improvement is expected to slow down over the next few years.
- The rate of installation of measures is ahead of target to achieve the 30% improvement. Loft insulation top-ups showed the lowest level of improvement. Progress on boiler improvements is going well and this will include conversion to combination boilers thus reducing the opportunity for tank insulation. This explains the low level of hot water tank insulation installations. Heating controls were the lowest performing measures indicating a potential lack of compliance with the Building Regulations.
- WEEAC carried out a variety of activities in the area to raise awareness and the profile of energy efficiency in the area, including a number of community group presentations. The council took advantage of one front-line staff training sessions offered under the SLA. however no councillor training sessions were carried out.
- The raw data file containing all information from EST data base will be supplied to the Local Authority following subject to completion of EST's Data Protection Agreement

Recommendations for Activity in 2004/2005

- The rate of improvement is currently meeting the projected target of 30% by 2011, however it is reasonable to assume that the improvement will diminish over time and become more difficult. Therefore the current level of activity needs to be at minimum maintained.
- In comparison to other measures loft insulation showed the poorest improvement. It is important to maintain the momentum of current promotion to increase the number of measures installed. More focus is needed to raise the profile of improving home insulation since this represents the most significant area for improvement.
- Take advantage of opportunities under the WEEAC SLA to raise awareness and the profile of HECA. Organise training sessions for staff and Councillors, the SLA offers 4 sessions. Continue to provide opportunities for WEEAC to deliver exhibitions, presentations and training sessions to the local community such as WI's and CAB.
- The LASP action plan included in the report provides a breakdown of recommended activity for 2004/2005.

Warwick District Council- HECA Action Plan 2004-2005

Aim	Activity	By Whom	Key Dates	Achieved
Internal Partnerships	1. 2 Half-day training sessions for internal front-line staff - Set up training session within Council Offices - Carryout training sessions	LA WEEAC		
Internal Partnerships	2. Carryout 2 one-hour training sessions/ presentations for Councillor and chief Officers - Organise training sessions within Council Offices - Carryout presentations	LA WEEAC		
External Partnerships	3. External Partnerships - Organise Consortium Meeting - Attend Consortium Meeting - Arrange presentations, training sessions and exhibitions for community Groups - Deliver presentations, training sessions and exhibitions to community groups	WEEAC LA LA WEEAC	Quarterly	
Fuel Poverty	4. Affordable Warmth Activity - Promote Warm Front and Council Grants - Affordable Warmth Strategy- develop and carryout	LA WEEAC /LA /NEA		
Partnerships	5. Encourage higher energy efficiency standards in social housing	WEEAC/LA		
LASP	6. Provision of advice and information to HECA officer for carrying out Council's HECA strategy	WEEAC		
Measures	7. Carryout promotional activity which will result in completion of 1000 HEC's. - 1000 HEC's - additional HEC's	WEEAC LA		
Measures	8. Promote insulation and condensing boiler discount/grant schemes	WEEAC /LA		
Funding	9. HECAction (SWEEP) - Provide advice and reporting - Identify target groups - Project Management	WEEAC LA WEEAC		
Funding	10. Investigate funding opportunities - Put together ideas for schemes - Bid for funding	WEEAC/ LA LA		
Publicity	11. Carryout publicity and marketing campaign to raise awareness - Carryout local campaigns along side national campaigns - Liase with publicity department to carryout local publicity campaigns	WEEAC LA	Oct 04 / Feb 05	
Marketing	12. Carryout community group presentations	WEEAC		
Marketing	11. Carryout presentations to schools	WEEAC		
Marketing	13. Carryout energy awareness scheme with local employers	WEEAC		
Monitoring	14. Analyse data for HECA monitoring and progress reporting	WEEAC	April 05	
Reporting	16. Prepare annual report for HECA progress reporting	WEEAC	May 05	