

Glasgow's Affordable Warmth Programme – Acceptance of Energy Efficient Scotland: Area Based Schemes grant award for 2024/25 approved.

4 Councillor Millar, City Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, presented a report regarding the award of funding from the Scottish Government's Energy Efficient Scotland: Area Based Schemes (EES:ABS) programme for 2024/25, advising that

- (1) the Scottish Government in 2015 had designated energy efficiency as a national infrastructure priority and the EES:ABS programme aimed to tackle fuel poverty and improve energy efficiency, contributing to making Scotland's existing buildings near zero carbon by 2045 whenever feasible and the EES:ABS programme supported the key objectives of Glasgow's Local Housing Strategy 2023-28;
- (2) the overarching objective of the EES:ABS programme was to provide funding to assist owner-occupiers and households living in private rented homes, who were in or were at risk of fuel poverty, to install energy efficiency measures through implementing a fabric first approach, as detailed in the report;
- (3) this was the 12th year of the Area Based Schemes programme and for 2024/25, the Scottish Government had awarded the Council £6,845,491 from the Energy Efficient Scotland Programme and in line with the Scottish Government guidelines to identify fuel poor households, the EES:ABS programme in Glasgow would be targeted in those geographic areas that met the criteria, as detailed in the report; and
- (4) the identification of projects that could be delivered through the EES:ABS programme was data driven, with an analysis of house construction type, profiling by area and review of previous measures undertaken which enabled viable projects which met the criteria of the scheme to be developed at scale.

After consideration, the committee accepted the award of £6,845,491 of Energy Efficient Scotland: Area Based Schemes grant funding for 2024/25.