

## Isle of Wight Council, Housing Renewal Section

### Warm One Island Grant

A grant to assist owners to undertake work to improve the hazard of excess cold, by undertaking the following eligible work as described and prioritised per applicant below;

#### **A. Eligible Persons:**

- Applicants must have owned and lived in the property for two years on application, *AND*
- Be aged 60 or over, *OR* Have an occupying child under the age 19

#### **B. Financial Contribution:**

- Applicants in receipt of an income, or disability, related benefit will have **NO** contribution.
- Applicants not in receipt of an income, or disability, related benefit will have to pay 50%.

#### **C. Eligible works for Warm One Island Grant, in priority order per application:**

1. Work involving insulating the home, for example cavity wall, roof, pipe.
2. Work to resolve heating deficiencies. For example, top ups for Warm Front grants where the applicant must pay a contribution, or for gas fires, central heating or electrical heating systems where appropriate. A deficiency may be a broken, unsuitable, inefficient or missing heating system to a habitable room.
3. Work to improve the energy efficiency of external windows and doors. For example, provision of double glazed windows and doors, or repairs to existing windows/doors and glazing (even if single glazed).

#### **D. Non-Eligible works:**

- Work which can reasonably be paid, or undertaken, via another grant or source e.g. Warm Front, Insurance, Handyperson service, etc.

#### **Other Matters**

The maximum individual grant is £5,000, and successive grants are allowed but with a maximum of £5,000 in three year period.

The grant is discretionary and dependent upon resources being available. There is no mandatory entitlement to this grant.

An application for a grant will not be entertained for any completed work to an element of the building, and a grant will not be approved for payment in retrospect. Incomplete projects may be eligible, but the partially completed, or completed elements of it are not.

Further to a full application being received the Council reserve the right not to approve a grant, or approve a grant for a lesser amount than it would normally, where resources are limited or unavailable.

Whether a legal charge is placed or not, the grant must be repaid in full if the property is sold/disposed of within 10 years. Where the grant is due to be repaid, a disposal due to death of all of the relevant applicants and interested parties mentioned in the original application will be exempt. In any other situation an exemption from repayment will only be agreed in exceptional circumstances, which may include circumstances of financial hardship or disability needs.

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