

Fuel Poverty Resource Sheet 2024 - 2025

Winter Fuel 2024 - 2025 - Some schemes may only be available at certain times of the year (please check individual websites for most up-to-date information.) Name of Charity, Who is eligible? Aim of scheme/s. Contact details. Website link or further information. Project, Organisation, CIC, or Business. **ACTS 435** A national crowdfunding website for white goods or other essential items. **Any** person in Anything is considered. T: 07878 013882 need. (Monday - Friday 9am-A person in need meets with an 'agent' (from any recognised organisation) ACTS 435 can be applied to and they post an anonymous request for up to £150 on the website. 12pm) ACTS 435 is a giving for any amount up to the E: Truro Members of the public have **10** days in which to donate to that cause. maximum of £120.00, and website. allsaints435@gmail.com There are currently 2 centres operating in Cornwall, which are in **Bodmin** up to 3 times per financial E: Bodmin and Truro, covering East and West Cornwall. year. Jon.langford@lightandlife.c Funding is reliant on donation and therefore cannot be guaranteed. o.uk Please visit <u>www.acts435.org.uk</u> – including information for agents. **Affordable Warmth Both** homeowners Affordable Warmth T: 0800 9956564 Offering fully funded heating measures to qualifying homes across Britain. **Solutions** and private manages the £160m Measures can include **insulation** or **low carbon** central heating systems. landlords can **National Grid Homes Fund** W: Home Heating & Insulation » Affordable Warmth Solutions apply. **Programme** and funds the Award Winning Connected for Warmth scheme. TAP provides help T: 01872 223388 TAP perform an invaluable role in the community, providing individuals, Age UK Appointments such as to get to nonhospital, optician, dental, organisations, and groups with the opportunity to find out what transport foot care or audiology We is available, identify the cost and to book & co-ordinate the service with emergency healthcare also offer transport for ease. appointments if library trips, visiting friends, **W**: Age UK Cornwall & The Isles of Scilly | Transport Services (TAP) struggling with shopping and out of county health care appointments. public transport



British Gas Energy Trust British Gas Energy Trust	Applications are welcomed from families and individuals in need, suffering or other distress.	May clear household debts or pay for white goods.	Visit www.britishgasenergytrust. org.uk for ways to make contact.	Eligibility applies – e.g., minimum electric debt of £250 applies. For full criteria please visit the website.
Cornwall Community Foundation - Crisis Fund Cornwall Community Foundation	For those living in Cornwall who are in crisis and are urgently in need of small, one-off amounts of money.	These funds can be accessed through charitable organisations throughout Cornwall who hold a pot of funds, to distribute to individuals when necessary.	T: 01566 779333 E: office@cornwallfoundation. com	Charitable organisations can apply for an initial £500 to distribute small amounts, usually no more than £200 to individuals where there is a need for immediate help. W: Cornwall Community Foundation
Community Energy Plus COMMUNITY ENERGY PLUS	Helping householders and communities in Cornwall & the Isles of Scilly.	Free independent energy advice. Grants are available to help with insulation and heating upgrades, including low carbon technologies. Help also available for qualifying householders struggling with energy costs - emergency electricity pre- pay top-up vouchers (frontline worker referral required) and access to the Household Support Fund. The above is not an exhaustive list.	(Freephone) T: 0800 954 1956 or 01872 245566 E: advice@cep.org.uk	W: www.cep.org.uk Community Energy Plus provides free advice to help householders reduce their energy bills. We provide vulnerable householders in Cornwall with emergency energy help, short-term support and long-term solutions to achieve warmer, healthier homes. This advice includes energy efficiency, understanding energy bills, tariff switching and dealing with fuel debt. The charity's team of energy advisers can help householders to access grants for heating and insulation by providing referrals directly to local installers. They provide advice over the phone and face to face at outreach events across Cornwall. When in-depth advice and casework is required, home visits may be offered where appropriate.



Cornwall Home Solutions CORNWALL COUNCIL	Offering home solutions to enable residents to manage staying safe in their homes.	The Home Solutions Team includes ; Handypersons, Occupational Therapists, Keyworkers and Surveyors.	www.cornwall.gov.uk/home solutions T: 01872 224707 E: adaptationsteam@cornwall. gov.uk	Offering home solutions that can help residents to manage staying safe at home. Talking about the range of services available, the Home Solutions Team includes; Handypersons, Occupational Therapists, Keyworkers and Surveyors. Working across Cornwall, offering solutions that can help people stay safe at home. This includes; Adapting your home and providing equipment, financial advice, and assistance, moving to more suitable and appropriate accommodation and household maintenance and repairs for those with a disability and/or over 60.
Cornwall Rural Community Charity CRCC SUPPORTING A STRENGTHANG COMMUNITYS COMMUNITYS	Support for Cornwall's Communities. This can include; Rural & Coastal, Education & Training or Carers & Wellbeing.	To strengthen and improve quality for life .	Redruth office T: 01872 273952 Penzance office T: 01736 334686	Carers and Wellbeing provides high-quality support services for unpaid carers in Cornwall, information and advice to increase wellbeing and connection to community and supports adults to build their confidence with digital skills. Education and Training delivering an Adult Education funded programme for young people aged 16- 24 who have an Education, Health & Care Plan. Rural and Coastal empowers local infrastructure in Cornwall, providing local spaces for businesses, groups, and individuals. Supports the Voluntary and Community Sector. and community groups to reduce litter, protect our landscape, and demonstrate their impact as well as seeking grant funding and providing sustainable support to fishing communities. W: Cornwall Rural Community Charity (cornwallrcc.org.uk)
Cornwall Wood Bank Cornwall Wood Bank	For households where low income does not meet outgoings (excluding personal debts). Must have facility to safely burn wood fuel.	Community Enterprise helping address fuel poverty in Cornwall. Offering a lifeline to those who are unable to heat their homes and have to choose between heating and eating.	T: 01209 899301 Or, contact your nearest sawmill to find out if/what they offer.	Similar to a food bank the wood bank offers a lifeline to those who are unable to heat their homes and have to choose between heating and eating. Many local sawmills offer offcuts and pallets for free or a charitable donation. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they cannot afford to use heating such as gas, electric or oil. Must be living in the postcode areas covered by the scheme East Cornwall to Lands Ends. Proof of income and expenditure will be required. W: http://www.cornishfirewood.co.uk/cornwall-wood-bank-scheme



EDF Customer Support Fund	For existing EDF Customers.	To support individuals struggling to manage household energy debt and wishing to back on track. As well as , supporting those in need of freestanding appliances.	Contact Us Residential Customer Support EDF (edfenergy.com)	W: EDF Energy Fund EDF Energy Customer Support Fund Charis (charisgrants.com) If your energy supplier is not listed, then please contact your existing energy supplier who can advise you. This may include, if you are struggling to pay your energy bills, concerned over energy debt or have other questions or concerns.
eon Next	For EON Next customers including Sainsburys Energy.	Applicants may be experiencing financial hardship or struggling to pay their energy bills.	Existing customers T:0808 501 5200	W: E.ON Next: Your home electricity & gas suppliers (eonnext.com) Are you struggling to pay your bills? (eonnext.com)
Lendology	Lendology collaborates closely with Cornwall Council to support the funding of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency measures for homeowners across the county, through The Green Home Improvement Scheme.	Together, Cornwall Council and Lendology CIC are partnering to oversee The Green Home Improvement Scheme initiative, geared towards empowering Cornish homeowners to finance retrofit measures, prioritise energy efficiency enhancements, and adopt sustainable technologies like solar panels, solar battery storage, and energy-efficient heating solutions such as heat pumps.	Link to apply – Full Loan Application Lendology	W: Cornwall Council - Lendology This partnership is all about making sustainable living more accessible and affordable for Cornish homeowners. With our support, you could make your home more energy-efficient, reduce your carbon footprint, and contribute to a greener Cornwall. The interest rate is set annually by the council. The current interest rate for homeowners in Cornwall is 4%. Everyone living in this area will receive the same interest rate, regardless of the loan amount, loan term or personal circumstances. The interest rate is fixed for the term of the loan. This project is funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Cornwall Council has been chosen by Government as a Lead Authority for the fund and is responsible for monitoring the progress of projects funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.



OVO Winter Support	OVO and Boost customers.	Customers can self-refer or be referred into for additional support with energy debts, keeping warm packs and more energy efficient white goods.	Please visit the website for ways to make contact.	W: Customer Support Package (ovoenergy.com)
Priority Services Register the SR co.uk	Gas, Electric, and Water companies.	A free service for anyone eligible, who is looking for additional support if they are vulnerable.	Western Power (electric) T: 0800 096 3080 Wales and West (mains gas) T: 0800 912 2999	Priority Services Register (PSR) is for vulnerable customers who may need help with their utilities. The general eligibility criteria to be registered includes: Being of pensionable age, chronically sick, registered disabled, children under 5 in the property or other specific needs such as, sight, no sense of smell, or hearing impairments. If consent is given, then one application for PSR can cover water, electric and gas so the customer does not have to contact each one separately. W: National Grid - Priority services (Previously Western Power) T: 0800 096 3080 Wales and West – W: Priority Services Register (PSR) Wales & West Utilities (www.tilities.co.uk)
South West South West Water	South West Water have created a Partnerships hub, to support organisations with referring their clients who need help with their South West Water account.	Contains useful information to enable you to assist your clients and apply for support on their behalf, including information on tariffs, grants, and other support we have available. Applications processed by Affordability team who will contact the customer direct.	If you would like to talk to someone on behalf of your client about their bill, debts, or payments, please contact: W: Contact us (episerver.net)	W: Apply for support (southwestwater.co.uk) (for referrers only) Customer will need to give their authority to discuss the account. WaterCare Team is also happy to talk you through support options available for your clients.



The Heating Oil Club The heating oil club	People living in Cornwall	The Heating Oil Club allows customers to obtain quote in real time.	The heating oil club — Contact us	A way to buy heating oil together and enjoy the savings and benefits this provides (enhanced buying power, maximum savings, convenient etc). Free to join, and you only ever pay for the oil you order. No extra charges. W: The heating oil club — Home
The Isles of Scilly Energy Clinic Isles of Scilly Community Venture	Residents of the Isles of Scilly.	The Energy Clinic is a team based on the islands that want to help with residents' electricity queries. They are a group who understands the difficulties of dealing with electricity providers not meeting the needs of the islands .	Currently , clinics are held in the Porthcressa Public Library. T: 01720 575301 E: info@ioscv.co.uk	W: ENERGY CLINIC Community Venture (ioscv.co.uk) Helping people understand their electric bills, resolve electricity queries, improve access to smart meters on Scilly for those who want them and , help people reduce their electricity bills. As of April 2024 - If you are from Tresco, Bryher, St Martin's or St Agnes and you need an appointment please contact the energy clinic. They have not started visiting away from St Mary's yet, but we are keen to know if support is needed elsewhere.
Volunteer Cornwall Transport Volunteer Cornwall	All eligible patients.	We have voluntee r drivers right across the county to help you get around Cornwall , all of our drivers have continuous training and enhanced DBS checks .	Anyone can use the service just give us a call. T: 01872 265300	Only currently accepting journeys with at least 10 days' notice (with exception of emergency hospital appointments). Team of transport coordinators match people with a volunteer driver. Journeys cost 45p per mile travelled by the volunteer driver, plus a £3 booking fee per journey. <u>Transport - Volunteer Cornwall</u>
Warm Homes Discount Scheme GOV.UK	Core group persons = pension credit guarantee element who should get automatically and Broader group = vulnerable criteria, decided by each energy supplier.	Credit to electricity accounts (or vouchers for prepayment meters) Applications are now closed and will re-open October 2024	Warm Home Discount Scheme helpline T: 0845 603 9439 Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm	W: https://www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme/what-youll-get



Winter Fuel Payment GOV.UK	You will usually get a Winter Fuel Payment automatically if you receive State Pension or another social security benefit (not Housing Benefit, Council Tax Reduction or Child Benefit).	Tax-free payment for over 60's, usually paid each year in November.	Helpline: T: 08459 151515	You will need to claim Winter Fuel Payment if you've not had it before and either of the following apply: you do not receive benefits or State Pension, you only receive Housing Benefit, Council Tax Reduction, or Child Benefit. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/winter-fuel-payment-claimform
Winter Wellbeing Wellbeing	Applicants may have a long-term health condition/s and may also be struggling to keep warm and well in the winter. Winter wellbeing projects are also relevant to other times of the year, especially Summer - in the lead up to Winter.	Advice and emergency funding (dependant on availability).	T:0800 954156 E: winterwellbeing@cornwall.g ov.uk W: http://www.cornwall.gov.u k/winterwellbeing	Projects under the winter wellbeing umbrella include; LA FLEX (ECO4 / Help to Heat) – Can include; cavity wall / external wall / internal wall / loft insulation, boiler upgrades, solar panels (subject to survey - properties also need to be owner occupied or private rented, with EPC bands of D or below – Find an EPC certificate here What is the postcode? – Find an energy certificate – GOV.UK (find-energy-certificate.service.gov.uk)) Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) – For off grid gas homes. Measures can include; air source heat pumps, insulation, boiler upgrades (subject to survey and as above – owner occupied or private rented with eligible EPC banding, D or below. Some landlord contribution will be required. Warm Homes Discount – In partnership with Community Energy Plus. For boiler upgrades, heated throws, energy advice and home visits.



Yes Energy Solutions	Anyone can contact	Aiming to help those	The free YES Greener	Helping eligible people to get free funding for heating or insulation.
100	Yes Energy	wishing to reduce energy	Homes Advice Line is	
VIEC	Solutions for advice	usage, keep their home	accessible to everyone.	Yes Energy Solutions can check if you are eligible and are with you every
energy	or support.	warmer and energy bills		step of the way - guiding you on how to improve your living space and go
solutions		more affordable. By giving	T: 03301 359 110	green.
		advice on easy changes and		
		help to access free funding		Their friendly team have helped over 10,000 people in the last three years
		for home upgrades.		to upgrade their homes to make them greener and more affordable .
		Whether you have		
		questions about energy-		Their service is completely free because they are a community company set
		saving tips, need help with		up to help people, using a proportion of their profits to give back to the
		understanding your energy		communities in which they work. That means you will get honest,
		bills, or want guidance on		independent advice and support from Yes Energy Solutions, every time.
		making your home more		
		energy-efficient, Yes Energy		Home YES Energy Solutions
		Solutions experts are able		
		to provide information		
		needed to save money and		
		help protect the		
		environment.		

Please see below link to our Winter Wellbeing guides (23/24) for Cornwall & the Isles of Scilly

Winter Wellbeing 2023-24 A5 (cornwall.gov.uk) - Cornwall

cornwall.gov.uk/media/25vnontd/winter-wellbeing ios 2023-24 march24.pdf - Isles of Scilly

Please also see link to Inclusion Cornwall's Cost-of-Living Resource Sheet, full of useful information for customers and referral partners. https://inclusioncornwall.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Cost-of-Living-Resource-Sheet-v8-7-May-2024.docx

If you are aware of any of the above being incorrect or wish to update your section, then please email –

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