

Appendix **A**

Summary of Home Energy Conservation Act (HECA) 1995 new requirements

In summary, the requirements on local authorities under HECA are now:

- to set their own priorities, ambitions and targets in relation to carbon reduction and fuel poverty that are aligned to local needs and circumstances
- to deliver within the overarching framework of the ambitious Climate Change Act 2008 that is underpinning local and central government action
- to make links with other strategic priorities such as economic regeneration, physical regeneration, supporting local businesses, creating local jobs, fuel poverty alleviation, carbon reduction, health and poverty
- to work in partnership with national and local partners
- to take advantage of financial assistance that is available to them such as the Green Deal, ECO and Renewable Heat Incentive
- to implement energy efficiency improvements cost-effectively in residential accommodation using an area-based street by street approach
- to prepare a report by 31 March 2013 detailing the energy conservation measures that the authority considers practicable, cost-effective and like to result in significant improvement in the energy efficiency of residential accommodation in its area. All above aspects should be captured in the report
- To submit progress reports at 2 yearly intervals up to and including 31 March 2027

To enable compliance with several of the above requirements, the Council have commissioned energy related stock condition data information. This is required to help inform the report and will be presented at the workshop planned for 20th February 2013.