

**HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT 1995
NINTH PROGRESS REPORT (2005)
FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2004 TO 31 MARCH 2005**



Please complete this form in full and return it and one copy to your Government Office **no later than 30 September 2005**. Before completing this form you should read the accompanying guidance.

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1. Have there been any changes to the following elements of your authority’s Home Energy Conservation Act (HECA) strategy in the period covered by this report?

Please summarise elements of the energy conservation report prepared in 1996 (your “HECA strategy”) in the first column of the table below, taking account of any amendments made to the strategy up to and including 31 March 2004. Changes made prior to this date will already have been recorded by Defra from information you have provided. However, if any changes have been made

between 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005, please tick the relevant “Yes, changes” box(es) and enter the new figure(s) in the final column. If there have been no changes, please tick the “No change” boxes. Refinements to strategies may be necessary from time to time, but fundamental changes to the original strategy are not anticipated. Please explain any changes.

	HECA strategy up to 31 March '04	No change since 1 April '04	Yes, changes since 1 April '04	New figures following changes since 1 April '04
a) Overall energy efficiency improvement identified	27.5%	✓		per cent
b) Number of years to implement the measures identified	15	✓		Years
c) Total cost of implementation of all measures	£86.3m	✓		£ Millions
d) CO ₂ reduction per annum as a result of all the measures identified	15,010	✓		Tonnes per annum
e) Indicate the 1 April 1996 baseline energy use (in GJ) against which energy efficiency improvements are being measured	9,977,552 GJ	✓		GJ

Reasons for any changes identified above: It would be helpful if you could provide details of how development of your strategy has been taken forward.	
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2. Are you monitoring changes in the energy efficiency of the housing stock in your area, in order to be able to report progress as required by HECA? YES NO

If you answered "Yes", please describe briefly:

(a) the methodology used to monitor progress, listing the main data sources

(b) how you are monitoring the success of activities designed to promote energy efficiency

If you answered "No", please give reasons.

Methodology used to monitor progress and success of information, advice, education and promotion activities

a) Methodology used to monitor progress

The council commissioned a survey of domestic energy efficiency which was undertaken by New Perspectives Social Research Consultancy with OPERA carrying out the fieldwork. This approach is consistent with the previous two HECA reports also informed by similar survey's. A random sample of 400 households within LB Haringey was interviewed by telephone using a CATI (Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing) system. The questionnaire was designed to provide details of the energy efficiency measures in place in homes, recent installations, measures that needed repairing or replacing, householders motivations for taking measures and their use of energy efficiency advice and grants. The data have been grossed up to the total number of homes within LB Haringey and weighted to reflect the estimated profile of housing within the borough by tenure age of property and built form. Questions were also asked which were designed to estimate levels of fuel poverty in the borough.

Additional information obtained through the monitoring of the Here to HELP energy efficiency commitment programme managed by the Eaga Partnership Limited was used to monitor progress. This data includes evidence of energy efficiency and anti fuel poverty work carried out on over 900 properties to March 2005.

b) How we are monitoring the success of activities designed to promote energy efficiency:

One of the primary sources of information used to monitor the success of energy efficiency activities was the report of the survey mentioned above. The main objectives of the survey undertaken by New Perspectives were to assess the current levels of energy efficiency of dwellings in Haringey across all tenures and to assess improvements in energy efficiency made during the period May 2004 – April 2005.

Other ways of monitoring include reporting by Eaga Partnership on energy efficiency measures installed through the Here to HELP programme and data collected for the SAP monitoring of both private sector (HIP HSSA monitoring form) and council owned properties (BVPI 63 self assessment)

3. It is helpful for Defra to be able to judge the extent to which the HECAMON software (Version 3, issued by Defra in April 1999 and updated in April 2001) is used each year. Therefore, please would you indicate whether or not you used the software when collecting and collating the data to enable you to complete this form?

Postal Telephone Both HECAMON not used

4. Please briefly describe in part a) all activities that are specifically designed to assist in the development and achievement of your HECA strategy. For both parts a) and b) it would be helpful if you could include details of how these activities address the following points:

- Obtaining corporate commitment / Integration of strategy with other council policies
- Any barriers and how these have been addressed
- Information, advice, education and promotion activities / Making grants and loans
- What linkages you have with energy efficiency schemes such as Energy
- Efficiency Commitment and Warm Front
- New and innovative approaches

In part b) describe new activities you expect to **commence in the 2005/06 financial year.**

a) activities in 2004/05 financial year			
Activity	Who is involved?	Partners' contribution (£) in 2004/05	Will this continue into 2005/06?
<p>Since 2003 the Council has had a contract with British Gas to deliver the Home Essentials for Living' programme (here to HELP). The scheme is designed to deliver an integrated approach to energy efficiency, home security and meeting occupiers personal needs to help people out of fuel poverty. It combined the various schemes run by Housing and Environmental Services, and delivers a more comprehensive range of measures and services to low-income homes across the Borough, irrespective of tenure.</p> <p>The measures installed under this scheme are: cavity wall insulation, loft insulation*, draught proofing, pipe and tank lagging, reflective radiator panels, energy efficiency light bulbs.</p> <p><i>* current building regulations state loft insulation to be installed to a thickness of 270mm, but new proposed changes will require 300mm. Haringey is increasing spend on loft insulation by installing to this thickness now ahead of introduction date</i></p> <p>Haringey successfully bid for ODPM funding (Local Public Service Agreement – LPSA), and will utilise £75k additional funding during 2004/05 and 2005/06. This funding is to provide a 'stretch' over and above proposed original targets. Haringey is installing 300mm loft insulation in council owned properties , and also is working to achieve an average SAP rating per dwelling of 64, which is over and above the figure of 62, which would see us in the top quartile for this indicator. Achieving this will release further funding from ODPM.</p> <p>The number of dwellings benefiting in 2004/05 was 1,510 at a cost of £865k, with an average SAP rating of 58.37.</p>	<p>LB Haringey, British Gas, Eaga Partnership Ltd, Charities including RNIB, Scope and Help the Aged</p>		<p>Yes</p>

b) activities planned in 2005/06 and not mentioned in a) above

Activity	Who is involved?	Partners' contribution (£) in 2005/06	Will this continue into 2006/07?
<p>The <i>HELP</i> scheme now includes the addition of a <i>Community Fund</i> allocation – this is a £5 contribution that will be given by British Gas for each household receiving a main measure (cavity wall insulation or loft insulation). This '<i>Community Fund</i>' will be made available to reinvest providing direct community benefit, subject to agreement with British Gas.</p> <p>The council's Housing department will be working with Environmental Health to deliver British Gas' <i>HELP</i> scheme in next years programme.</p> <p>1,085 dwellings are planned to benefit in 2005/06, at a cost of £708k, with a average SAP rating of 64.</p> <p>Not all energy efficiency works are carried out by this specific energy efficiency programme with its own budget (ie delivery of <i>HELP</i>), or through wider capital programme works, such as planned maintenance (eg, fitting of double glazing), and heating improvement and boiler replacement programmes.</p>	<p>British Gas, LB Haringey, Eaga partnership ltd, and various charities including Help the Aged, RNIB, Scope.</p>		<p>Yes</p>

5a. Does your authority have an affordable warmth/fuel poverty strategy?

YES NO

5b. If you answered no to question 5a, do you have plans to develop an affordable warmth/fuel poverty strategy?

YES NO

5c. If you answered yes to question 5a or 5b, please briefly describe below how you are taking forward or planning to take forward a fuel poverty/affordable warmth strategy and advise on successes to date, key partners and anticipated future developments, with a particular emphasis on private sector housing stock.

Following a Member level scrutiny review of debt management in 2004 and another in 2005 which investigated levels of benefit take up, recommendations were made to the Council Executive that a corporate anti-poverty strategy be developed. Simultaneously there was concern raised at the Haringey Housing Strategic partnership (part of the borough's Local Strategic Partnership structures) over deficiencies in the strategic approach to tackling fuel poverty across the borough. The decision was taken to incorporate affordable warmth / fuel poverty strategic priorities within the corporate, borough wide anti-poverty strategy being developed.

While there has not been an overarching strategic document relating to tackling fuel poverty there has been some highly innovative and successful work undertaken in 2004/05 particularly in the private sector in partnership with British Gas and Eaga Partnership Ltd. Benefits health checks offered as part of this programme has led to an average increase in per person income of £39.15 for 32 clients. 145 clients were provided with referrals to partner support agencies which include Help the Aged, RNIB, and Scope. Average running cost reduction across all client households of £36.13 per property was achieved.

Plans for the future include:

- Full-time energy efficiency / affordable warmth post to work on maximising benefits from partnership working with British gas etc.
- Development of integrated fuel poverty / affordable warmth strategic objectives and action plan within corporately developed anti-poverty strategy to ensure full corporate commitment and adequate resources
- Thermal imaging of the borough combined with GIS mapping information to provide a visual tool for both marketing / provision of information and targeting of resources and to inform strategy.

6. Please indicate below, for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005, the percentage improvement in energy efficiency recorded for each of the four housing sectors shown. In each case, please also indicate the resulting

annual reduction in CO₂ emissions and the costs involved. If you do not have the information available by sector, please ensure that you provide overall totals for each column in the table below.

Sector of housing	% improvement in energy efficiency achieved in 2004/05	Reduction in CO ₂ emissions 2004/05 (tonnes)	Cost of the measures in 2004/05	
			Cost to your authority £ millions	Overall cost £ millions
Total for each sector April 2004 to March 2005:				
Owner/Occupied	3.9	14,004		15.812
Local Authority	4.5	4,151	4.8	5.569
Private Rented	0.5	1,220	0	1.448
Housing Associations	1.4	975	0	1.134
OVERALL TOTAL FOR HOUSING, APRIL 2004 TO MARCH 2005				
	2.8	20,350		23.963
Any qualifying comments on the figures should be included here:				
British gas provided energy saving light bulbs which were distributed to all council tenants and all tenants of Housing Associations – over 25,000 homes in all.				

7. Please indicate at (a) the annual percentage improvement (i.e. the reduction in consumption in GJ based on standard occupancy reported in each of the previous progress report periods and, at b) the overall progress recorded up to 31 March 2005. Please add any supplementary information below.

Please note that the figure entered at (b) will NOT be a sum of the figures entered at (a). Please see paragraph 26 of the accompanying guidance.

(a1) Progress reported between 1 April 1996 and 30 June 1997 (1 st progress report)	1.44%
(a2) Progress reported between 1 April 1997 and 31 March 1998 (2 nd progress report)	1.44%
(a3) Progress reported between 1 April 1998 and 31 March 1999 (3 rd progress report)	2.01%
(a4) Progress reported between 1 April 1999 and 31 March 2000 (4 th progress report)	0.36%
(a5) Progress reported between 1 April 2000 and 31 March 2001 (5 th progress report)	5.65%
(a6) Progress reported between 1 April 2001 and 31 March 2002 (6 th progress report)	3.10%
(a7) Progress reported between 1 April 2002 and 31 March 2003 (7 th progress report)	2.40%
(a8) Progress reported between 1 April 2003 and 31 March 2004 (8 th progress report)	3.50%
(a9) Progress reported between 1 April 2004 and 31 March 2005 (this progress report)	2.80%
(b) Overall improvement in energy efficiency from 1 April 1996 to 31 March 2005	22.70%
Any qualifying comments or supplementary information should be included here: 1	

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I confirm that I have seen and agreed this report of the progress made by this authority to implement its energy efficiency report as required under the Home Energy Conservation Act 1995.

Signature, Chief Executive

Name

Authority

date