

## **Fuel Poverty**

Council believes that:

1. Fuel poverty is a scourge on our communities; it harms the physical and psychological health, welfare and quality of life of our residents;
2. Local authorities can play an important role in tackling fuel poverty through, for example, our new public health responsibilities, our strategic role in improving housing and our concern to encourage residents to contribute to the local economy and community.

Council therefore resolves to:

3. Work towards eliminating fuel poverty in Bath and North East Somerset;
4. Sign the “Local Authority Fuel Poverty Commitment” published by the End Fuel Poverty Campaign;
5. Investigate practical schemes which could help residents who live in Fuel Poverty, such as working with partners to enable collective purchasing schemes for energy.

### Information:

To be proposed by Councillor Hall and seconded by Councillor Martin.

The Local Authority Fuel Poverty Commitment may be seen here:

<http://bitly.com/QFeVZG>

For more information about the End Fuel Poverty Campaign, see

[www.endfuelpoverty.org.uk](http://www.endfuelpoverty.org.uk).