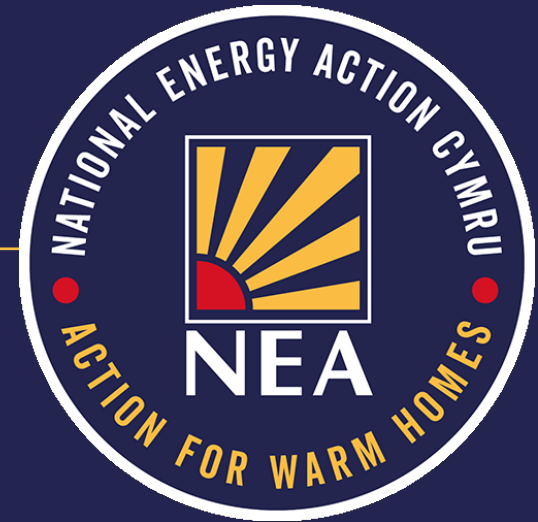
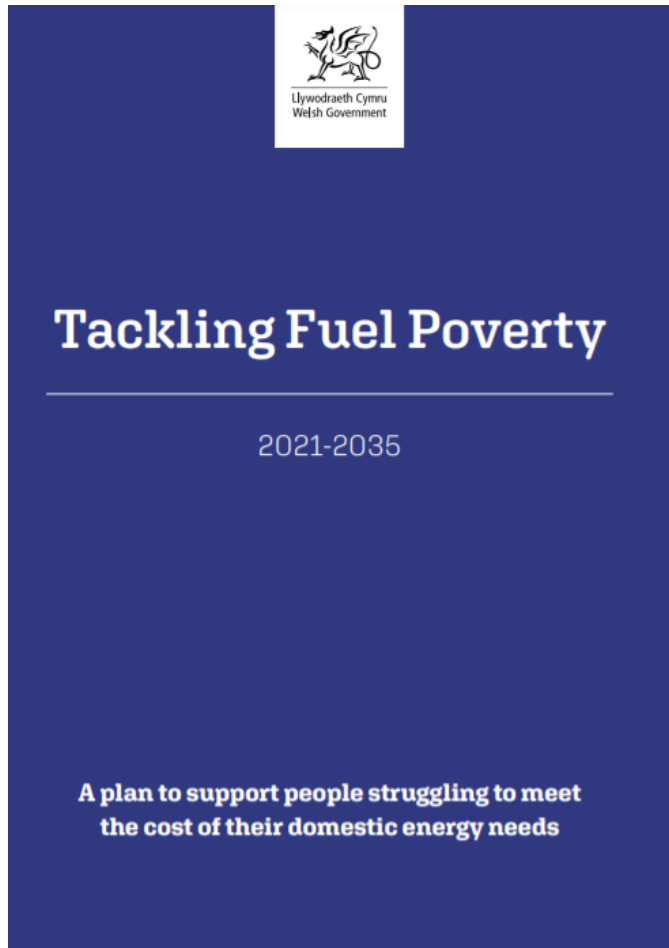


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2021–2035*

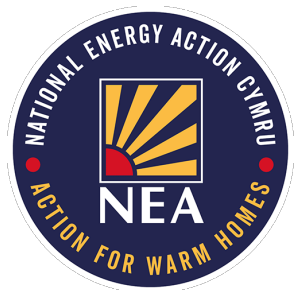


Tackling Fuel Poverty 2021–2035



Published March 2021 following:

- three-month consultation (Oct-Dec 2020)
- Senedd CCERA Committee inquiry (April 2020)
- Audit Wales Landscape Review (Oct 2019)



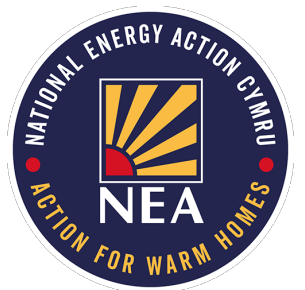
Four policy goals

Identify

**Prioritise and
protect –
worst first**

**Decarbonise –
fabric first**

Influence



Three non-statutory targets to be achieved by 2035:

No households are estimated to be living in severe or persistent fuel poverty, as far as reasonably practicable

No more than 5% of households estimated to be living in fuel poverty at any one time, as far as reasonably practicable

Number of households “at risk” of falling into fuel poverty more than halved based on 2018 estimate



10 priority short-term actions (2021-2023)

Warm Homes Programme

1. Continue Nest and Arbed
2. Consult (June–Dec 2021) on future scheme and implement from April 2023

Energy Advice and Support Services

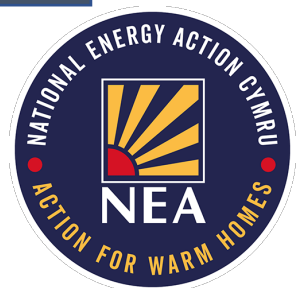
3. Consult (June–Dec 2021) based on pilot and implement from April 2023
4. Publish and keep under review plan to improve winter resilience

Monitoring, evaluation and reporting

5. Advisory Board on Fuel Poverty (June 2021)
6. Publish Welsh domestic energy data annually (July 2022)
7. Biennial review (incl. fuel poverty estimates) (July 2022)

Working with partners

8. Encourage reduction in installation of PPMs to recover arrears
9. Support smart meter rollout
10. Support UK Govt initiatives in re. Wales



Priorities for next set of actions

Need a plan that matches the scale of the challenge

- **Energy-efficiency based interim targets**
- **Warm Homes Programme:**
 - significantly scale up investment
 - area-based approach (in addition to a demand-led one)
 - robust monitoring, evaluation and reporting
- **Engage several actors to tackle fuel poverty, reduce avoidable health inequalities, and drive-up standards** – incl. UK government, Ofgem, energy industry, local government, housing, and health sectors
- **Role of crisis provision**

