

## **Please find below information from Warwickshire County Council regarding the Crisis Resilience Fund for heating oil costs:**

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You may be aware that the Government has announced the Crisis Resilience Fund (CRF), which provides additional financial support for low income residents experiencing financial shock and struggling to meet essential costs.

Warwickshire has been identified as an area with a higher reliance on heating oil and will receive an additional allocation of CRF funding to support people who are facing difficulties with heating oil costs.

Initially, support will be provided through the Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme, administered by Warwickshire County Council. Each application will be considered on an individual basis, taking account of the person's circumstances.

For residents applying for help with heating oil costs, advisers will discuss when they usually purchase oil, how they purchase it, the typical price they would expect to pay, and why they are currently unable to meet the cost. We recognise that recent price increases have been sudden and this will be considered as part of the assessment. Residents are advised to contact the Local Welfare Scheme on 0800 4081448 or 01926 359182.