

Are you coming across patients with injuries or illnesses which could be being made worse by the homes in which they live in?

Examples of this may include unexplained respiratory illnesses which could be made worse or potentially caused by living in excess cold conditions or extreme damp. Injuries occurring due to tripping or falling, burns due to dangerous cooker placement or poor kitchen layout. These are just some of the potential risks to health caused by a substandard property.

The Private Sector Housing Team at Stoke-on-Trent City Council we can help to improve the housing conditions and health of your patients.

We understand how important a secure and safe home environment is for all tenants but especially for the vulnerable. Hazards in the home and poor standards of property can lead to poor health and wellbeing and an increase in pressure on the NHS at a local and national level. This is why the promotion and engagement of our service is so important and why we would like to build strong relationships with services such as local GP practices and health services.

If you engage with anyone who lives in Stoke on Trent and you may suspect is living in a property which is in disrepair, or has a landlord who is failing to provide a decent service or has any issues regarding their property then please contact our team on **01782 233086** or share our contact details with this person.

In addition we can also provide advice and assistance to owner occupiers and also have grant products available to owner occupiers and private renters which can help with heating their homes. For more information around this please contact **01782 234474**

If you would like us to attend team meetings or promotional events to promote the free services we can offer, or to provide leaflets or information about the support we can offer please get in touch by either calling 01782 233086/01782 232786 or emailing us at privatesectorhousing@stoke.gov.uk