Free and independent 'Energy Doctor' home visits to help you reduce your fuel bills this winter

With winter approaching, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council is working with CEN, a local organisation, to offer local residents free and impartial advice on reducing electricity and gas bills.

Mike Bundy from CEN said 'energy costs can account for a large proportion of household bills and by making some changes in the home these costs can be reduced by, in some cases, several hundred pounds.' Mike Bundy added 'last winter was extremely cold compared to the trend, and this year it is difficult to predict the severity of the winter which is why it could make sense now to consider the options available to keep the home warm'.

The service on offer is available to <u>all</u> residents who either own their home or rent from a private landlord, and includes the following:

- ✓ A free 'Energy Doctor' visit at your home offering independent advice on how to reduce bills and save energy
- ✓ A basic energy efficiency survey producing an 'A' to 'G' energy rating for your property
- ✓ Discounted loft and cavity wall insulation for all*
- ✓ Free loft and cavity wall insulation for those aged 70 or over*
- √ 100% grants for heating systems, loft/cavity wall insulation for people on qualifying benefits*
- ✓ Information on discounted condensing boilers for those considering a replacement
- ✓ **Details of other services** such as Council grants, home improvement service, benefit entitlement checks and free fire safety checks.

The 'Energy Doctor' visit is designed to provide expert advice and assistance to help to keep our residents warm, healthy and reduce fuel bills. The programme is completely **independent** of any sales schemes and could save you on average in excess of £170 a year on your heating and electricity bills.

To book a free 'Energy Doctor' visit please call 0800 358 6663 now.