

Practical support to help people stay warm and well in North Yorkshire

Wellbeing support through Warm & Well in North Yorkshire creates warmer homes and improves overall health.

What help was needed?

Mr Anderson is 90 years old and lives with his wife. They spend the majority of their days at home. They needed to have their existing fire removed and the chimney breast sealed to prevent cold coming into their lounge and resulting in higher heating bills.

The couple were introduced to the Warm & Well in North Yorkshire project when they were visited by a Yorkshire Housing Handyperson, Craig, to fit grab rails as recommended by local authority Health & Adult services. During his visit, Craig discussed the possibility of funding being available to complete the works needed in their lounge to help with energy efficiency and keeping warm.

The work involved entailed taking out the existing fire, sealing the chimney breast, making good the surrounding area and preparing the area for a new electric fire.

Two handypersons from Yorkshire Housing removed the back boiler, blocked up the hole in



Mr Anderson's new electric fire.

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wall where old fire had been, made good the wall, fitted the electrics and fitted a new fire.

Having the open fire sealed up and a new fire fitted has prevented draughts in the couple's home.

They are now saving money on their energy bills.

Mr Anderson says: "I'm very happy about the work that has been done. The guys made a very good job and cleared up all the mess and left it tidy. I can now sit and look at my new draught free fire which is admired by everyone who has seen it."

"I would say to anyone to get in touch with Warm & Well in North Yorkshire and see if there is any help out there for them – just ask!"



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