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## Project launched to help Seacombe residents 'stay warm' in their homes

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Sustainable Seacombe launch at Seacombe Library

**A PROJECT** aiming to help more than 10,000 residents in Seacombe to stay warm in their homes has been launched.

Launched on January 17 by OFGEM and the Energy Saving Trust Sustainable Seacombe will help locals to keep warm more affordably.

Led by charity Energy Projects Plus, the programme will bring together a range of partners to hold weekly community events and will even send out advisors to homes in order to provide direct and practical support on reducing fuel bills and advise how to receive financial support.

Chairman at OFGEM, Martin Cave told *the Globe*: "I am delighted to be in Seacombe to launch the Sustainable Seacombe scheme which is one of the first charities to be granted money from Ofgem's Voluntary Redress Fund.

"Energy companies can pay into the Voluntary Redress Fund through compliance or enforcement cases when we find them to be failing customers.

"We work closely with the Energy Saving Trust, who manage the fund on our behalf, and last week awarded £2.1 million to a range of charities that make a difference to local communities and particularly consumers in vulnerable circumstances across Great Britain.

"I have enjoyed meeting local residents who, thanks to the Sustainable Seacombe scheme, will get help keeping their homes warm and cutting their energy bills."

Sustainable Seacombe receives funding from the likes of Burbo Bank Extension Community Fund, Wirral Council and OFGEM's Voluntary Redress Fund.

Peter Owen, chief executive of Energy Projects Plus said: "We have developed Sustainable Seacombe to bring direct financial and health benefits to residents in our local community and are extremely grateful to receive the funding to enable us to deliver our 12 month programme."