

# What's been happening in South and Central Region?

## Across the region

- ✓ We have supported 72 people into work or training opportunities through our employment and training officers.
- ✓ Customers claimed £494,512.95 in missing benefits, through our money advice service.
- ✓ Customers saved £28,548 off heating bills, through our affordable warmth service
- ✓ Over the past year we developed and delivered 173 new homes across the Midlands comprising of 114 rented and 59 shared ownership homes.
- ✓ We are set to build even more homes this year as we look to deliver 179 new homes: 144 rented and 35 shared ownership.

## Derby

- ✓ We invested £200,000 to improve the quality of our homes, including CCTV and security upgrades, as well as redecorating our communal areas.
- ✓ We reduced rough sleeping in the Castleward area of Derby by 90% through joint working with REST.
- ✓ We reduced hospital admissions in Derby through joint working between our Care and Support colleagues and external stakeholders.
- ✓ We improved our temporary homeless accommodation offer at Centenary House in Derby, which included creating an additional 4 bed spaces for rough sleepers.
- ✓ We started a new Women at Risk (WaR) project at Newstead House in Derby.

## Stoke-on-Trent

- ✓ We invested £148,000 to improve outdoor spaces which included replacing old and worn fencing, and improving the condition of our paved areas.

## South-East

- ✓ We invested £54,000 in Thanet upgrading CCTV and improved landscaping.
- ✓ We set up a partnership with SportInspired which will see us deliver a sports-based programme for our younger customers in the South East.