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Community Buying

Suffolk ACRE Community Buying Ltd

Want to save money on the cost of
your heating oil?
So do we!



Join our new community based, countrywide oil buying
syndicate and see how easy it is

www.communitybuying.org.uk

Suffolk ACRE Community Buying is a wholly owned trading
subsidiary of Suffolk ACRE, a charity working to enable
rural communities to be more socially, economically and
environmentally sustainable.

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What's the scheme about?

Suffolk ACRE Community Buying Ltd has set up a new social enterprise that will reduce the cost of your domestic heating oil each time you place an order.

All you need to do to take advantage of the scheme is to pay an annual membership fee, which will cover as many oil orders as you need during the course of the year.

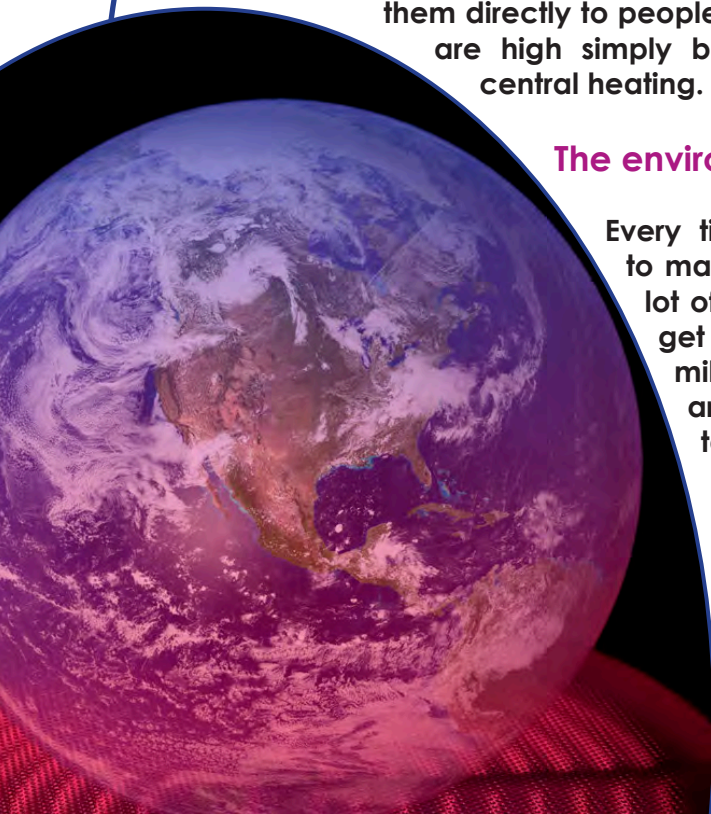
What's the snag?

There isn't one. The scheme is being promoted by Suffolk ACRE, a long established and well respected Suffolk charity (see overleaf for more details)

By bringing communities throughout Suffolk together and making the most of joint buying power, we can make savings and pass them directly to people like you whose fuel costs are high simply because you use oil-fired central heating.

The environment benefits:

Every time a tanker comes out to make a delivery, it is using a lot of diesel - a full tanker can get as little as a horrifying 8 miles per gallon. If deliveries are organised so that one tanker delivers to several customers in a village instead of making lots of individual deliveries, the fuel consumption is reduced and so is the traffic in the village.





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5 easy steps to cheaper heating oil

Step 1: Join the Suffolk ACRE Community Buying Scheme.

Request a membership form from Suffolk ACRE Community Buying Ltd or apply via the Suffolk ACRE Community Buying website www.communitybuying.org.uk

Step 2: Wait to hear from your local co-ordinator.

We will let your local co-ordinator know that you have joined the scheme. Each month they will email you to ask whether you want to place an order. The minimum order is 500 litres.

Step 3: Place an order.

Let your local co-ordinator know you want to buy oil. Each month they submit a total village order to us. Your order increases our negotiating power, so once submitted we regard it as binding.

Step 4: Sit back whilst we negotiate the price.

We negotiate the best price from a whole range of suppliers. Your local co-ordinator will advise you who the supplier is, the price per litre (exclusive of VAT, currently at 5%) and the approximate date of delivery.

Step 5: Take delivery of the oil and pay the company.

The oil will be delivered as soon as possible and you pay the company supplying the oil direct.

Annual membership fees

Domestic : £20 ❖ Community Building: £30 ❖ Business: £100



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The scheme has been very successful in Oxfordshire and here are some comments from its members...

“Very happy to recommend this scheme - I placed my order, it was delivered speedily, and the price gave me an excellent saving”.

“We have been pleased with the savings on our last order, and it also helps us to be able to order a minimum of 500 litres whereas previously we tried to wait till we needed 1000 to avoid paying even higher costs per litre”

About Suffolk ACRE

Suffolk ACRE is an independent charity founded in 1937 and we can:

- Provide you with free advice on a wide range of rural issues
- Keep you informed on the problems facing rural communities
- Email you details of Suffolk ACRE events and a copy of our “Update” magazine and E-shots

Our trading arm has been set up to support the activities of the charity and you can find more information about us and what we do by visiting our website www.suffolkacre.org.uk

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