



SHIRE Community Climate Change Grants

Applications are now open for projects looking to improve energy efficiency and reduce the potential impacts of climate change for community buildings in Leicestershire (not Leicester City or Rutland).



Who can apply?

- ✓ Parish and town councils
- ✓ Local community groups
- ✓ Faith groups and charities
- ✓ Village/community building management committees

Grant support might include:

- ✓ Energy audits of community buildings
- ✓ Installation of energy efficiency measures such as new heating systems, roof or cavity wall insulation or low energy lighting
- ✓ Training courses run for the community relating to energy efficiency/climate change
- ✓ Installation of renewable energy systems*



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*Recipients of grants for renewable energy systems will not be able to claim Government subsidies such as Feed In Tariffs (FITs) or Renewable Heat Incentives (RHI).

How much is available?

A maximum grant of £5,000 per applicant is available for projects or events in any one financial year, subject to a valid energy audit report.

- 75% of the cost of a professional energy audit up to £1,000
- Either 20% or 50% towards the cost of the installation projects* or energy efficient measures
- 50% of the cost of community events or training up to a maximum of £2,500

* Applications for practical projects to replace existing equipment in buildings such as gas boilers or standard double glazing are unlikely to be offered more than 20% towards the cost of the project.

How do I apply?

Application forms and accompanying guidelines have been developed for each of these grant categories.

For application forms and further information, please contact:

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Case Study

The Glenmore Centre

The Glenmore Centre is a community building in the heart of Shepshed. The Centre is in use 365 days a year and was beginning to look tired.

"The Centre's committee decided it was time to replace the old wooden windows. After a bit of research we came across the Climate Change Grant. In order to qualify for the grant we were required to have an Energy Audit carried out, which was really useful.

"As suspected, the audit confirmed that the windows needed replacing but also made us aware that our boiler would also need replacing in order to make the Centre more energy efficient.

"The Climate Change grant gave us 20% towards the cost which enabled us to get the repairs carried out. The Glenmore Centre is now much warmer, better insulated and much more energy efficient which we hope will lead to lower fuel bills in the future."

Victoria Jacques
Centre Manager