

Small Businesses Energy Efficiency Grants Scheme

Working With Small Business to Reduce the City's Carbon Footprint

Did you know that Derby City Council's Climate Change and Energy Management Unit is currently running a scheme for small businesses in the city to help them improve their energy efficiency, cut their energy demands and become more profitable?

What is this scheme and who qualifies?

It's called the Small Businesses Energy Efficiency Grants Scheme and is fully funded by the City Council. The scheme has been running since May 2010, and has already given funds to a number of businesses and will be closing in the spring.

It is open to any 'small' Derby based business with no more than 25 employees.

What is on offer and what are the grants for?

The scheme is offering grants of up to £5000 per small business to help make energy efficiency improvements to their premises or replace old and inefficient equipment. Common improvement work includes cavity or solid wall and loft insulation, energy efficient lighting, new A-rated boilers and insulated roller shutter doors.

Do I need to make any contribution towards the cost?

Projects costing up to £500 will receive a 100% grant, however those costing more than this will get the following grants

- Projects between £501 £2,500 will receive a 90% grant
- \bullet Projects over £2501 will get an 80% grant up to a maximum of £5,000

How are the grants awarded and administered

The scheme is being run in partnership with a local charity, Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire who are responsible for processing the applications and giving advice to the businesses at the application stage.

The decision to approve applications is made by a committee of business support and energy efficiency experts from Derby based organisations.

If you would like to make an application please contact...

Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire on 01773 539 426 or mobile 07525 225 023 or The Climate Change and Energy Management Unit on 01332 256 006