Ridgewater Energy

Home Upgrade Grant

What is the Home Upgrade Grant 2?

The Home Upgrade Grant (HUG 2) aims to improve the energy performance and running costs of some of the least efficient, non-mains gas heated properties (EPC rating D, E, F and G) by providing grant funded works, for upgrading insulation as the first priority, along with heating and renewable energy upgrades throughout Dorset.

- Cavity Wall Insulation
- Loft Insulation
- External Wall Insulation
- Air Source Heat Pumps
- Under Floor Insulation
- Room in Roof insulation
- High Efficiency Electric Heating
- LED Lighting Upgrades
- Solar PV Panels
- Solar Thermal

Who is eligible?

Use the chart to determine eligibility. Annual household income threshold, qualifying benefit and qualifying area, are standalone criteria. Only Dorset Council or BCP Council residents qualify. Other funding may be available if clients do not qualify under the following criteria, via other schemes such as Healthy Homes Dorset & ECO4.

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating

Search the government EPC register to determine the property EPC rating. Remember, the rating may not be valid if the client has made improvements to the property since the last EPC rating.
If there is no existing EPC we can compile one for the client if it looks like they may qualify.

EPC Register Look Up - www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate

D
E
F
G

Qualifying benefit

Certain benefits and allowances qualify and are determined by the Local Authority and delivery partner.

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Whole house approach

A package of measures is required to be installed to each home, so that it meets a certain minimum criteria in order to improve the efficiency of the property and to meet the funding requirements.

Qualifying areas

Qualifying areas are classed as economically deprived neighbourhoods, as determined by the governments Lower Super Output Areas list 1 - 3.
Examples are: Boscombe West and Portland*
*List not exhaustive

Heating fuel MUST be one of the following: — Essential

Electric | LPG | Oil | Solid Fuel

AND a certain EPC rating: — Essential

D, E, F, or G EPC rating

And either:

- £31k Annual household income below
- **Or:** In receipt of a qualifying benefit
- **Or:** Live in a qualifying area

Example 1:

Electric + D + £30k + Live in a qualifying area = ☺

Example 2:

Oil + E + £60k + Live in a qualifying area = ☺

How to refer and apply

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