

London Borough of Islington Private Sector Eco Grant 2010/11

Solid wall insulation for Private Rented Properties

Making homes energy efficient, to reduce energy bills/emissions and aid sustainability.

Maximum Grant £2,000 subject to reasonable cost assessment

Insulation for solid wall surfaces

Insulation for external solid walls and flat roofs are available for *private rented properties*, (excluding registered social landlords). Types of internal wall insulation include ready made insulation/plaster board laminates or wooden battens in-filled with insulation. Insulation /plaster board laminates usually consist of plasterboard backed with insulating. A 'U value' of 0.35 should be achieved with the contractors being registered with INCA, INA or equivalent.

The construction reduces the amount of heat which would otherwise pass through into the wall to the outside. Internal wall insulation can be cheaper than external wall insulation and you could save around £470 a year on your energy bill. An average home could save around 2.4 tonnes of CO₂ a year. Ground floor insulation can also be included in this grant.

Sustainability

The Council supports the use of all sustainability technologies and insists on using dual flush W.Cs and aerated taps when any grant is awarded.

We encourage contractors to dispose of waste at approved registered sites and to use green transport options (for example hybrid and electric vehicles) with their workers using public transport where possible. The council encourages the use of sustainable materials and "Green" electricity.

How to apply for an Eco Grant

1. Contact Grant Support Services with your initial enquiry
 2. An grant officer will visit you to verify the works are reasonable and practicable
 3. In order to qualify for grant assistance you will need to submit all relevant paperwork within two months of your enquiry, and final paperwork for payment within two weeks of completion or the grant may be cancelled.
 4. You will need to submit an application form with two itemised estimates for the works, identifying your preferred contractor. Including any agency or Local authority fees. With a letter confirming any interested parties consent for the works to be carried out and a completed payment authority form.
 5. The council will approve (or refuse) the grant, within four weeks, and inform you how much grant has been approved.
 6. If you change your builder, you must contact Grant Support Services.
 7. The owner(s) will need to agree to any changes to the works, which need to be notified to the council in writing and signed by the owner(s).
 8. Works to be completed within three months or the grant may be withdrawn.
 9. Once works are complete the builder's final invoice and the all completion certificates and guarantees need to be sent to the council within two weeks of completion to with a request for the final grant payment.
 10. A council officer will visit to check the works. If they are satisfactory, the final payment should be made within five weeks of the claim.
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Please Note

1. All grants are subject to the availability of funding.
2. Works must not start before the grant is approved by the council in writing.
3. If you are not eligible for a grant under this grants policy and you feel you should be, you can apply for consideration of exceptional need for a grant. Criteria have been specified for such considerations; please ask grant support services for a list of criteria for exceptions to the policy.

For further information on Eco grants contact:

Grant Support Services

Islington Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

020 7527 3104

E-mail-grants.residential@islington.gov.uk

For further information on other Climate Change Grants contact:

Green Living Centre

Islington Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

0800 953 1221

E-mail-energy.advice@islington.gov.uk
