

## London Borough of Islington

# SAFE AND WARM GRANTS FOR OWNER-OCCUPIERS 2010/11

Safe and Warm grants are available to owner occupiers who are in receipt of a qualifying benefit or disabled. For more information and to register call the council's Green Living Centre on 0800 953 1221.

Grants are available for:

- Gas central heating (if your home doesn't already have it)
- Heating Controls
- New boiler
- Loft, cavity wall and hot water tank insulation
- Draught proofing
- Door and window locks
- Door viewers and chains
- Smoke alarms

### Can I get a Grant?

You will be eligible for a grant if you are in receipt of:

- Income Support
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance under the Welfare Reform Act 2007
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Housing Benefit
- Working Tax Credit (Household income less than £16,190)
- Council Tax Benefit (does not include single occupancy reduction)
- Child Tax Credit (Household income less than £16,190)
- Disability Living Allowance
- Attendance Allowance
- Disablement Pension Credit (Must include constant attendance allowance)
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- War Disablement Pension (Must include either a mobility supplement or constant attendance allowance)

## **Procedure for applying for a grant**

1. Contact the Green Living Centre with your initial enquiry (see contact below).
2. They will inform you if you qualify and pass your details to GLEEN who manage the Safe and Warm grants on behalf of the council.
3. GLEEN will visit you to assess your needs and will require document evidence of any qualifying benefits, complete application forms etc.
4. Works will be carried out by a selected contractor approved and monitored by GLEEN.

## **Sustainability**

5. The Council supports the use of all sustainability technologies 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 energy.

## **Please Note:**

1. Decorations are not included in Safe and Warm grants
2. Only equipment deemed necessary will be replaced i.e. radiators may not be replaced when a new boiler installed.
3. All grants are subject to the availability of funding.
4. 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. Please ask grant support services for a list of criteria for exceptions to the policy.
5. Insulation may also be available at discount prices for householders who are not in receipt of these benefits.

## **Grants are also available for:**

- Private Tenants
- Eco Grants for certain water and energy saving measures.

### ***LIST OF CONTACTS***

#### **Grant Support Services**

Islington Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

**020 7527 3104**

[E-mail: grants.residential@islington.gov.uk](mailto:grants.residential@islington.gov.uk)

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