



**National
Energy
Foundation**

Warm Homes Local Grant

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- Replacement for LAD and HUG schemes
- Expressions of Interest submitted in Nov last year – now waiting to hear about the allocations
- Eligibility -
 - On and Off gas properties
 - EPCs D-G
 - Owner Occupiers or Private Renters (Social Housing can be infill only)
 - Park Homes as long as main residence
 - Low income/means tested benefits/certain postcode areas
- £15,000 per home for energy performance upgrades
- £15,000 per home for low carbon heating
- These costs can be averaged across all homes participating
- Private landlords can get one home fully funded then others are 50% funded (subject to change)

Expressions of Interest

| Possible Financial Years of the scheme (subject to spending review) | Capital Funding Request (excluding A&A) | Associated 15% A&A Funding in FY | Total Funding (capital+A&A) | Central estimate of homes to be delivered in FY | Indicative range of homes to be delivered in FY | Max Upfront Payment |
|---|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---------------------|
| Financial Year 25/26 | £500,000 | £88,235 | £588,235 | 40 | 30 – 60 | £117,647 |
| Each subsequent financial year (per 12 months) | £750,000 | £132,353 | £882,353 | 60 | 45 – 90 | £176,471 |

Managing Agent - NEF

NEF would take 2/3 of the Admin and Ancillary pot (10% - approx £58k of £88k)

This would fund the following -

- Publicity and marketing to develop awareness of the scheme in eligible households
- The customer journey, including:
 - engagement
 - eligibility checking
 - distributing privacy notices and collecting and managing customer data
 - coordinating installation timeline between customer and installer
 - managing customer expectation and recording feedback

Managing Agent - NEF

- Management of retrofit installation, including:
 - selecting installers and measures appropriate for each property
 - ensuring installations are delivered within specified timelines
 - ensuring completed installations meet specified standards (NEF Retrofit Coordinator)
 - payment of installers
- Regular reporting of customer and installation data to the Council
- Preparing monthly reports as required by the DESNZ

Managing Agent - NEF

Engagement and Targeting of Residents -

- Business Insight Lead to help NEF analyse data
- Open Source EPC data
- Open Source LSOA Areas of Multiple Deprivation (2019)

Looking to purchase either -

- Watford Borough Council – GIS data – Herts wide Fuel Poverty Map and Watford EPC map (NEF to fund expansion to Herts wide) OR
- Homewise (EST tool)

LA Responsibilities

- Apply for funding from DESNZ - complete
- Once funding is awarded, hold the funds and pay NEF administration fee and send grant funding to NEF to distribute
- Submit the monthly reports to DESNZ (that NEF prepare)
- Submit drawdown requests to DESNZ for grant funding (that NEF prepare)
- Support NEF with meetings with DESNZ/RISE

LA Responsibilities

- NEF will hold a monthly meeting with all of Herts LAs to update on progress
- We can do this fortnightly for the first 2 months whilst we are setting up
- Attendance is encouraged but optional
- Sign off for mail outs (inc authorisation to use council logos)
- Section on your website about WHLG
- If possible social media posts about WHLG referring to BHBH phoneline and email address

Other 5% Admin & Ancillary Fee

Approximately £30k

Around £5k of this would be spent on EPCs, Land Registry checks
Remaining £25k to go to the LA for management costs

Risk of poor performance -

If DESNZ were to ask for any A&A funds to be returned due to poor performance we would share the risk as per our share of the Admin & Ancillary e.g. NEF would be liable for 2/3 and LA 1/3

Procurement

NEF is part of the Watford Borough Council Energy Efficiency Framework
This means we have already been procured as a Managing Agent for these types of
schemes for use across Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire
To sign with us we will send you an order form to procure us through the
Framework which has locked in our pricing schedule