

Your guide to projects eligible for a Quick Wins grant



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Together we can look after God's creation - now and for the future.

The Church of England's [Quick Wins](#) grant is aimed at helping your church launch small scale decarbonisation projects aligned to the Practical Path to Net Zero Carbon for Churches.

The Church of England's ambitious [Net Zero Carbon by 2030](#) programme aims to equip, resource and support all parts of the Church to reduce carbon emissions from the energy used in its buildings, schools and through work-related transport by 2030.

The global climate emergency is a crisis for God's creation. It's unjust to the poorest people and to future generations.

Tackling climate change also supports our local mission. It witnesses to our communities that we are people who care about climate justice, now and for the future.

[That's why we're going net zero carbon by 2030.](#)



What projects are eligible for a grant?

Eligible net zero solutions

- Repair to the roof and rainwater goods (e.g. gutters, downpipes)
- Fix any broken windowpanes* and make sure opening windows shut tightly
- Insulate around heating pipes
- Draught-proof the gaps* or put up a door-curtain*
- Rugs/floor-coverings (with breathable backings) and cushions on/around the pews/chairs
- Where there is an uninsulated, easy-to access roof void, insulating the loft*
- Installing a glazed door within your porch or a draught-lobby*
- Creating one or more smaller (separately heatable) spaces for smaller events
- Fabric wall-hangings or panels, with an air gap behind

Heating and lighting

- Matching heating settings better to usage*
- Replace lightbulbs with LEDs, where simple replacement is possible
- Replace floodlights with new LED units
- Install a HIVE or NEST-type heating controller, to better control heating
- If current appliances fail, replace with A+++ appliances
- Learn how the building heats/cool and the link to comfort, by using data loggers
- Improve heating zones and controls
- Install TRVs on radiators in meeting rooms & offices
- Under-pew electric heaters*
- Infra-red radiant panel heaters*
- Magnetic sediment “sludge” filter to extend the life of the system
- Thermal and/or motion sensors on lighting.
- Install energy-saving device such as Savawatt on fridges or other commercial appliances.
- Installing a smart meter, to better measure energy use



Temporary heating solutions, which enable a church or church hall to avoid undertaking a like-for-like oil- or gas-heating replacement, when their heating breaks down:

- Heated chair cushions*
- Boiler hire
- Electric heater hire or purchase Repair to the roof and rainwater goods (e.g. gutters, downpipes)

It is expected these temporary solutions will last for not more than one year, whilst the church makes plans, seeks advice, applies for faculty, and fundraises. At the end of the temporary period, once the church has installed their permanent heating solution, the diocese has the right to ask for items which have been purchased to become the property of the diocese, in order that they can be lent to other churches.

Electrical upgrades to enable direct electric heating, heat pumps, or solar panels

- Upgrades to the electrical system, to enable a church or church hall to move away from oil or gas heating, or to substantially reduce their use of existing oil or gas heating

Other

- Heated chair cushions, which either replace or significantly reduce the use of oil and gas fired space heating*
- Solar PV, where a church can demonstrate it has completed all other measures to transition to net zero carbon, and so this is the next step
- Works not listed above but which have been confirmed as being eligible, under the change control process below. These works will be added to the central list.

* If interiors are of historic, architectural, or artistic interest, professional & DAC advice must be sought before these steps are taken. If they could disturb bats, advice must be sought.

This eligibility criteria also applies to the Net Zero Programme's Give To Go Green match-funding grants and the £3k grant offered to those churches who receive a fully subsidised Energy Audit and Actions Plans.

