



LOW CARBON

OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMME

Gateway to a lower carbon future for your business

RENEWABLE ENERGY MADE POSSIBLE

- ➔ Free feasibility support
- ➔ Grants for installation
- ➔ Save money and improve energy security

CLEAN TECH INNOVATION

- ➔ Free support for low carbon technology development
- ➔ Find out how to commercialise your product, process or service
- ➔ Grants for revenue or capital projects



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The Low Carbon Opportunities Programme can provide grants of up to 45% of the total cost of a project (to a maximum contribution of £100,000 for capital projects, £50,000 for revenue) for businesses to install renewable energy systems or undertake low carbon innovation projects.

How does it work?

- Apply for business support to assess your business for renewable energy systems or to help with innovative low carbon product, process or service development
- Receive free business support from experts
- Apply for a grant to take the next steps

To qualify, your business must:

- Be situated in and trading from Worcestershire
- Employ fewer than 250 employees
- Have a turnover of less than 50 million Euros per annum or a balance sheet of less than 43 million Euros

Grants available for renewable energy projects such as:

- Solar PV
- Geothermal heat systems
- Biomass boilers
- Air, ground or water source heat pumps
- Geothermal heat collectors or solar collectors
- Heat networks
- Renewable energy distribution technologies
- Renewable energy storage

Grants available for low carbon innovation projects such as:

- Low carbon product, process or service development
- Commercialisation or implementation costs
- Market research and assessment
- IPR protection
- Prototyping, demonstration or testing of new products
- Manufacturing scale up or market rollout

Capital and revenue projects are both eligible for support.

(Please note – some industries, such as primary agriculture and retail are not eligible. Other activities excluded are social welfare and education facilities, banking and insurance.)

The Low Carbon Opportunities Programme is a partnership between: Worcestershire County Council – Bromsgrove District Council – Malvern Hills District Council – Redditch Borough Council – Worcester City Council – Wychavon District Council – Wyre Forest District Council



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