

Sustainability Grants/ Funds - Funding Sources and Information

Background

There are a wide range of sources on the internet where information on grants/ funding can be found.

Some example sources of information

- Welsh Government News / Finance [Finance locator | Business Wales \(gov.wales\)](#)
- Scottish Gov: <https://www.sseenergysolutions.co.uk/small-business-sustainability/green-grants-loans>
- Sustainability West Midlands: [Funding Opportunities – Sustainability West Midlands \[UK wide\]](#)
- GrantFinder : <https://www.grantfinder.co.uk/funding-highlights/funds/environment/>
- SwoopFunding : <https://swoopfunding.com/uk/business-grants/sustainability-grants/>

There is also some guidance on applying for grants and funding, as follows:

- Guide to grants and funding [Essential guide to environmental grants and loans | Money Donut](#)

Grants/Funding Examples

The table below lists a range of funding including closing deadlines and brief details about the funding that is available. The exact details of what is required to access the funding has not been covered here and would need to be checked. The Welsh Green Digital Academy is a known source to access consultancy advice on developing a carbon footprint, which was successfully applied for by the Pinnacle Club.

Funding	Funding dates	Fund details
Sustainability West Midlands		
Smart Energy / Sub-metering Monitoring Funding	No closing date	Available to businesses in Staffordshire. Staffordshire Business Environment Network (SBEN), through Staffordshire County Council, is providing businesses with sub-metering monitoring grants of up to £5,000 (50% match funded).
Marches Energy Grant (MEG)	No closing date	The Marches Energy Grant (MEG) offers free advice, energy assessments and grants for energy efficiency and renewable energy measures to SMEs from all sectors in Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin.
Pilot Business Energy Advice Service (BEAS)	No closing date	offering 4000 free energy assessments to small businesses across the West Midlands, including Birmingham, Coventry, Dudley, Sandwell, Solihull, Walsall and Wolverhampton, as well as Worcestershire and the Marches, Warwickshire and Stoke and Staffordshire.
GrantFinder		
Green Digital Academy Green Digital Academy Busnes@LlandrilloMenai (gllm.ac.uk)	March 2025	Gwynedd or Anglesey based. Working with a mentor, we can help you to evaluate your current position and develop a plan to access training and funding to support you to reduce your carbon footprint.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • green.digital@gllm.ac.uk • 08445 460 460
South West Water – Our Water Saving Community Fund - GrantFinder	No Closing date	<p>Grants are available to charities, not-for-profit organisations and community groups for projects that will help save water in Devon, Cornwall, Isles of Scilly or Bournemouth.</p> <p>The funding is intended to support water conservation projects that benefit the community within the South West Water service area.</p> <p>Ref ID S51213</p>
<p>Welsh Water Community Fund</p> <p>Community fund Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water (dwrcymru.com)</p>	Annually 3 times a year	<p>Grants are available to voluntary and community organisations working in the Welsh Water area to support projects that provide benefits to local communities</p> <p>The funding is intended to support registered community groups with local community initiatives promoting health, wellbeing and environmental objectives.</p> <p>We will open our online application process 3 times during the year for 8 weeks. The dates for 2024 are:</p> <p>1st May – 30th June</p> <p>1st September – 31st October</p> <p>1st January 2025 – 28th February 2025</p>
Swoopfunding		
<p>Low Carbon Workspaces</p> <p>Low Carbon Workspaces</p>	Not known	offers match-funded grants of between £1,000 and £6,750 to SMEs in Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Hertfordshire, Milton Keynes and Northamptonshire. Grants can be used to cover the cost of projects that will reduce your business' greenhouse gas emissions.
<p>Carbon Reduction Grant – Manchester</p> <p>Grants To Deliver Energy Efficiency Projects For Greater Manchester Based Smes</p>	Not known	If you have an SME in Greater Manchester, you might be eligible for an Energy Efficiency Grant of up to £5,000 to help with up to 50% of the costs of your energy efficiency improvements. The grants are available on a first-come first-served basis and can be put towards the cost of a new LED lighting system for your premises, heating equipment upgrades, replacement drives or motors and process efficiency investments.
<p>Business Energy Efficiency Programme – Worcestershire County</p> <p>Net Zero Worcestershire support</p> <p>In affiliation with the Business Energy Advice Service (BEAS).</p>	Not known	The Net Zero Worcestershire Programme offers free Decarbonisation Reviews to eligible Small to Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) and organisations in Worcestershire. [operating within Worcestershire and have a Worcestershire business address . The support, delivered by dedicated specialists, will show you how and where to effectively move forward on reducing your carbon emissions and energy costs.
<p>Carbon Reduction Grant</p> <p>Swansea Council</p> <p>Financial support for businesses - Swansea</p>	Not known	<p>This is a grant with the objective of enabling businesses to work towards net zero carbon. The grant can fund costs including renewable energy generation, energy conservation measures and changes to manufacturing processes which result in carbon reduction; applicants must be able to calculate their forecast carbon savings.</p> <p>The maximum grant available is £10,000. The grant will require applicants to provide 50% of costs in match funding. All applicants will be required to provide a business plan/summary and 12 month cash flow forecast.</p>

		For further details and to request an application form, please email growthgrant@swansea.gov.uk . This project is funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
The Green Recovery voucher scheme Green Recovery vouchers - Kent County Council	Not Known	Help SMEs in Kent take advantage of environmental advice and services. Businesses in Kent can apply for a voucher of up to £1,500 to implement an environmental project to help improve business sustainability. This could be done through the installation of energy efficiency measures or the development of sustainable transport solutions, for example.
Green Business Grants, BANES and South Glos Green Business Grants - Growth Hub westofengland-ca.gov.uk	Not known	This grant is designed to help SMEs purchase and install new products and equipment that will help reduce business greenhouse gas emissions, cut utility costs and improve energy efficiency. Applications must help the business to achieve a measurable reduction in greenhouse gas emissions when compared to your current baseline emissions. These grant applications must be supported by an independent carbon assessment of your business.
Conventry and Warwickshire Green Business Programme:	Not known	this program offers eligible businesses grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 to fund up to 40% of the cost of installing energy efficiency measures. This could be installing LED lighting, upgrading heating systems or installing renewable technologies. To qualify, your business must operate in Coventry and Warwickshire, employ fewer than 250 employees and have an annual turnover of less than €50 million
The Green New Deal Fund THE GREEN NEW DEAL FUND - GNDF Amber amberinfrastructure.com	Not known	Seeks to support the low carbon sector in Newcastle, Northumberland and North Tyneside by providing flexible and competitive finance to enable, accelerate or enhance viable low carbon projects. GNDF aims to catalyse investment in green growth, stimulate innovation, create green jobs and enable sector and supply chain growth in the areas of decentralised energy, heat decarbonisation, energy efficiency, small scale renewable energy generation, local energy systems, low carbon transport and natural capital.
Carbon Reduction Grant Manchester Carbon Reduction Grant GM Business Growth Hub	Not known	if you're an SME in Greater Manchester, you might be eligible for an energy efficiency grant of between £1,000 and £12,500 to help with up to 50% of the costs of your energy efficiency improvements. The grants are available on a first-come first-served basis and can be put towards the cost of a new LED lighting system for your premises, heating equipment upgrades, replacement drives or motors and process efficiency investments.
The Business Energy Saving Team BEST – Fully funded energy advice and guidance for businesses. (best-ne.co.uk)	Not known	A project funded by the European Regional Development Fund and delivered by local councils. It aims to reduce energy use and costs in SMEs based in Gateshead, Newcastle, North Tyneside, Northumberland and Sunderland. The programme can provide your business with a fully-funded energy efficiency audit designed to help you identify ways that you can save energy in your day-to-day business operations. This will help you save money and reduce your carbon footprint.
Other		
New Grants Programme for Historic Building Projects in England https://ahfund.org.uk/news/latest/new-grants-programme-for-historic-building-projects-in-england/	Available since 14 April 2023	Following on from the achievements of the Transforming Places through Heritage programme, this new funding for 2023-2024 will focus on helping charities and social enterprises through the early stages of planning to restore and re-use historic buildings. Project Viability Grants of up to £10,000 can be used to meet a range of costs, including fees for professionals to undertake initial surveys, designs and costings, advice on legal and governance matters, and help with outline business planning, market testing, and fundraising strategies. It prioritise projects that:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> involve the new use of a vacant historic building help revive high streets are in the top 30% most deprived areas involve and support communities traditionally underrepresented among heritage asset owners have a strong focus on environmental sustainability and energy efficiency contribute to local regeneration schemes.
Boiler Upgrade Scheme (BUS) England and Wales Apply for the Boiler Upgrade Scheme: Overview - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) Item details Finance Locator (gov.wales)	31 Dec 2027	<p>The Government is providing grants to encourage property owners to install low carbon heating systems such as heat pumps, through the Boiler Upgrade Scheme (BUS). These grants are intended to help property owners overcome the upfront cost of low carbon heating technologies. The scheme will be open to domestic and small non-domestic properties in England and Wales. It will run from 2022 to 2028.</p> <p>Small non-domestic property owners, eg landlords and those with properties in the private sector, may qualify for support. Homes will also be eligible. The property must be in England or Wales. It will need to have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An installation capacity up to 45kWth (this covers most homes). A valid Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) with no outstanding recommendations for loft or cavity wall insulation. <p>To be eligible for the scheme, the commissioning date of the heating system must be on or after 1 April 2022. Installers will apply for the grant on behalf of the property owner. The value of the grant will be discounted off the price paid.</p>
Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargepoint Grant for Landlords Item details Finance Locator (gov.wales) Electric vehicle chargepoint and infrastructure grants for landlords: What you can get - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)		<p>The following organisations can apply for this grant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landlords with property that they let. Right to manage (RTM) companies. Residents’ management companies (RMCs). Companies owning the freehold of a property. Companies owning a building’s common areas, including shareholders who are the property’s leaseholders property factor in Scotland. Private registered providers of social housing (PRP). Public authorities, such as government departments and their agencies, the armed forces, local government, the NHS and emergency services. Charities managing or owning residential property. <p>Applicants must be a landlord or other entity that rents, leases or manages properties in the UK.</p>
Welsh Government Finance Grant locator		
Pembroke – UK Shared Prosperity Fund: Business Support	Not known	Grants are available to support local businesses in Pembrokeshire that are starting up, growing, or improving their energy efficiency, as part of the wider UK Shared Prosperity Fund programme.

https://financelocator.businesswales.gov.wales/businesswales/Scheme/View/Pembrokeshire-UK-Shared-Prosperity-Fund-Business-Support-GRUKBP3!S50226?search=7d447b3191c44e17a6944f08923bb56f&cdp=3&cip=10&bcr=MTIzOQ		
<p>Carmarthenshire - UK Shared Prosperity Fund: Business Growth Grant</p> https://financelocator.businesswales.gov.wales/businesswales/Scheme/View/Carmarthenshire-UK-Shared-Prosperity-Fund-Business-Growth-Grant-GRUKBP3!S45041?search=10202899cb0e4f16b45af1ced6ecc7d2&cip=10&bcr=MTIzOQ	Not known	Grants are available to support existing local businesses in Carmarthenshire to grow and/or ensure their sustainability, as part of the wider UK Shared Prosperity Fund programme.