

HELP TO ADAPT YOUR HOME

Grants are available to help older people and people with disabilities make their homes safer, more accessible and suitable for independent living.

Our Council administers three national grant schemes, while Council tenants can also seek adaptations to their local authority home:

HOUSING ADAPTATION GRANT

Accessible bathrooms, ramps, stair/through-floor lifts, hoists, wheelchair access and extensions. **Up to €40,000.**

People with a physical, sensory, intellectual or mental-health disability where adaptations are needed and household income is **under €75,000 p.a.**

MOBILITY AIDS GRANT

Grab rails, ramps, level-access showers, stair lifts and fixed-track hoists. **Up to €8,000.**

People with an income of less than €37,500 p.a. who need adaptations to address mobility difficulties.

HOUSING AID FOR OLDER PEOPLE

Essential repairs and improvements, including structural repairs, rewiring, windows, doors & sanitary facilities. **Up to €10,700.**

Generally people aged 66+ living in poor housing conditions with a household **income less than €75,000 p.a.**

COUNCIL TENANT ADAPTATIONS

Adaptations to **Council-owned homes**, such as accessible bathrooms, ramps, widened doors, grab rails and stair lifts.

Council tenants whose home requires adaptation due to **disability or age-related needs.**

Eligibility for the three private-home grants is generally means-tested, with the level of support depending on household income and the type of work required. Applications must be approved before work begins.

If you or a family member could benefit from an adaptation, I would encourage you to contact the Local Council's Housing Grants section to discuss your circumstances and the appropriate scheme.

NEED ADVICE?

If you need any advice about these schemes or indeed any government programme, please get in touch with me by telephone **085 2692085**, email **shay.brennan@oireachtas.ie** or come to one of my Advice Clinics.

EXPANDING AVAILABILITY

RETROFIT GRANTS AT GLANCE

BOILER SCRAPPAGE
SCHEME OF **€2,000**
for houses built pre-2021

GRANT OF **€600**
for home battery energy
storage systems

WARMER HOME SCHEME
FULLY-FUNDED
SOLAR PV + BATTERY (up to 4kWp)
(5kWh)



SOCIAL PROTECTION SUPPORT
UP TO €9,000

Solar PV + battery for eligible homeowners in receipt of certain Department of Social Protection payments



RAS TENANCIES
UP TO €9,000
to provide 100% median cost grants for solar PV (up to 4kWp) and battery (5kWh) systems



MEDICALLY VULNERABLE SCHEME
SOLAR PV + BATTERY
Up to 4kWp SPV systems with 5kWh battery storage.



SOLAR PV / SOLAR THERMAL GRANTS
WORTH €1,800

Now extended to houses built and occupied pre-2025.



ATTIC INSULATION
€1,400-€2,500
For homes in HAP/RAS tenancies.



CAVITY WALL INSULATION
€900-€2,300
For homes in HAP/RAS tenancies.



Your Guide To

RETROFITTING & HOME ADAPTATIONS

Household
savings of up to

€878

per year where solar
& battery installed



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DEAR RESIDENTS

We are committed to helping reduce fossil-fuel use, tackle energy costs and improve energy security. The National Retrofitting Scheme introduced by Fianna Fáil in Government aims to support households to upgrade homes with multiple grants available. The measures are designed to make energy upgrades more affordable, more flexible and easier to access.

We recently introduced a new €2,000 boiler-scrappage scheme, increased solar and insulation grants, battery support, and stronger assistance for households experiencing or at risk of energy poverty.

Households could save up to €878 a year if opting for solar and battery storage. The changes are being delivered through the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) and follow work by the National Energy Affordability Taskforce.

This guide explains the main routes to energy upgrades but should you need more information please do not hesitate to contact my office or the SEAI.

Shay Brennan

NEED HELP WITH THE COST? HOME ENERGY UPGRADE LOAN SCHEME

The Government-backed Home Energy Upgrade Loan Scheme can help eligible homeowners finance the cost of an energy upgrade alongside an SEAI grant.

- Borrow from €5,000 to €75,000
- Repay over 1–10 years
- No security or personal guarantee required

Interest rates vary between participating lenders. The scheme is currently available until 31st December 2026, or until the available funding is fully allocated.

Lenders include: AIB • Bank of Ireland • PTSB • An Post Money, and participating credit unions. Check sbci.gov.ie

Rates and lending criteria vary between providers. Borrowing may reduce what you can borrow in future, including for a mortgage. Take independent advice before you apply. Works must be carried out by an SEAI-registered One Stop Shop or Project Coordinator.

INDIVIDUAL ENERGY UPGRADE GRANTS

Individual Energy Upgrade Grants allow homeowners to improve their homes one step at a time.

You choose the improvements, obtain quotes from SEAI-registered contractors, apply for the relevant grant and manage the work yourself.

The actual grant depends on the measure and, for some measures, the type of property.

Homeowners manage their upgrades including:

- Contractor selection and grant application
- Contractor works
- Follow up BER

Who this is for?

For homeowners and landlords who want:

- Individual energy upgrades
- To manage their own project
- To apply for the grant themselves
- To pay for full cost of works and claim grants afterwards

Criteria for homes

For homes built and occupied before:

- 2011 for insulation, windows & doors
- 2021 for heat pumps
- 2025 for solar and battery storage

N.B. An enhanced attic insulation grant is available for First-Time Buyers and welfare recipients

Grants available include

Measure	Apt.	Mid-Ter.	S.D/End.	Detached
Attic	€1,100	€1,400	€1,500	€2,000
Attic (FTB/W)	€1,400	€1,800	€1,900	€2,500
Cavity Wall	€700	€850	€1,300	€1,800
Solar PV (max)	€1,800	€1,800	€1,800	€1,800
Dry Lining	€1,500	€2,000	€3,500	€4,500
External Walls	€3,000	€3,500	€6,000	€8,000
Doors (2 max)	2 x €800	2 x €800	2 x €800	2 x €800
Windows	€1,500	€1,800	€3,000	€4,000
Heat Pump	€9,500	€12,500	€12,500	€12,500

* An additional €2,000 if scrapping a boiler.

Scan the QR code to link to SEAI.ie



ONE STOP SHOP SERVICE - WHAT IS INCLUDED

Complete home energy upgrade solution

Grants can be combined with the Home Energy Upgrade Loan



For detailed information scan the QR code with the camera function of your smartphone.



What is included?

A One Stop Shop will manage your upgrade including:

- Home energy assessment
- Grant application
- Project management
- Contractor works
- Follow up BER

Who this is for?

For homeowners and landlords who want:

- Multiple energy upgrades
- To upgrade to a minimum B BER
- A fully managed solution including grant applications
- To pay for the works net of eligible grant

Criteria for homes

For homes built and occupied before:

- 2011 for insulation, windows, doors and heating controls
- 2021 for heat pumps
- 2025 for solar and battery storage
- All homes must complete a minimum level of energy upgrades and achieve a minimum BER rating of B

BOILER SCRAPPAGE SCHEME OF €2,000 for houses built pre-2021

GRANT OF €600 for home battery energy storage systems

FULLY FUNDED ENERGY GRANT - WARMER HOMES SCHEME

For qualifying home built and occupied pre 2006. Fully funded by SEAI. All home upgrade costs covered

What is included?

This service is managed by SEAI and includes:

- Home survey
- Contractor selection
- Contractor works



For more information and to check your eligibility visit seai.ie/homeenergygrants



Who this is for?

For qualifying homeowners in receipt of certain welfare benefits:

- Fuel Allowance
- Jobseeker's Allowance for over six months with a child under seven
- Working Family Payment
- One-Parent Family Payment

- Domiciliary Care Allowance
- Carer's Allowance and live with the person you are caring for
- Disability Allowance for over six months with a child under seven

Criteria for homes

For homes built and occupied before:

- 2006 for insulation and heating systems

Don't delay

If you think you are eligible, apply now. Demand for the scheme is very high, and it currently takes 24 to 26 months from application to completion.

You can apply for individual grants (such as up to €2,500 for attic insulation and €2,300 for wall insulation) while staying on the free Warmer Homes Scheme waiting list.

Other supports

In the meantime make sure you are getting all the supports available including the **Fuel Allowance**. The **Additional Needs Payment** is also available for households experiencing difficulty.

