

Leading the Charge – Energy Saving & Tackling Climate Change

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A Greener Game for Future Generations



Why energy saving and climate action are essential

- Rising energy costs are impacting clubs' viability.
- Climate change threatens the long-term sustainability of outdoor sports.
- Our clubs are vital community hubs let's protect them for the long term.
- We have an opportunity to lead by example in Welsh sport.



Making sense of your survey

- What your survey includes:
 - Building fabric condition (insulation, windows, etc.)
 - Heating and hot water systems
 - Lighting
 - Energy use patterns
 - Recommendations for improvement
- Look at:
 - Quick wins (low-cost actions)
 - High-impact upgrades (e.g., heat pumps, insulation, LED lighting)
 - Prioritise based on payback period, cost, and ease of implementation



Turning insight into action

Step 1: Review the energy survey with key decision-makers in your club

Step 2: Identify and rank recommendations by priority

Step 3: Set realistic goals – short, medium, long-term

Step 4: Assign responsibilities and timelines

Step 5: Prepare a funding strategy



Funding support to help you take action

Sport Wales Energy Saving Grant

- Launching 21st May
- Supports implementation of survey recommendations
- Focus on high-impact upgrades and carbon reduction

Welsh Government – Ynni Cymru Smart Local Energy Systems (SLES) Grant

- Supports localised energy generation and management (e.g., solar PV, battery storage)
- Ideal for clubs with larger or shared facilities

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Eligibility

Freeholders or leaseholders will be able to apply. For leasehold applicants, a minimum **7 years** must be remaining on the lease at the time of submission. Evidence of your lease or confirmation of freeholder consent will also be required in the application.

Examples of projects

- Solar panels and storage batteries
- Insulation (walls, roofs, etc.)
- New windows and doors
- Lighting (not including floodlights or lighting for playing areas)
- Better heating and hot water systems (not for catering-only purposes)
- Sustainable water systems (e.g. rainwater harvesting / boreholes)

We recommend looking at **more than one project within your application** for example: Roof insulation, LED lighting and solar panels.



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Funding

The maximum award will be £25,000

All successful applicants will be required to contribute a minimum 20%. The energy survey cost of which can be included as part of the applicant contribution.

Energy Survey

All clubs have received their reports and can utilise the findings to apply for funding.

Quotes

We recommend obtaining at least one quote before submitting your Stage 1 application. This will give you an approximate cost for your project and help inform your application.



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Dates & Process 2025

- Submit your Expression of Interest soon as possible and you'll be invited to Stage
 1 of the application. <u>Submit your EOI now!</u>
- Stage 1 opens 21st May 9.00
- Online drop-in clinic Tuesday 27th May 13.00-17.00
- Stage 1 closes 25th June 15.00
- Stage 2 opens 16th July 10.00
- Stage 2 closes 1st October 15.00

Projects should be completed within 12 months of grant being received. Your project will need to start **before** 31st March 2026



What to do next

- Review your energy survey
- Identify priority projects
- Start drafting your club's energy action plan
- Contact Cricket Wales for support or advice
- Get ready for funding applications
- Celebrate your progress and share your success



We're with you every step of the way

One-to-one support in reading your survey

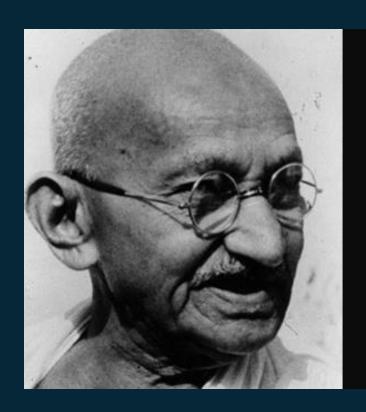
Help with action planning

Guidance and templates for funding applications

Connecting clubs with trusted suppliers and partners



A sustainable future starts today



The future depends on what we do in the present.

— Mahatma Gandhi —



Questions & Answers

