

Top Tips to Be a Greener Business

improve productivity, save money, reduce your carbon footprint and more...



1. Carry out an energy audit

An energy audit is a great way to assess how much energy your business uses and find ways to reduce your consumption. Speak to your energy supplier or carry out an audit yourself for free.







2. Energy efficiency grants & schemes

Many government schemes offer loans, grants or subsidised energysaving measures to support small businesses with reducing their impact on the environment.







3. Install a smart meter

A smart meter can help you to track energy usage, costs and identify areas of where you can save energy within the business. It won't cost you anything. Speak to your energy supplier to find out more visit: www.smallbusiness.co.uk (search meters)





4. Switch to LED bulbs

Switching to energy efficient LEDs consume around 80% less electricity than normal light bulbs saving money on your energy bills. Find out more here:

www.carbontrust.com (search lighting overview guide)



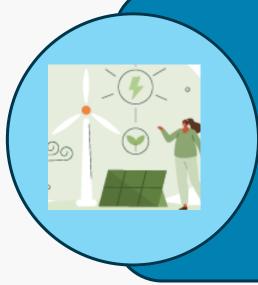


5. Insulate your building

Insulating your building improves energy efficiency keeping the cold out and the heat in helping to reduce your energy bills. Find out more here:

www.businessclimatehub.org (search insulation).





6. Install renewable energy

If you're looking for a more energy-efficient alternative to cut your energy bills why not try adding solar panels. Solar Together Berkshire is a scheme enabling small businesses to install panels and battery storage at a competitive price. Visit: www.solartogether.co.uk/wokingham





7. Try our e-cargo bikes & promote active travel

Businesses in Wokingham Borough can loan an e-cargo bike for free through My Journey. It is a greener way to transport to customers for those multiple short trips. My Journey also promotes active and ecofriendly commuting for businesses across the Borough.







8. Electrifying your fleet

When compared to a fuelled car, an electric car can be driven for as little as one pence per mile compared to a fuel car and with fewer moving parts there are less service costs and no nasty emissions into the air.

Visit: www.energysavingtrust.org.uk (search SMEs cars)



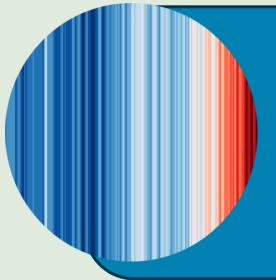


9. Minimise waste

Waste disposal can be costly for businesses. Several organisations offer free waste audits to businesses to help work out where your waste is coming from.

Find out more here: www.fsb.org.uk (search waste)





10. Visit our Climate Emergency Hub

The Climate Emergency Hub brings together information to act as a central point for businesses & residents in the borough to find out more about how to reduce their carbon footprint with Find out more here: www.wokingham.gov.uk/climate-emergency



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