

BERR Low Carbon Buildings Programme Phase 2

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Low Carbon Buildings Programme (LCBP) Phase 2

Aim:

Increase the uptake of microgeneration installations in the not for profit and public sector

Key objectives:

- Reduce cost
- Demonstration on a wider scale
- Greater visibility and improved understanding by the general public as a result



Who can apply?

- public sector and not-for-profit organisations
- covers the whole of the UK (except Isle of Man and Channel Islands)



What technologies can be funded?



Solar
photovoltaic (PV)



Solar thermal
hot water



Wind turbines



Ground source
heat pumps



Pellet stoves



Wood-fuelled
boilers

Funding available: Phase 2

- 50% for all eligible microgeneration technologies
- Up to £1 million per site
- A site may include more than one property
- A maximum of three eligible technologies at each property unless pre-agreed by BRE and BERR
- One organisation can apply for multiple sites

What can the grant be used for?

- supply and installation of microgeneration technology at a permanent building
- capital and installation costs only
- Retrospective applications are not eligible but projects partly under way may be



Other grant criteria

- Size limits: Electricity 50kW; Heat 45kW
- Benchmarks in terms of £/tCO₂ also apply and may act as a cap on grant



How does the application process work?

- apply **online** (faster)
- **postal** applications are also accepted
- **confirmation** sent within 2 working days of receipt
- **decision** within 5-7 working days
- applications **over £100k** require more detailed assessments and a decision will be made within 20 working days

Supporting documents needed

Electronic copies of:

- quotations from all installers
- proof of not-for-profit status / type / legal entity
- *On-line applicants can upload documents*
- *Postal applicants must supply on CD-ROM or floppy disk.*



How long will the grant offer be valid for?

- Valid for 12 months from the date of the grant offer letter (by which time the installation must be completed)
- For at least 5 years following payment of the grant, the technology must:
 - remain installed and in use at the property;
 - not be modified or relocated in such a way as may adversely affect its performance.



When is the LCBP2 grant paid?

- **Interim** claim of up to 50% of the total grant for on-going work and/or capital costs.
- **Final** claim once the installation has been paid for and commissioned



Match funding

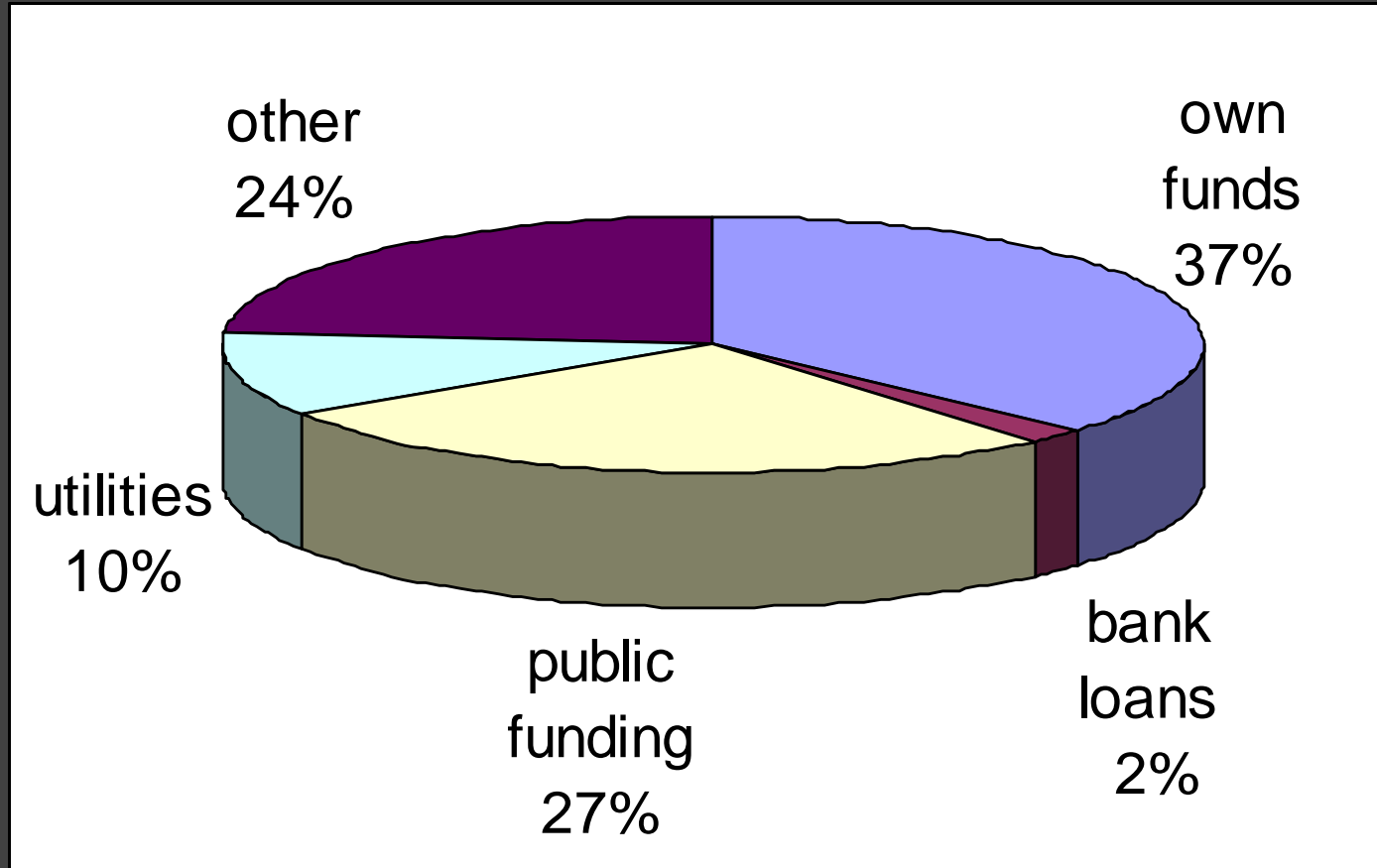


local government and BIG Lottery

X other national government or devolved administrations sources, i.e.

- Low Carbon Buildings Programme Phase 1,
- Bioenergy Capital Grants Scheme
- Scottish Community and Household Renewables Initiative
- Scottish Biomass Support Scheme.

Sources of match funding under LCBP Phase2



Others include: The Co-op Group Green Energy for Schools Programme; Heritage and National Lottery Funding; RDA; local sustainable development funds; local fundraising; EU Objective 2

Who installs the systems?

- BERR appointed Framework Suppliers
A detailed list of suppliers is on the LCBP2 website.
 - *They either install it themselves or appoint an approved installer*
- Framework Suppliers were selected by BERR following a competitive tender process to ensure quality, range and value for money
- Contact the Framework Suppliers directly to obtain quotes



Framework Suppliers

FS	PV	GSHP	Biomass boilers/stoves	Solar thermal	Wind turbines
British Gas	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dimplex UK Ltd		Y			
E.On UK		Y	Y		Y
SML				Y	
Solarcentury	Y				
RES Heat & Power			Y		
TLCP	Y			Y	Y

Size limits

Governed by the Energy Act 2004

- (a) electricity, 50 kilowatts
- (b) heat, 45 kilowatts thermal.

Contribution to the first 50 or 45 kW may be considered where multiple LCBP2 products are combined within one installation



Energy Efficiency

- Buildings need to meet the building regulations applicable at the time of construction or major refurbishment

BUT

- The more energy efficient a building is the smaller the microgeneration system can be

What to look out for when applying for grants - summary

- Check for eligibility
- Make sure project management team is in place
- Carry out options appraisal
- Select technology / ies
- Get quotes - select Framework Supplier
- Identify match funding
- Check project can be delivered within deadline
- Submit final claim

.....all of the above takes time!!!



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