

## Cut carbon, collect cashback!

**Zero Waste Scotland** are offering an **SME Loan Fund**, aimed at supporting business owners who want to make their premises more energy efficient, cut their carbon and reduce their bills.

**Unsecured, interest-free loans from £1,000 up to £100,000 are available, with up to £20,000 cashback allocated to those who qualify on a first-come, first-served basis and subject to availability.** The SME Loan, funded by the Scottish Government, can be used for the installation of heating renewables and many energy efficient measures (such as heating, ventilation, air conditioning, building fabric, and more).

**Zero Waste Scotland**, funded by the Scottish Government and the European Regional Development Fund, offers free advice to Scottish organisations to be more energy efficient. It aims to address the climate emergency, as well as helping to achieve the Scottish Government's strategic economic objectives around climate change and zero waste targets.



### Eligibility

The loan is available to Scottish businesses that fall within the EU definition of Small and Medium-sized Enterprise (SME), not-for-profit organisations, and charities.

### How cashback works

Cashback will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and subject to availability and will be awarded as follows:

- 30% of eligible costs up to a maximum of £10,000 can be claimed by qualifying applicants for any energy efficiency measures
- 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum of £10,000 can be claimed by qualifying applicants for any air/ground/water source heat pump, biomass boiler or solar thermal renewable technologies.

A maximum of £20,000 cashback can be awarded to a single business for eligible technologies and across all of SME applications (previous or current).

For full details on eligibility criteria, the full list of qualifying technologies, and to make an application, visit the Zero Waste Scotland website –

<https://energy.zerowastescotland.org.uk/SMELoan>

If you need further information regarding this scheme, please email [info@thomsoncooper.com](mailto:info@thomsoncooper.com).

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