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 **DISTRICT HEATING LOANS**

**Expression of interest form**

**PURPOSE**

The Scottish Government is committed to supporting the development of district heating networks in Scotland which will improve efficiency and cut emissions, as well as delivering financial benefits to the occupiers of homes and businesses.

The District Heating Loan Fund aims to provide capital loans for both low carbon and renewable technologies in order to overcome a range of infrastructural issues and help towards implementation costs of these projects. Related technical support will also be available.

**MAIN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

The scheme will be open to:

* Registered social landlords
* Local authorities
* Small to medium sized enterprises (SMEs)
* Energy Services Companies (ESCOs)

 (Individuals and householders are not eligible)

**KEY FEATURES**

* Loans typically up to £500,000\* with a repayment period of 10 or 15 years
* 3.5% interest rate (to low risk recipients)
* Security not required (unsecured loans)
* Competitive bidding process
* Capital loans for up to £100% of project costs
* Technical support available

\* (applications for higher loan amounts will be considered on a case by case basis)

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

If you wish to note interest in the scheme, please fill in your contact details below and as much information as possible about the project(s) for which you are seeking funding.

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| Name of organisation |  |
| Type of organisation (i.e RSL, LA, SME, community group) |  |
| Address 1 |  |
| Address 2 |  |
| Town |  |
| Region |  |
| Postcode |  |
| Key Contact Name |  |
| Telephone Number |  |
| Email Address |  |
| Second contact name & tel no if possible |  |
| Project description.(including whether there are any plans to connect households - and when your project is likely to commence) |     (continue overleaf)  |
| Estimated Loan ValueRequired. |  |

**Please note that this form only constitutes an expression of interest. Full application forms and more detailed information will be available from the Energy Saving Trust following submission of expression of interest.**

**Please email completed form to**: districtheatingloans@est.org.uk