

# **Dŵr Anafon – Energy Savings Grant**

## **Applicant Guidelines**

Please read these guidelines before completing and submitting your application. If you require more information, please contact [info@dwranafon.co.uk](mailto:info@dwranafon.co.uk)

## **What is the Dŵr Anafon Energy Savings Grant?**

The grant is managed by Dŵr Anafon, the Charitable Incorporated Company set up to distribute the disposable profits from Ynni Anafon, the hydroelectric community venture above Abergwyngregyn. This grant was established to improve the housing stock in Abergwyngregyn through supporting improving energy efficiency measures. Every financial year (April – March), trustees ringfence a proportion of its funds, (subject to availability and currently £10,000), for this purpose. The scheme is only open to properties in Abergwyngregyn.

## **Overview**

The type of work that will be considered is anything that will improve the energy efficiency of the property, such as insulation, damp-proofing, replacement windows, solar panels, new energy efficient boiler etc. Before applying for a grant, applicants are required to commission a Home Energy Efficiency Measures (EEM) survey, to be carried out by a professional with recommendations given. We will also accept an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) which highlights an energy efficiency improvement could be made with the work, except in the case of major or more specialist works. This is the information needed by applicants to support their application to Dŵr Anafon for help with the costs. Please note, ARC will contribute 50% towards the cost of these reports.

Every application will be verified by two designated trustees to ensure the criteria is met and that all the information and supporting documents have been provided. Once verified, applications are considered by the trustees at the next board meeting.

## **Funding available**

Each property that meets the criteria shall be entitled to a one-off grant of £500.

A further grant of up to £2,500 will be available to those that meet the criteria and who are able to match the amount provided by Dŵr Anafon, either from their own funds and/or funds provided by another charity or service

Applicants cannot apply more than once in any 12 month period, up to the maximum amount of £3,000 in the first year, and up to £2,400 in a subsequent year, all as per the above conditions. Applications will be considered subject to funding being available.

## **Exclusions**

Retrospective funding – where a contractor has already been engaged, a deposit paid or when work has already been completed or started - will not be considered.

Properties outside the boundaries of Abergwyngregyn

## **Completing the application form**

### **Section 1 – About You**

Please complete each section as appropriate.

### **Section 2 – About your Energy Efficiency project**

Tell us what you are wanting to do and the address of the property where the work is to be carried out if it is different to the address in section 1.

Dŵr Anafon can only support improvements suggested in your EEM survey report or EPC 'suggested improvements' to increase EPC score, so make sure you include it with your application.

Be realistic with start and finish dates; issues like planning permission and structural works often take longer than expected.

### **Section 3 – Financial Information/Quotes obtained**

This section deals with the costs involved.

Please list every item for which you are seeking funding and provide three separate quotations for them all. Note, you will need to include these with your submission.

There must be a two quotations attached and each must clearly show the date, name and address of applicant, and where VAT is added the VAT registration number MUST be shown. The trustees reserve the right to request further quotations.

Please list all other funders/potential funders, confirmed or unconfirmed, and the amount you are seeking from them.

Finally, at the end of this section please state how much grant aid you are requesting from Dŵr Anafon

### **Section 4 – Project Check List**

Please refer to the project check list on the final page of the form and include all the documents when you are submitting your application.

### **Grant Award**

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application.

Where a grant has been offered we would expect work to be completed and invoiced within six months of notification of such. If this is not the case the trustees reserve the right to allocate the funding elsewhere. A new application would then need to be made.

Any funds agreed will be provided to applicants as a bank transfer payment into their bank, , once the work is completed and on presentation of receipts or invoice.