

## Free insulation from the City of Edinburgh Council

### What's on offer?

You may be able to get free loft insulation, including 'top-up' insulation, and cavity wall insulation. The Council has funding from the Scottish Government to cover the cost of insulating all suitable homes in our area.

It's not means-tested in any way; the only condition is that the property must be suitable for the type of insulation available. This is determined by a free no-obligation survey by the appointed installer, Carillion.

### How can I get this offer?

To find out if your home is suitable for free insulation:

- call the Home Energy Scotland Hotline on **0800 512 012**. If calling from a mobile, dial 0300 456 2655 to be charged at local network rates
- text 'WARM' to **81025**
- or e-mail [freeinsulation@se.energysavingscotland.org.uk](mailto:freeinsulation@se.energysavingscotland.org.uk)

### Why is it a good deal?

We can help you save money – in the current economic climate that is only a good thing. Loft insulation saves around £175\* a year and cavity wall insulation saves around £135\* a year, so with no up-front costs it's an easy way to save money and go greener too.

### Who is funding this?

As the Scottish Government is serious about tackling the growing issue of fuel poverty in Scotland, as well as reducing carbon emissions, it has invested over **£16 million** this financial year to fund this scheme. The scheme also makes use of funding that's already available through the [Carbon Emissions Reduction Target](#) (CERT), a UK-wide scheme that uses money from the energy companies to fund carbon-saving measures like insulation.

This is joined-up approach by Government, councils and energy saving organisations reduces carbon emissions, tackling fuel poverty and reducing the impact of high energy costs. By pooling the funding schemes, every **£1** of government money spent, **almost twice as much CERT funding** is used to supplement the work being done.

### Why act now?

CERT funding is available now but it won't be here forever. Now is a good time to cash in on the funding before the current system is changed. The Council wants as many residents as possible take advantage of the funding while it lasts.

\* Savings from Energy Saving Trust October 2011; based on a three-bed semi detached house using gas heating at 4.49p per unit.



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