

SUPPORTING SME RESOURCE EFFICIENCY

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TO BE A GLOBALLY RECOGNISED ECONOMY WHERE GOOD GROWTH DELIVERS HIGH LEVELS OF PROSPERITY, JOBS AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR EVERYONE

OUR TRANSFORMATIVE VISION FOR LEEDS CITY REGION





STRATEGIC ECONOMIC PLAN



PROMOTING GOOD GROWTH:

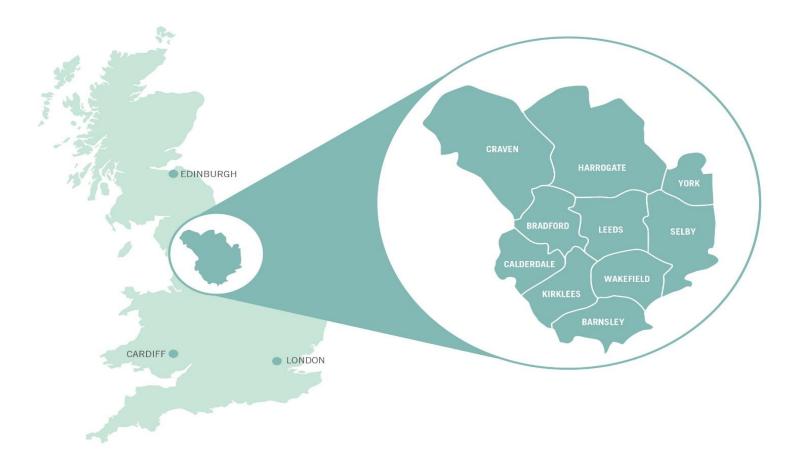






OUR GEOGRAPHY

LEEDS CITY REGION: HEART OF THE NATION







LEP SME SUPPORT OFFER

AVAILABLE NOW:

Capital grants £10-250k, **capital loans** £0.5-1.0m, Finpoint, Market Invoice



Growth Service: intensive support for growth SMEs



AD:Venture for prestarts & start-ups: capital grants and business support

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COMING SOON:

Travel Plan Network:

discounted corporate

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travel advice & support,

Access Innovation: support for new and innovative products and processes Digital Enterprise: digital technology grants and business support Resource Efficiency Fund: Free

assessments and grants

Strategic Business Growth: advisory and financial support for growth SMEs



Skills Service: skills diagnostics, training advice, and apprenticeship hubs and support

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THE RESOURCE EFFICIENCY FUND

An ERDF funded business support product to assist Leeds City Region SMEs to identify, fund and implement capital resource efficiency improvements to:

- Save costs (& carbon)
- Become more resilient to future price increases
- Improve their business credentials







THE OFFER

- *Free independent assessment* worth up to £1100 to assess equipment, premises, processes and performance to find opportunities for improvements in energy / resource usage.
- Potential access to 50% capital grant funding (min grant £1k / max £10k) limited availability.
- Wrap around support tailored to the individual business' needs.







WHO IS IT FOR?

Businesses:

- Based in the Kirklees, Calderdale, Wakefield, Leeds, Bradford, Selby, Craven, York or Harrogate
- Employing fewer than 250 employees
- Having a turnover of less than the equivalent of € 50 million per annum or an annual balance sheet of less than € 43 million
- Primarily serving other businesses i.e. minimal B2C activities.
- Able to provide 12 months consumption data (this usually excludes new start-ups)
- Not having received > €200,000 De Minimis Aid in last 3 years

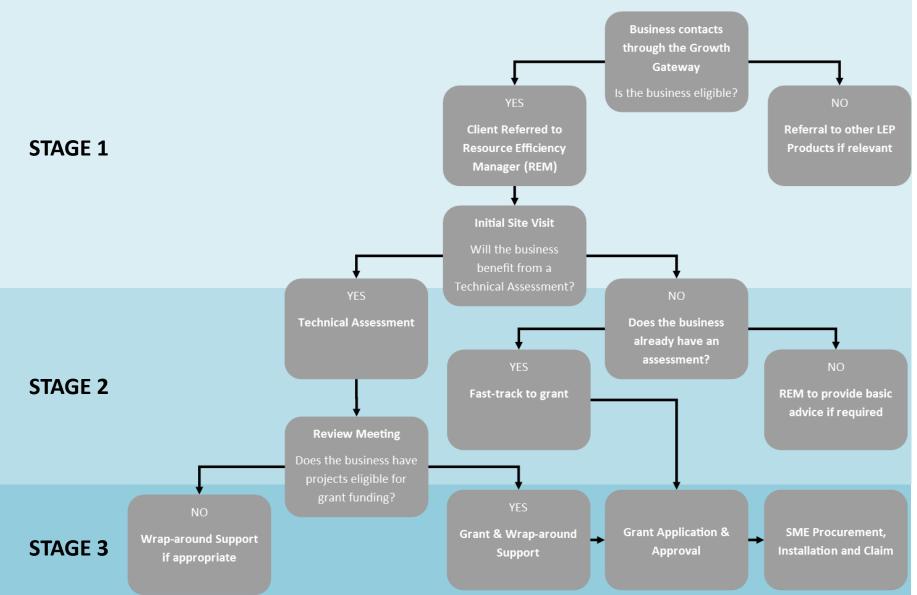
Primary target businesses are those with high resource usage e.g. medium sized manufacturing sector.

Ineligible industries and activities include retail, banking and insurance, agriculture/fisheries and road freight transport.





THE PROCESS







ASSESSMENT OUTPUTS

Detailed Resource Efficiency Audit

in terms of energy savings.

Currently both water heating and space heating is delivered by electric point of use water heaters and electric oil-filled heaters. In the production process hot water (from electric point of use heater) and cold water is mixed together until the required temperature for the product is reached. As there is no

temperature control on the water dispensed, it is necessary to dispense an extra 40-50% of water and then pour this away to drain, in order to achieve the desired temperature. Achieving the desired temperature is therefore very difficult and takes an inefficient amount of time and water wasted. In addition, the small under-sink tank of the point of use water heater does not

Energy

Rank	Recommendation & Description	Potential Annual Savings TCO2 & kWh (pa)	Estimated Capital Cost £	Estimated Savings £ (pa)	Estimated Payback Period (Years)	Potential Funding Sources				
1	The current extraction system for the oven is not operable. Therefore the pedestrian access door must be kept open to allow steam/warm air to escape the premises (otherwise condensation is forming and dripping from the roof). This means that in colder weather the gas heater is on a lot of the time for staff thermal comfort. Replacing the extraction system would enable the pedestrian access door to be closed, thus requiring less comfort heating in		5,000 Estimated – awaiting costs from client	80	62.5	WYCA Resource Efficiency Fund Commercial Ioan Funding Circle (Ioan)				
	the production area.	Top 3 Recommended "No or Low Cost" Opportunities								
	This is a business critical improvement, despite the long payhack	The following recommendations are the priority actions you could take today with no or very low cost								

nmendations are the priority actions you could take today with no or very low cost implications. You should expect to see payback on these actions within 1 year. Highlighted in the Detailed Resource Efficiency Audit tables.

Rank	Recommendations	Annual savings potential									
		Waste saving	Electricity saving	Gas saving	Water saving	Effluent saving	CO ₂ saving	Estimated Capital Cost	Estimated Savings £ (pa)	Estimated Payback Period (years)	Potential
		T (pa)	kWh (pa)	kWh (pa)	M³ (pa)	M ³ (pa)	T (pa)	£			Funding Sources
1	Insulate the office ceiling	u - /	3,750				1.545	150	660	0.23	Client Funding
2	Replace the office windows		1,500				0.62	0	264	0	Leeds City Council
3	Install a 2-rate electricity meter						0	0	720	0	Energy Provider

Top 5 Recommended Investment Opportunities

These recommendations will reduce your resource impacts and potentially save you money, but will need a higher level of investment and will take longer to payback. The Resource Efficiency Fund may be able to support you with some of these investments. Highlighted in the Detailed Resource Efficiency Audit tables

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1	Install a gas combi boiler and metered mixer tap to replace electric point of use water heaters (production water heating) and electric oil-filled heaters (space heating)	(22)	4,000	(54)	170	(pu)	1.68	7,000 + 2,000	2040 (elec) 704 (water)	3.43	Carbon Trust Green Business Fund WYCA Resource Efficiency Fund
2	Install a Climator to improve the efficiency of the warm room		750				0.31	3000	132	22.73	WYCA Resource Efficiency Fund





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EXAMPLES OF CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS

- Specific Project examples:
 - Replacing an aging 37kw air compressor to save £7000 per annum in energy costs, with payback in four years (pregrant)
 - Investing in a dual waste baler to improve recycling levels and open avenues for additional income by compacting card and polythene waste
 - Replacing an immersion heater with a high efficiency combi boiler and specialist water mixing tap to save £2000 in energy and £700 in water costs per annum, with a five year payback (pre-grant)
- Other 'typical' projects that might be supported:
 - Heating system upgrades
 - Insulation: Building Fabric and pipework
 - Motor replacement (Variable Speed Drives)
 - Staff awareness & behaviour change
 - Lighting: Office and Factory lighting upgrades







IS IT RIGHT FOR YOU?

Does your business:

- Have high utility bills and/or waste disposal costs?
- Need to reduce operating costs or improve efficiency?
- Have outdated and inefficient plant and machinery?
- Find it expensive to heat and/or cool the workplace?
- Have concerns about future energy or material price rises?
- Have concerns about its environmental impacts?
- Need to improve its environmental impact to access supply chain opportunities?

If YES, email <u>businessgrowth@the-lep.com</u> or call **0113 348 1818** to speak to one of our business advisers.









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QUESTIONS

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