



10 Top Tips to Be a Greener Business

improve productivity, save money, reduce
carbon footprint and much more...

1. Carry out an energy audit

An energy audit is a great way to assess how much energy your business uses and find ways to reduce your consumption. Speak to your energy supplier or carry out an audit yourself for free. Visit: www.cse.org.uk (search community buildings)



2. Energy efficiency grants & schemes

Many government schemes offer loans, grants or subsidised energy-saving measures to support small businesses with reducing their impact on the environment.

Find out more here: www.ofgem.gov.uk (search energy grants)



3. Install a smart meter

A smart meter can help you to track energy usage, costs and identify areas of where you can save energy within the business. It won't cost you anything. Speak to your energy supplier to find out more or visit: www.smallbusiness.co.uk (search meters)



4. Switch to LED bulbs

Switching to energy efficient LEDs consume around 80% less electricity than normal light bulbs saving money on your energy bills. Find out more here: www.carbontrust.com (search lighting overview guide)



5. Insulate your building

Insulating your building improves energy efficiency keeping the cold out and the heat in helping to reduce your energy bills. Find out more here: www.businessclimatehub.org



6. Install renewable energy



If your looking for a more energy-efficient alternative to cut your energy bills why not try adding solar panels. Solar Together Berkshire is a scheme enabling small businesses to install panels and battery storage at a competitive price.

Visit: www.solartogether.co.uk/wokingham



7. Empowering sustainable travel



Wokingham My Journey promotes active and eco-friendly commuting for businesses across the Borough. Find out more here: www.myjourneywokingham.com/businesses/



8. Try our e-cargo bikes

Businesses in Wokingham Borough can loan an e-cargo bike for free. It is a greener way to take goods to clients or customers for those multiple short trips.

For more information email: myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk



9. Electrifying your fleet

When compared to a fuelled car, an electric car can be driven for as little as 1 pence per mile compared to a fuel car and with fewer moving parts there are less service costs and no nasty emissions into the air.

Visit: www.energysavingtrust.org.uk (search SMEs cars)



10. Minimise waste

Waste disposal can cost businesses lots of money. Several organisations offer free waste audits to businesses to help work out where your waste is coming from.

Find out more here: www.fsb.org.uk (search waste)



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