

# Smart and Sustainable Investment Grant Scheme

## FAQs

*NOTE: This FAQ document seeks to clarify points on which the Corporation receives a number of enquiries, yet it should not be the main point of reference for understanding the measure. Applicants should read the Incentive guidelines, which are the legal basis for this support measure.*

**1. Are Electric Vehicles Eligible?**

Electric Vehicles will not be considered eligible as support is available through other Government Schemes.

**2. Is the organisation of Transport for Employees eligible?**

No, companies can invest in Electric Vehicles organise their own transport and claim Vehicle costs under other available Government Schemes.

**3. Are renewable energy investments eligible?**

Renewable Energy Investments will not be considered eligible as support is eligible through other available Government Schemes.

**4. Are investments for small scale rental properties such as farmhouses and Airbnb eligible?**

Domestic grade investments, fixtures and equipment will not be considered eligible under this scheme and thus such investments for small scale rental properties are not eligible.

**5. Are double glazed apertures eligible?**

Only double-glazed Apertures having insulated frames are eligible, and only when installed in/used for Commercial and Business Premises.

**6. Are waterproofing and plastering eligible?**

General repair and / or extraordinary maintenance to building is not considered eligible.

**7. Are websites eligible?**

Standalone websites are not eligible.

**8. Are safety installations eligible?**

Safety installations such as Fire, CCTV and Access Controls are not eligible.

**9. Is the migration of in-house servers to the Cloud eligible?**

Given that the storage and generation of energy is being transferred to another platform, then this is not eligible.

**10. Are accounting packages to reduce manual processes including the reduction of office consumables eligible?**

These packages are not eligible under this scheme.

**11. Are tablets eligible?**

Tablets and other similar devices are generally not eligible. They may be considered if they are an integral part of an eligible solution addressing sustainability.

**12. Would investments for remote working and client interface be eligible?**

No such investments are not eligible.

**13. What is the minimum percentage of savings linked to this scheme?**

A project must result in at least 10% savings / 10% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub>. Projects must have a significant impact on the operation and hence solutions achieving lower savings shall not be considered.

**14. Would investments already implemented by an entity be considered eligible?**

Investments which have already been made by an undertaking are not eligible under this Scheme. Any projects applying for funding under this scheme must take place only **after** Corporation Approval.

**15. What action shall be taken regarding old equipment/machinery which is being replaced by new equipment/machinery?**

Any old machinery and equipment should be decommissioned and installation of the new equipment must take place after Corporation's Approval.

In order to further substantiate carbon footprint reduction, it is highly recommended, that a decommissioning certificate prepared by a warranted engineer is then submitted at claim stage together with other claim documentation.

**16. What information and data should the energy audit provide?**

The Energy Audit to be submitted with the application of support through the Smart and Sustainable Development scheme is an assessment to determine how much energy an establishment uses and identify ways to reduce energy consumption and should cover three phases: evaluation, testing, and efficiency recommendations. (Therefore the energy audit is not related to the proposed project, but rather to the current state of the applicant premises)