

Warmer Homes, Cheaper Bills

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Energy efficiency measures are the most simple, cheap and effective way to reduce energy costs, improve health, reduce emissions and stimulate job growth in industries of the future.

Every Tasmanian family and small business knows the cost of energy is rising. For low income households, paying the power bill can be a huge hit on the family budget.

The best, most affordable way to ease this cost on households and small business is to invest in free energy efficiency upgrades that deliver real, long term savings.

The Greens will return to the highly successful energy efficiency rollout established by Greens Ministers between 2010 and 2014 which reached 9500 households, small business and community organisations.

These upgrades deliver average savings of \$250 a year, with some households reporting savings of up to \$800 on power in a single year.

THE GREENS WILL

- ▲ Provide free energy efficiency upgrades for homes.
- ▲ Provide energy efficiency grants to small business and community organizations.

OUR PLAN

Tasmanians traditionally have the highest power bills in the country, as well as the highest levels of electricity consumption – particularly during winter.

Tasmanian is very close to being 100% renewable and energy self-sufficient. Energy efficiency is an excellent way to bring us closer to these goals, and it will become even more essential as we transition towards electric transport and its associated infrastructure.

The Greens will reinstate the previous Greens energy efficiency rollouts, delivering free energy efficiency upgrades for public and community housing, as well as low-income private renters and home owners.

We will make \$8 million available over 4 years, reaching an estimated 8,000 households in order to permanently ease cost of living pressures. Bringing down the cost of living for low-income households also ensures that they have more disposable income allowing them to spend more in their local communities, stimulating Tasmania's economy.

We will also provide access to grants for businesses and community organisations for energy efficiency assessments and upgrades. This will help them grow, stimulating our economy and job growth.

INITIATIVE COST

Initiative Investment (\$m)	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year
Free upgrades for homes	2	2	2	2
Business grants	1	1	1	1
Total	3	3	3	3