

Low Emission Zone
Support Fund

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TRAVEL BETTER FUND

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What is Travel Better?

Once you receive your grant from the Low Emission Zone Support Fund, you and another member of your household can apply for a further £500 towards Travel Better options. With your vehicle retired, you will need to consider how you travel going forward. Now is your chance to make green travel choices, saving money and enhancing your health.

What support is available?

Energy Saving Trust is offering up to **£500** for choosing eligible sustainable and active travel options. The fund is also open to one other adult within your household, allowing your household to claim up to £1,000. Each claim must be worth at least £80 and you may claim items or services on up to two occasions.

What travel options are covered?

Options covered include cycling, public transport and share schemes:

- New, recycled or second-hand bikes, cargo bikes, adaptive bikes and electric versions of these – options must be purchased from a bike shop.
- Bike repair, servicing and maintenance costs (up to £100 and claimed once only) must be repaired at a bike shop. Did you know that Cycling UK has a [Cycle Repair Scheme in Scotland?](#) If you have already claimed this, Travel Better can cover up to £100 towards bike repair.

- Cycling accessories and equipment (up to £150) – covers the following equipment:
 - 1x bike helmet
 - 1x high visibility jacket or vest
 - 1x bike lock
 - 1x front light
 - 1x rear light
- Multi-trip public transport tickets – season tickets, monthly tickets, flexi-tickets for bus or train travel.
- Membership and cycling credits for city bike hire schemes – must be purchased from a local bike hire scheme. Available schemes include Edinburgh's [Just Eat Cycles](#) and Glasgow's [Nextbike](#) – we expect further schemes to be available in the future.
- Membership and driving credits for car clubs – must be purchased from a local car club. Available car clubs include [Enterprise](#) and [Co-Wheels](#).

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You can claim for a combination of all eligible options and claim for any amount up to £500. For example, if you wish to use public transport and a shared bike scheme, you can apply for a city bike hire membership and a season ticket.

Proof of purchase must be provided to claim funds.

Who is eligible?



To be eligible, you must already have disposed of your vehicle through our Low Emission Zone Support Fund. In addition, you can refer one other adult in your household who will be eligible for up to £500.

Why Travel Better?

- In Scotland, 40% of transport emissions come from passenger car journeys, impacting air quality and public health.
- Switching to active travel options provides health benefits, including a 35% reduction in the risk of cardiovascular disease and 40% less risk of type 2 diabetes, while also reducing air pollution.
- Travelling by bus produces 42% less carbon emissions than travelling by car, while rail travel produces 73% less.

How do I apply?



You will be granted access to the Travel Better portal once you have submitted your certificate of destruction for the Low Emission Zone Support Fund.

You can access further details on both schemes at

energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/low-emission-zone-support-fund

Helping you travel sustainably



Energy Saving Trust works with a range of active and sustainable travel delivery partners in Scotland to help people get from  to  as green as possible.

Travelling by bike after years of driving can be daunting – here are some useful links to get you started:

Find out how to travel actively at Transport Scotland: transport.gov.scot/active-travel/

Cycling Scotland's [Essential Cycling Skills](#) course to help you safely cycle on the road

Sustrans' [M check for your bike in 11 steps](#), to help you know how to resolve any small maintenance issues that may arise

If you do not want to own your own bike, Edinburgh and Glasgow have excellent city bike-share schemes you can join:

Edinburgh's [Just Eat Cycles](#)

Glasgow's [Nextbike](#)

Our cities have great public transport, consider purchasing a season pass or multi-ticket for rail or bus travel.

Find your public transport providers and plan your journeys at Traveline Scotland - travelinescotland.com/

Car clubs are available in each city for those trips where public transport or active travel is not a convenient option:

[Co-wheels](#) – available in Aberdeen, Dundee and Glasgow

[Enterprise Car Club](#) – available in Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow

GET IN TOUCH TODAY

For free, impartial advice on making greener travel choices, call Home Energy Scotland on **0808 808 2282**. We're available Monday to Friday from 8am to 8pm and on Saturday from 9am to 5pm.

You can also find out more at

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HERE TO HELP

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For more information and to speak to an advisor:

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