Green Deal Case Study

Department of Energy & Climate Change

Business relationships director Sarah Adams has lived in her top floor, two-bedroom maisonette for three and a half years. Having heard about the Green Deal on her local news, Sarah was quick to book an assessment and find out what the scheme could do for her.

top floor 2-bedroom flat/loft insulation/new boiler/draught proofing/faster & easier to heat home



"All the work was completed on time and just when I needed it - as the temperature begins to drop and I'm starting to use my central heating more. The money I received through the government's cash back scheme was also an added bonus."

Sarah Adams, Homeower

The energy efficiency challenge

The flat was without central heating and poorly insulated meaning she really suffered with the cold in the winter. The first time she'd heard of the Green Deal was on the news, with her local council offering 100 Green Deal assessments for free on a first come first served basis. Jumping at the chance Sarah arranged an assessment and was recommended draught proofing, full loft insulation, cavity wall insulation and a new boiler and wet system.

The Green Deal solution

Following the assessment Sarah decided to go with all bar the cavity wall insulation, as she didn't own the whole building. Sarah got all her work done using a Green Deal finance plan, ECO and Government cash back*. With this blend she had only a small amount to pay upfront. The total cost for the work installed was £5,456 and Sarah had a Green Deal finance arrangement of £4,164, ECO of £838 and cash back of £350.

Energy efficiency improvement benefits

Sarah found the whole process quick and efficient and now finds it faster and easier to heat her home, as well as seeing a reduction in her bills.

Contact the Energy Saving Advice Service at **0300 123 1234** calls charged at national rates or visit **www.gov.uk/greendeal** to find out more about Green Deal Schemes

Green Deal finance provides an option for some people to pay for part of the cost of energy efficiency improvements over time through their electricity bill offsetting some of them against energy savings they may expect to make. Savings on energy bills may not cover the entire cost of the energy-efficiency improvements. This means that consumers may need to meet any shortfall themselves at the outset.

*The Government cash back scheme has now closed. Keep an eye on gov.uk/greendeal for information about Green Deal incentives.