

Net Zero: What It Means for Tenants

Scotland has set a national target to reach Net Zero by 2045. This means reducing the harmful emissions that contribute to climate change. As your landlord, the Association is planning long-term improvements to make our homes more energy efficient and use cleaner heating in the future.

What improvements will be made?

Over the coming years, you may see upgrades such as:

- Improved insulation
- Modern, energy efficient heating systems
- Smart heating controls
- Solar panels and battery storage (where suitable)
- Detailed property surveys to guide the right solutions

These measures help reduce heat loss and energy costs.

What are the benefits for you?

- ❖ Lower heating bills
- ❖ Less damp and condensation
- ❖ More comfortable homes
- ❖ Reduced carbon emissions
- ❖ Future-proofed housing that meets national standards

What is the timeline?

This is a long-term programme. Not every home will receive work at the same time.

We will:

- ❖ Plan upgrades by property type and condition
- ❖ Coordinate works with planned maintenance programme
- ❖ Apply for external funding to minimise cost impact
- ❖ Contact tenants well ahead of any work in their home

We are already collecting information and running small pilot projects to learn what works best.

Tenant Q&A

Why do we need to make these changes?

To meet legal requirements, reduce energy use and keep homes affordable to heat.

Will this cost me anything?

Net Zero improvements funded by the Association will not be charged to tenants. We will always be clear about who pays for what.

Will I have to move out during the work?

It will depend on the type of works being carried out. If temporary moves are ever needed for major works, we will provide support and clear communication.

How long will works take in my home?

It depends on the type of upgrade. We will give exact details once your property is scheduled.

Can I volunteer for improvements early?

Yes. If you are interested in taking part in future pilot projects, please let us know.

Want to know more?

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We will continue to involve tenants as plans develop, ensuring the Association's homes remain warm, healthy and affordable for the future.