

Rural Energy Additional Generation Grant Scheme

Guidance Notes



Aim.

This scheme is to provide financial assistance to businesses that have previously benefited from the Rural Energy Grant and have grown, or want to grow, but are restricted by the size of their energy systems or additional cost of running a diesel generator. The scheme is designed to support the purchase of an secondary renewable energy generation source, in addition to the 24-hour already in place.

Eligibility.

In order to qualify for assistance under this scheme the business must have previously benefited from the Rural Energy Grant Scheme. The business must have been continually operating since the award of the Rural Energy Grant unless there are extenuating circumstances. Accounts will need to be provided to prove a business is operating and is viable.

The scheme provides assistance with initial capital costs only and cannot be used to purchase spare parts, duplicate or replacement equipment.

For the purposes of eligibility under this scheme, 'Camp' will be defined as: businesses located more than 10km from Christ Church Cathedral, farm businesses within the 10km boundary (which are defined as farm businesses where farm activities are the primary activity, with a business turnover exceeding £10,000 or stock numbers exceeding 2000 Dry Sheep Equivalents as verified by the annual agricultural statistics collected by the Agricultural Department). It will exclude business located within the boundaries of Mount Pleasant Complex and Fox Bay village (the boundaries are defined as being connected to their electricity grid or within the reach of the grid network).

The business should remain in the property that is connected to the system, as their main business address, for a period of 5 years from the date of the award of the grant.

The business must demonstrate that the demand of electricity has increase or the business has expanded since the installation of the energy system part funded by the Rural Energy Grant, the consequence being that the business is more reliant on fossil fuel generated electricity, or demonstrate that the additional generation capacity to be installed will be beneficial to the business' further development.

All buildings that are to be connected to the system electrically must meet the current Electrical Regulations (17th edition) and a test certificate must be provided for records (assistance is available for domestic properties if required). Before any application is submitted the applicant must contact the Falkland Islands Government (FIG) Building Advisor to enquire if the work needs a building permit. If a building permit is not required applicants are advised to seek the advice of FIG's Building Advisor for best practices guidance to the proposed work.

A business who has previously benefited from power equipment supplied under the Rural Energy Additional Generation Grant Scheme is not eligible for a reapplication.



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Grant Assistance.

A grant of up to 50%, up to a maximum of £2,000, is available to cover the capital costs of a secondary renewable energy technology with a maximum electrical output of 2,000kWh per year (for example 2.5kW Solar PV array) and its installation.

Installation includes electrical works (including all skilled labour), the heavy-duty power cable to connect the renewable energy technology to the battery, transport to the site and the cost of cement for mounting foundations. It does not include aggregate or the cost of mixing concrete or preparing the ground.

All applicants must comply with manufacturer's operating instructions and best practices guides. It is recommended the full system is insured and maintained as specified by the supplier for the life of the equipment but it is a mandatory requirement for the first 5 years after installation.

All appropriate equipment must be approved by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (www.microgenerationcertification.org). Neither FIDC nor FIG is liable for any damage caused to a property by the installation of any equipment under this scheme.

Enquiries.

If you have any queries or require any more information about this grant scheme please contact the Development Manager.

Telephone: 27211

Email: development.manager@fidc.co.fk



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Application Form



1. Contact Details.

Applicant Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

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2. Please provide information on how your business's demand for electricity has increase or the business has expanded since the installation of the energy system part funded by the Rural Energy Grant or information on how the additional generation capacity to be installed will be beneficial to your business's further development. (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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3. Please provide a brief description of the work to be undertaken if this grant is awarded. (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

4. Please provide details (including price) of all material required and installation required to complete this project (please provide all relevant quotes).
(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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5. Checklist.

- Completed sections 1 – 4 of the application form.
- Attached any supporting quote(s), any separate sheets completed and any other relevant documents to the application.
- Submit a copy of the most recent business accounts.
- Signed and dated the declaration below.

6. Declaration.

I understand and agree to the terms of the Rural Energy Additional Generation Grant Scheme as set out under the guidance notes attached to the front of this application form. Furthermore, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information contained in this application form and in any accompanying documents is true, complete, and correct.

Name _____ Role within Business _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for completing the Rural Energy Additional Generation Grant Scheme application form. Please return your completed application form, along with any supporting document(s) and/or quote(s).

Email: development.manager@fidc.co.fk

Post: Falkland Islands Development Corporation, Shackleton House, West Hillside, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Once your application has been received and processed, we will duly contact you regarding the status of your application.