

## Community Energy Projects in a Box

# Heritage home energy efficiency audit



## Summary

This project in a box provides the guidance and resources for a community group to run a 'heritage home improvements' project, which could be delivered over the course of a few months. This would involve a community group targeting the historic homes within their local area, undertaking a 'knock-on-door' effort, chatting with householders and supplying them with 'training packs', then following up with householders after a month (and then after 3 months) to see how advice is being used.

## Box contents

Each box includes:

**Guidance:** an outline of the project, guidance for organisers for follow-ups with householders, a USB with relevant PlanLoCaL resources (focusing upon community engagement).

**Promotional materials:** posters and flyers to advertise the project, tips on how to raise awareness of activities.

**Household training pack:** household self-audit checklist, advice leaflets, Love Your Old Home workbook, a USB with Warmer Bath and other relevant documents.

**Evaluation support:** feedback forms for households, a guide to measuring impact, access to an online survey (to qualify to receive a box, groups would have to commit to carry out an evaluation of their project and liaise with CSE on their findings).



## Outcomes and impacts

The resources will help you to understand what is involved in a building assessment, provide you with templates to help identify energy saving improvements, and give you the tools to carry out effective monitoring and evaluation of the building.

You will work with a specific building (or more than one building), and produce an audit for that building (including a set of recommendations).

By following the project through and instigating behavioural changes in energy use within the home, or installing sensitive low carbon improvements to the fabric of the building, you will reduce carbon emissions and building running costs. Monitoring equipment and guidance provided in the box can be used to assess the reduction in energy use.