



HOW TO USE THE ENERGY TOOLKIT

This Energy Toolkit contains advice on tracking your energy use and on making immediate savings through energy efficient behaviour.

The 'Tips for an Efficient Clubhouse' sheet provides suggestions for immediate savings through simple no-cost and low- and medium-cost actions in your clubhouse.

The Energy Toolkit also includes information on a range of medium- to long-term energy-saving and

clean energy projects, from clubhouse insulation through heat pumps to solar PV generation and LED floodlight upgrades.

The Energy Toolkit is designed for clubs who are interested in learning about energy savings opportunities or are at the early stages of planning energy actions. Clubs who have already carried out an energy audit and who have identified priority energy projects should contact a qualified independent professional for advice.

The Green Club Energy Toolkit contains the following guidance sheets and resources:

ASSESS	Understanding Your Club's Energy Use.
IDENTIFY	Tips for an Energy Efficient Clubhouse.
	Introduction to SEAI Community Energy Programmes (26-counties).
	LED Floodlighting Upgrade FAQs & Checklist.
	Solar PV Infosheet & Checklist.
	Heat Pumps for GAA Clubs.
ACT	Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Points in your Club.
	An Energy Action Plan.
COMMUNICATE	Resources to promote awareness of your energy actions in your club.

The Toolkit contains practical case studies from clubs and grounds across Ireland, including:

- **CLAN NA GAEL, CO LOUTH**, who upgraded their floodlights to LED and carried out energy improvement works on their clubhouse.
- **DR CROKES GAA, CO. KERRY**, who invested in a full heating upgrade of their clubhouse, including the installation of an air-to-water heat pump system, supported by new solar PV panels.
- **ST JOSEPH'S GAC, CO DERRY**, who over the last ten years have engaged in a range of energy projects, including a building upgrade and on-site generation.
- **CONNACHT GAA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE**, where energy efficiency is at the heart of all operations and where projects include energy monitoring, sustainable energy management and solar PV electricity generation

All Green Club case studies are also available at: <https://learning.gaa.ie/greenclub/casestudies>

TOP TIPS

Clubs in the 26-counties interested in energy awareness and action in their club and community can join a Sustainable Energy Community. See the 'SEAI Community Energy Programmes' info sheet for details.

Clubs in the six counties should consult <https://powerni.co.uk/business-electricity/energy-saving-products> and the NI Sustainable Energy Programme (<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/programme/nisep/>) and keep up-to-date with any relevant funding opportunities communicated to their club secretary by Ulster GAA.