UTILITY REDUCTIONS AND FUNDS



Utility reductions and discounts to be aware of. All subject to eligibility and availability.



BROADBAND REDUCTION

Contact your broadband provider and ask for information on broadband reduction if you receive benefit/s such as Universal Credit.

You will have to apply with the provider directly. You may be asked to provide evidence of the benefit you are in receipt of, your name and address.

Each broadband provider may have different eligibility criteria

British Gas Energy Trust

The British Gas Energy Trust currently operates two energy (electricity and gas) debt write-off funds, which are open for applications; these are the Individuals and Families Fund and the British Gas Energy Support Fund. It does not matter if you are on a pre-payment meter or a credit customer.

https://bget.org.uk/login.php

BIG DIFFERENCE SCHEME

If your household income is low, you may be entitled to a reduction in your water bills. If eligible for the scheme, you could **receive up to 90% off** the average Severn Trent **water bill**.

To apply for the Big Difference Scheme you will need to:

Provide details of who lives with you at the property, your water account number

Household **income** and any savings, **proof** of all household income.

Visit Big Difference Scheme to apply: https://bigdiff.co.uk/login.php

COLD WEATHER PAYMENT

A Cold Weather Payment might be available to you, if you're getting certain benefits. These payments are made if the temperature in your area is forecasted or recorded to be **OC or below for over 7 days in a row**. If that's the case, you could be eligible for £25 credit for each 7-day period (between 1 November and 31 March).

You might be **eligible** for Cold Weather Payments if you're getting:

Pension Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance,
Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Universal Credit,
Support for Mortgage Interest

Contact your energy supplier for further information and how to apply

Do not suffer in silence, we are here to help.

If you would like help with filling in the applications, please contact us to arrange an appointment with the NEST Team. Contact us at:

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