

Reducing your energy bills

The Association is keen to ensure tenants receive good value for money from their energy suppliers. Many tenants are unaware that they can “shop around” for the best deals for electricity, gas and oil. Just because you’ve been a longstanding customer doesn’t mean you are on the best possible tariff.

General needs tenants can change their electricity or gas supplier to get the best deal possible. They need not request permission from the Association to switch electricity or gas suppliers.

Shop around

Electricity: Until recently, Northern Ireland had only one supplier of electricity. “NIE Energy” is now joined in the market by “Airtricity”. Changing between suppliers is very easy, it can be done over the phone in a few minutes and it could save you money! The Association does not promote or endorse any one supplier, we simply encourage you, the customer to contact the suppliers, compare their prices and get the best possible deal. Please follow these links to find out more: NIE Energy www.nieenergy.co.uk and Airtricity www.airtricity.com

Gas: With regard to natural gas suppliers, there are also two suppliers, “Phoenix Natural Gas” www.phoenixgroupni.com, “Firmus Energy” www.firmusenergy.co.uk. Firmus currently operate in areas where Phoenix were previously the sole supplier, check their website for availability and prices in your area.

Oil: When buying home heating oil, please remember to shop around. In Northern Ireland there are over 200 suppliers. There are various oil price comparison websites available on the internet. These can assist you in identifying the cheapest supplier. Don’t use the same supplier every time you get a fill of oil, phone around for the best price. Examples of such websites that allow you to compare prices quickly include www.cheapestoil.co.uk and www.oilpricecheck.co.uk.

Please remember that the Association is not affiliated to any supplier, it does not promote or endorse any one supplier, instead we encourage you to contact the suppliers, check their prices and get the best deal possible.