

# Thermal Imaging Camera Hire Service Launching Monday 6 November

As part of our commitment to help reduce carbon emissions in our area and help people improve the energy efficiencies of their homes, we have four thermal imaging cameras available for use by town and parish councils, or local communities on a free to borrow basis.

**Applications to hire one can be made by Town and Parish Councils or organised community groups only.**

Cameras are available to borrow for up to two weeks. It's expected that applicants will use the cameras with local residents to survey several homes within the hire period.



## Why use one?

### Carbon emissions and climate change implications:

Thermal images will show up where homes would benefit from improved insulation and draught proofing.

Homes account for 22% of the UK's carbon emissions. There needs to be an urgent application of energy efficiency improvements if we are going to hit the carbon reduction targets necessary to stop runaway climate breakdown.

Our aim is that using the thermal imaging cameras will help stimulate action for homeowners to improve their energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions.

### Reducing heat loss and energy consumption:

Once you have identified areas of heat loss within your property, there are several ways that could help you reduce energy consumption and heat loss.

These include:

- Improving the insulation of the property, particularly roof or wall insulation
- Reducing air leakage, for example around doors, windows, or letterboxes

### What should you do with the results?

We recommend that where the camera identifies issues, a professional retrofit advisor is contacted to ensure the correct work is suggested to remedy problems in your home.

The first point of contact should be [Energy Saving Devon](#).

This service is operated by Devon County Council and supported by Devon councils. Their community retrofit advice services is the one stop shop for all things retrofit in Devon. From here you can:

- Create a free home upgrade plan
- Get advice through an advice line
- Apply for home energy grants
- Find reputable installers