

Payback period:

Payback periods are based upon data provided by Good Practice Guides and Carbon Trust energy survey reports and are average figures calculated using a simple payback method. It is assumed that the source data is correct and accurate, using up to date information.

They should be considered indicative. The figures have been calculated as an average across a range of buildings and may therefore differ from the actual payback period for the building being assessed. It is recommended that the cost effectiveness and payback of each suggested measure be further investigated before making any decision on how to improve the energy efficiency of your building.

Carbon Impact:

Each measure is assigned a low, medium or high potential impact on the energy efficiency of your building. This relates to their potential to reduce carbon dioxide emissions arising from energy used in your building. For automatically generated recommendations, the carbon impact is determined by the approved software but may be adjusted by your assessor based upon their knowledge of the building. The impact of 'other recommendations' is determined by the assessor.

Comparative assessment - Feed-in Tariff

Eligibility for standard tariff for solar PV under the DECC Feed-in Tariff initiative is contingent on a minimum energy efficiency requirement being met. This requires a building to have an EPC band of D or better. Further information can be found at: www.decc.gov.uk/fits This requirement is based upon the means of determining EPC band which is used in England & Wales.

If calculated using this process, but using Scottish climate data, your building would currently have an EPC band of C (and a rating of 74).

Requirements under section 63 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act

From 1 September 2016, regulations require the assessment and improvement of existing non-domestic buildings with an area of more than 1,000 m². See www.gov.scot/section63 for information.

As this building does not exceed 1,000 m² in area, it is not currently subject to these regulations.