



Air Source Heat Pumps

Reduce heating costs *and*
support the environment



What is an Air Source Heat Pump?

Heat pumps offer an environmentally friendly alternative to the fossil fuel-powered heating systems that many households in the UK currently rely on for warmth.

Operating on electricity, heat pumps are 3-4 times more efficient than various other heating methods, including storage heaters, radiators, and boilers. This efficiency means that heat pumps consume 3-4 times less energy to provide the same level of comfort in your home. It is extremely likely you'll see a reduction in running costs when transitioning to a heat pump. This of course will depend on your current heating system and the available electricity tariffs.

Heat pumps are recognised as a vital part of the solution for tackling climate change. With government emissions targets in place, they are poised to replace gas and oil boilers in millions of UK homes as the country transitions to renewable energy for heating.



**Beth Willimott,
Saffron Tenant**



I'm very pleased and happy with my new Air Source heating. I am finding that it heats my house up a lot better than my previous oil heating system.

The fan unit outside is a lot smaller than the oil tank was so looks a lot nicer in my garden and I am also glad that I'm not having to pay £500 in one go to fill up an oil tank anymore.



Sarah South, Saffron Tenant



We're thrilled with our new air source heating. We leave it on 20 degrees all the time and if it seems extra chilly we just put it to about 21. It works well for us and we're pleased we had it done. Electric has gone up about £10 a week but that's better than the £150 a month we used to have to find for oil. Thanks again.



Decarbonisation Scheme Facts

About the scheme

Last year, Saffron completed Wave 1 of the Social Housing Decarbonisation scheme, which saw 126 Saffron homes fitted with energy-saving upgrades. The aim of the government-led scheme was to improve the energy performance of some of the least efficient houses under Saffron management. We fitted Air Source Heat Pumps in homes that have an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating of D or below. On some properties with the lowest EPC ratings, we also fitted new windows, doors, ventilation and insulation. Now in Wave 2 of the scheme, more houses have been fitted with the Air Source Heat Pumps. Many tenants who took part are reporting positive experiences, including a reduction in bills, and warmer homes.

How do we select homes which qualify?

Homes that qualify for the scheme will have an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating of D or below. We will be targeting the least energy efficient homes first. If your home was not selected for Wave 2, this means that other homes were considered to have a lower energy performance rating than yours. This put them in a higher priority category.

Our Future

Saffron is actively looking for more funding to continue the scheme in the future. As before, we will be targeting the properties with the lowest energy performances first.



Testimonials



Nigel Thompson
Saffron Tenant



“The pump was set up for me, so I didn’t have to worry”

“I’m no longer worried about the price of oil”

“Go for it, especially if you currently use storage heaters”

“The pump is so quiet, I never hear it”

“It took 3 days to install with very little disruption, by friendly, considerate staff”

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David Ward
Saffron Tenant



“Excellent system. It’s cut my heating bills in half ”

“Efficient, easy to use heat pump”

“I thoroughly recommend to everyone”

“The pump is so quiet, I never hear it”

“Quiet and so easy to use. A very good system, even in my old house, that controls itself”



For more information about our Decarbonisation Scheme, please visit:

www.saffronhousing.co.uk/advice-and-support/energy-efficiency/

For more information about heat pumps, head over to:

www.getaheatpump.org.uk

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