

**Funding Opportunities for renewable energy and energy efficiency which are applicable across Shropshire for public/private sector to apply to (specific criteria may apply to each fund):**

**1. [British Airways Carbon Fund Pipeline](#) for 2020 is now open.**

Pure Leapfrog are pleased to announce that applications for 2020 from the British Airways Carbon Fund are now open. This fund is open to community groups, sports groups, schools and other relevant community organisations interested in receiving funding for a carbon reduction project on a community building should register their interest using the application form. Successful applicants will be invited to make a full funding application. This funding round closes on **Friday 6th December at 5pm**. Before completing the form, we strongly advise you to carefully read the funding criteria to ensure that the funding is applicable to your project. You can access the criteria here: <https://www.pureleapfrog.org/bacf-criteria/>

**2. [Business Growth Programme 2](#) :** Grant support for individuals and businesses looking to start, grow and expand in the Marches LEP area.

**3. [BEEP \(Business Energy Efficiency Programme\)](#):** Lowering your energy bills can make a big difference to your business bottom line, so if you are looking to cut costs, we can help.

**4. [CREST](#):** based at University Centre Shrewsbury provides research and innovation support to small and medium enterprises across Shropshire it can also help them access grants to assist prototyping, etc.

**5. [Community Energy – Shareenergy](#):**

A scheme whereby communities raise their own capital via shares for renewable energy projects and shareholders pay themselves a rate of interest based on the dividends.

**6. [Low Carbon Opportunities Programme \(LoCoP\)](#):** If your business is looking to implement a large-scale renewable energy project or has the potential for high-tech green growth, support may be available to help your business grow.

**7. [MarRE](#):** Building attached renewable energy <200kW maximum allowed capacity. The Marches Renewable Energy (MarRE) project is accepting formal expressions of interest. It can provide grants to support renewable energy installations (not including commercial activities like solar farms) of between 4 -200 kWp. MarRE is a grant scheme part-funded by the European Regional Development Fund. The project will run for two and half years from 1 July 2019 to 31 December 2021.

**8. [Marches Energy Agency](#):** A charity that provides support and advice on fuel poverty, domestic energy use and accessing grants or benefits, assistance and advice for businesses and home owners.

**9. [Marches LEP Energy Strategy](#)** Energy Strategy for the Marches Local Enterprise Partnership.

**10. [Marches Growth Hub](#):** Your Gateway to Business Support: The Growth Hub is the portal for businesses to use to access help and support, including information on grants.

**11. [OLEV Grants – home charging points for Electric Vehicles](#)**

a. <https://pod-point.com/guides/driver/olev-grant>

b. <https://www.carwow.co.uk/scrappage-scheme>

**12. [Rural Community Energy Fund](#)** A revised £10million programme, to support rural communities in England to develop renewable energy projects, has now been announced. Please visit this website for further details.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rural-community-energy-fund>

**13. [SALIX](#)** (zero interest finance for low carbon projects): <https://www.salixfinance.co.uk/>

**14. [Sustainability West Midlands](#):** A central hub and resource for the West Midlands

<https://www.sustainabilitywestmidlands.org.uk/news/business-growth-programme-2-funding-opportunity/>

For further information <https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/climate-change-and-sustainability>

Also, <https://www.carbontrust.com/home/> for all businesses and public sector

<https://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/> for homes and domestic energy.