

# Press Release

LincolnshireEnergy  
**switch**  
For Businesses & For Residents



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The Lincolnshire Energy Switch scheme is back – so now you could also stand a chance of saving up to £300 on your annual gas and electricity bill.

That's how much some already stand to save having made the switch first time round. You could join the 1,000 households in Lincolnshire who look set to save an average of £167 on their energy bill.

If you missed out the first time, this is another opportunity to save money on home energy bills through the latest collective Lincolnshire Energy Switch Scheme (LESS)

The scheme is easy to join. Before you register, find your energy bill as you will need your current tariff and energy consumption details. Then visit [www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/switch](http://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/switch) and register your details. Alternatively you can call on 01529 301990 between 9am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays).

There is no obligation to switch so there is nothing to lose by registering. Where residents don't see a saving in their individual offer it means that they are likely to be on a competitive rate already.

Why not also let your family and friends know so they can save money too? Up to five households can register on the same email address so it's a great opportunity to help out family and friends who don't have internet access.

Everyone who pays for gas or electricity can register – and potentially save money. Whether you rent your home or own it, whether you are on dual fuel, electric only or have a prepayment meter – everyone is encouraged to register. And you don't even have to live in Lincolnshire as it will be open to anyone in the country, so friends and family can also register, wherever they live, by visiting the same website.

Once the Monday, June 9, registration deadline has passed energy companies are invited to bid for your combined business.

The lowest tariff will then be offered to residents in a personalised email or letter. Residents will have four weeks to confirm they wish to switch supplier by following the instructions in the offer email or returning a signed form by post.

As collective switching schemes become better known they are attracting a mix of the 'Big Six' and smaller independent suppliers to make their bids.

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Cllr Richard Wright, Executive Board Member for Energy Efficiency, said: “We are encouraging as many people as possible to register with the Lincolnshire Energy Switch Scheme to secure the best possible gas and electricity rates for a community switch here in Lincolnshire. The first scheme was successful with 1,000 households switching to better energy deals.

“We are always keen to look at new ways to help our residents and local businesses reduce their monthly outgoings and this is the start of a process that could help families and individuals suffering fuel poverty. The scheme is open to anyone, so everyone who registers can benefit. Remember registration for residents closes on Monday, June 9, so register to switch as soon as possible.”

A similar switching scheme for small and medium businesses (SMEs) is also available in partnership with Making it Cheaper, using the same website link.

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