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## Saint Helena greening the grid

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## Does St Helena have double-glazing?

You can see the 2017 figures (right). St Helena households and businesses have also adopted a wide range of energy saving measures, driven perhaps by the very high cost of electricity on the island (in 2014 it was up to £0.42p per KwH, depending on consumption). Double-glazing is, however, uncommonon St Helena - it is rarely cold.

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This document sets out a plan for phased delivery of improvements in the energy sector on St Helena, particularly to support plans for energy transition on St Helena. The Energy Delivery Plan recognises that globally countries are making every effort to reduce

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renewables by the year 2027/28, sooner if possible.

To become 100% self-sufficient on the national grid, through renewable energy by 1st April 2022 (SHG Energy Strategy, 2016). Ensure energy and water use per capita is maintained at baseline levels or better.

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Wind-Diesel Hybrid System St. Helena. The St. Helena project started in 1998, when three Lagerwey 18/80 turbines were installed on the island. In 2009, Wind Energy Solutions (WES) increased the number of turbines to a total of six by adding three WES80 80 kW wind turbines.

To become completely energy independent however, St. Helena's electrical grid must be substantially overhauled to be able to support new renewable generators and storage elements, together with demand-side management of large industrial loads and intelligent residential usage.

St Helena's strategy for 100% renewable energy will make the Island a leader among UK Overseas Territories. Using a combination of solar, wind and storage, St Helena intends to reduce its reliance on fossil fuels, high import costs and volatile market prices.

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