LoCASE (Low Carbon Across the South East)

**What is LoCASE?**

LoCASE is supported by the European Regional Development Fund and was initiated with the aim of helping businesses become more competitive and profitable, while protecting the environment and encouraging low carbon Solutions. To do this, LoCASE provides grants for businesses of up to **£20,000** as well as training workshops and fully funded events. Targeted business support is on offer for companies who offer “green” or low carbon goods and services. The scheme has been approved to be extended until Spring 2023 meaning you can access vital, sustainable funding during these challenging times.

**What services will you receive?**

* Grant funding up to a maximum of **£20,000** can be awarded to your organisation to improve your business performance and profitability. The grant will form up to 40% of the cost of your eligible project, with the remainder matched by your business.
* Any business can use this money toward having energy efficiency measures installed for their business. The grant can contribute to both the cost of materials or equipment and any installation. Projects which save on fuel/mileage are also acceptable.
* If your business offers low carbon (or “green”) goods or services, a business development grant is also available to you. You can claim against costs such as marketing, consultancy, equipment, IT software, product/process development, accreditation, and certification.

**What is the eligibility criteria?**

* + - You must be a small or medium enterprise (SME). This includes:
* Employing **250** (FTE) employees or less
* Having an annual turnover of **£44M** or less and an annual balance sheet of **£38M** or less
* If another firm owns more than a quarter of your company, they must meet the above criteria
	+ - Your organisation must not have received more than approximately £180,000 of state aid in the last three years
		- Your organisation must be registered and operating in the counties of Kent, Essex, or East Sussex.

**How do I register for the grant?**

* If you would like to register your interest to receive a grant, please follow this link and complete the questionnaire, this will confirm your eligibility to receive funding.

[https://www.locase.co.uk/register-here](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.locase.co.uk%2Fregister-here&data=04%7C01%7C%7C96e4914f13a64cefe3ec08d8bb22d1c9%7Ca8b4324f155c4215a0f17ed8cc9a992f%7C0%7C0%7C637465105510522803%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=z3zPbFGS7pd42b9BAnr1z5vTZM%2F2YieCucR1DpH39Co%3D&reserved=0)