



POLICY PATHWAYS TO JUSTICE IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- Have you had, or tried to get, help with improving your home's energy efficiency?
- Does someone in your household have a disability or a long-term illness, or do you live with someone under the age of 16?

If you answered **YES** to both of the questions then we would like to talk to you about your experience.

What is the purpose of the study?

This study aims to understand the challenges of creating effective and fair energy efficiency schemes across the UK. To do this, the study will examine the energy efficiency policies of the four nations of the UK, asking whether they meet the needs and expectations of disabled people and families with children.

Do I have to take part?

It is up to you to decide whether or not you want to take part in this study. Your decision will not affect any service you receive. Please take your time to decide. If you do decide to take part you will be asked to sign a consent form and will receive **£20 as a gesture of goodwill for taking the time to be involved.**

What will the research involve?

If you agree to take part you will be contacted by one of the research team. They will to arrange a convenient time to come and talk to you, or speak to you on the telephone, whichever you would prefer. We would like to discuss your views and experiences of your local energy efficiency scheme. The interview will last for up to an hour and, if you agree, it will be recorded. If you would like someone else to be present during the interview then please feel free to invite them along.

Will the information I give stay confidential?

Everything you say is confidential. The information you give may be used for a research report, but it will not be possible to identify you from this report or from any other documents. Personal information (e.g. name and contact details) will be kept for up to 3 months after the



project ends in June 2018 and then destroyed. The anonymised research data (e.g. interview transcripts) will be securely stored for ten years at the University of York and may be used for further research purposes.

Further, as the UK Energy Research Centre is a publicly funded body, it has developed ways to share data among researchers (subject to strict conditions). To this end, we hope you will also allow your anonymised transcript to be stored in the UK Data Archive. I would like to stress that you are under no obligation to do so.

What will happen to the results of the research study?

The findings of this study will be reported to the research funders and shared with government policymakers, public sector agencies and charitable and voluntary organisations. The results will also be shared through academic and professional conferences and publications. If you wish to receive a summary of the research findings please tell a member of the project team.

Who is organising and funding the research?

This research has been funded by the UK Energy Research Centre (www.ukerc.ac.uk/), and is being carried out by the University of York.

What happens next?

If you decide to take part or if you have any questions, concerns or complaints about this study, please contact one of the research team using the details below:

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