

Smart Green Apartments

Get free expert guidance to reduce energy and water use

Smart Green Apartments is the City of Sydney's award-winning residential sustainability program. We help owners corporations understand and improve the efficiency of their buildings, reduce utility costs, and create more resilient strata communities.

Increasingly complex centralised equipment and services, coupled with rising energy and water costs, means good asset management is important for strata communities.

Since 2016 we've worked with 279 strata plans and on average, we identify a 36% reduction in energy use.

Water and energy efficiency upgrades have helped apartment owners save \$11.2 million in lifetime savings.

Get your building in better shape, join our program this year!



“ All of the Smart Green Apartments tools helped me reduce energy use without impacting the comfort of the people who live here. **We reduced common area energy use by 34% in 6 months.**”

Darson Fan

Building manager,
Windsor on Kent

If selected, your apartment building will receive:

- NABERS rating for common areas (energy and water)
- energy action plan with costed, recommended improvements
- presentation and Q&A on NABERS rating and energy action plan
- solar / electrification feasibility studies, if suitable
- tailored advice to reduce waste and improve recycling
- water saving opportunities (through Sydney Water's WaterFix program)
- access to webinars, resources, and opportunities to connect with people in other buildings through our sustainable apartments network.

Selection considerations:

- your apartment building must be in the City of Sydney local area
- your owners corporation (or equivalent) must demonstrate a high level of commitment and capacity for improving your building's environmental performance, including your NABERS energy and water ratings and waste management
- your apartment building must have a minimum of 70 residential apartments
- strata-titled and company-titled buildings are eligible to apply, including those that are part of a building management committee/community association/precinct association or other tiered management structure.



How to apply

The application process has three stages:

- 1** Complete the online application form by 5pm 25 October and attach supporting documents, see below.
- 2** We will arrange a phone call with eligible buildings to discuss your application in further detail with our technical assessor.
- 3** Once assessed, we will notify you of the outcome.
[cityofsydney/smart-green-apartments](https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/cityofsydney/smart-green-apartments)

Tip: scan the whole application before you start so you know what information you need to gather.

Supporting documents required

- a minuted strata committee resolution, committing to undertake low cost and no cost improvements, and consider recommendations to change common property at a general meeting (a sample motion is available to help you with this process)
- copy of the registered strata plan drawing
- copies of most recent electricity, gas and water bills for all accounts paid by the owners corporation

Contact us

For help with your application please contact:

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