



Thanks to funding from the National Lottery, ACTION with Communities in Cumbria (ACT) is offering a bursary to community buildings for up to 90% of the cost of a professional Building Condition Survey and / or Energy Audit.

- A Building Condition Survey assesses the fabric and function of your building, with recommendations for improvements.
- An Energy Audit does the same for the building's energy use.

There are various types of building survey and most halls benefit from a combined Building Condition Survey and Energy Audit, helping the committee to make informed decisions about maintenance and improvements, and providing evidence of this to grant funders and others.

Applicants for the bursary are expected to have completed a ['DIY' self-assessment energy survey](#) using the template for Community Buildings from the Centre for Sustainable Energy. We also need you to commit to using the survey results to improve what your Community Building has to offer.

ACT's preferred provider for community buildings surveys is Alasdair Muir of [A Muir Surveying](#). Alasdair can offer a combined Building Condition Survey and Energy Audit. If you have your own surveyor, please share their details with us when you apply.

The Centre for Sustainable Energy also has useful guidance on [Energy Efficiency Improvements for Community Buildings](#).

ACT recommends all community buildings have an up-to-date Building Condition Survey. Committees should complete a 'DIY' energy survey, before commissioning a professional Energy Audit. This is part of helping community buildings to be sustainable and provide a comfortable and affordable space for the benefit of their local residents.

To apply:

- Complete this simple online [Application form](#)
- Email your charity's latest annual accounts and your completed 'DIY' self-assessment energy survey to us at info@cumbriaaction.org.uk

If you have any queries, please get in touch at the email above or Tel: 01768 425 666

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