## **Your Go Electric Plan**

By going all-electric, your household could save up to 75%\* per year on bills.

This plan prepares you to make the switch. First steps?

- Record the age of your gas appliances and any petrol/diesel cars (check receipts or the appliance nameplate).
- 2 Choose your future electric appliances and/or vehicle. Prioritise and budget for installation.
- Install your new efficient electric appliances and take steps towards an all-electric home!

Here's what to consider when planning:

- Prioritise replacing appliances that are more than 10 years old.
- Replace gas heating, cooktop and oven to improve indoor air quality.
- Install Solar PV to further reduce your energy costs.
- Improve the insulation and seal gaps in your home to reduce heating and cooling bills.

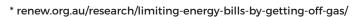
**Key:** Good, Better, Best: Ranking of solution based on quality, efficiency and impact on the environment. \$-\$\$: Upfront cost price range, indicating low, medium and higher priced options in the category.

Appliance	Age of appliance (years)	Go electric with	When could I replace (year)?
Gas heating		<ul> <li>□ Split system reverse cycle air conditioning (Best, \$-\$\$)</li> <li>□ Ducted Reverse Cycle air conditioning (Better, \$\$\$)</li> <li>□ Heat pump hydronic heating (Best, \$\$\$+)</li> <li>□ Electric heater (Good, \$)</li> </ul>	
Gas hot water		<ul> <li>□ Electric hot water heat pump (Best, \$-\$\$\$)</li> <li>□ Electric boosted solar hot water (Better, \$-\$\$\$+)</li> <li>□ Electric storage (with solar and timer) (Good \$)</li> </ul>	
Gas cooktop or gas oven		<ul><li>☐ Induction cooktop (Best, \$-\$\$\$)</li><li>☐ Electric cooktop (Better, \$-\$\$)</li><li>☐ Electric oven (Better, \$-\$\$\$)</li></ul>	
Petrol or diesel car		<ul><li>□ Electric bike (\$-\$\$\$)</li><li>□ Electric vehicle (\$\$-\$\$\$+)</li><li>□ Walking or riding (\$)</li><li>□ Taking public transport (\$)</li></ul>	
Gas swimming pool or spa heating		☐ Electric heat pump (Best, \$-\$\$\$) ☐ Solar (Better, \$-\$\$\$)	



## Where can I find more information?

- manningham.vic.gov.au/electrify-your-life
- solarsavers.org.au/register-manningham





## Key appliances for an all-electric home

		in electric floride		Discounts
Appliance	Description	Benefits	Tips and resources	and support
Solar panels, Battery storage, Green Power	<ul> <li>Solar panels convert sunlight into free electricity for use in your home</li> <li>Any excess electricity goes back into the grid or is used to charge a battery.</li> <li>GreenPower is 100% renewable electricity that you can buy to support a cleaner electricity grid.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Powers your home with renewable energy</li> <li>Solar can make your electric appliances free to run</li> <li>Solar usually pays for itself in 3-5 years</li> <li>Anyone can support more renewable energy in Australia by choosing GreenPower.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Run your electric appliances during the day to maximise savings</li> <li>Check your electricity plan to make sure you're getting the best deal</li> <li>Use Greenpeace's Green Electricity Guide to help you choose a GreenPower provider.</li> </ul>	Manningham's <u>Solar</u> <u>Savers</u> program. <u>Solar Victoria</u> offers solar rebates and no-interest loans for solar and batteries. <u>Federal government discount</u> (STCs) applies for solar and batteries.
Electric heating and cooling	<ul> <li>Can be a single unit, many units or whole of house (ducted)</li> <li>Single units are the cheapest to run.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heats your home in winter and cools it in summer</li> <li>In winter, reverse cycle air conditioning is 3-4 times more efficient than a standard electric heater or a gas heater.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Clean filters regularly</li> <li>In winter, set temperature to 18-20°C</li> <li>In summer, set temperature to 23-25°C</li> <li>Choose a better refrigerant such as R32.</li> </ul>	Manningham's <u>Solar</u> <u>Savers</u> program. Victorian Government <u>Energy Upgrade program</u> offers discounts for heating and cooling.
Electric hot water heat pump	Heat is extracted from the air and transferred into the water storage tank.	3-5 times more efficient than an electric or gas hot water heater.	<ul> <li>Choose a heat pump with a natural refrigerant such as R290 or R744</li> <li>Look for systems with control options (such a timer so you can use your solar energy)</li> <li>If your water heater dies, ask for a temporary system.</li> </ul>	Manningham's <u>Solar</u> <u>Savers</u> program.  Victorian Government <u>Energy Upgrade program</u> offers discounts for hot water systems. <u>Federal government</u> <u>discount</u> (STCs) applies for hot water.
Electric induction cooktop	<ul> <li>An electric cooktop that uses electromagnetism to heat cookware</li> <li>A magnet will stick to compatible cookware (e.g. cast iron and stainless steel).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improved air quality</li> <li>Safe</li> <li>Fast and efficient</li> <li>Greater temperature range</li> <li>Easy to clean</li> <li>Cooler kitchen.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check with an electrician to see if you need switchboard upgrades</li> <li>Choose electric cooktop alternatives if you have a pacemaker</li> <li>Portable induction cooktops are cheap and can plug into any wall socket</li> <li>Learn more at Choice or Renew.</li> </ul>	Victorian Government  Energy Upgrade program offers discounts for induction cooktops.  Borrow a portable induction cooktop from Manningham libraries to try it out.
Electric car or bicycle	<ul> <li>Electric cars run on electricity rather than petrol or diesel</li> <li>Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles run on both electricity and petrol.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Electric cars are cheap to run and need minimal maintenance</li> <li>Can be charged on clean renewable energy</li> <li>Non-polluting and quiet to drive and ride</li> <li>Electric and cargo bikes are a great alternative.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consider an electric bike before investing in a car</li> <li>Use the <u>Electric Vehicle</u> <u>Council Lifecycle</u> <u>Emissions Calculator</u></li> <li>Find public charging stations on <u>PlugShare</u></li> <li>Read Choice's <u>Electric</u> <u>Vehicle Guide</u></li> </ul>	No rebates available.