

Diocese
of Blackburn



COOKER GRANTS

The Property Committee will consider an application for a grant of up to £400 for a replacement cooker, provided the existing cooker is at least 5 years old or if when moving into a Diocesan property or Parsonage House there is no cooker already provided.

Applications will be dealt with at Committee in the normal way, (subject to existing arrangements for Chairman's action in cases of urgency). The meeting will be informed by the Diocesan Surveyor and/or Property Manager who may also take advice from our gas service engineers or other advisers.

A grant will not be provided where, in the opinion of the Diocesan Surveyor and/or Property Manager and their advisers, the existing cooker has been mistreated or badly maintained by those applying for the grant.

If the Diocese supplies the cooker then it will also deal with subsequent repairs to the appliance provided that the cooker has been kept in clean and good condition.

The cooker is to be free standing unless a built-in cooker is already provided.

Kitchen worktops and cupboards are not to be altered/removed/replaced to allow for the fitting of larger or specialist cookers such as Agas or range cookers. A cooker must be selected that will fit into the existing opening.

Cookers are to be connected to existing fuel points. The Property Committee will not consider changes from electric to gas or vice versa, except where dual fuel points are provided or where a nearby supply point can be easily extended. The cost of such an alteration, which must be carried out by Diocesan technicians, will be deducted from the £400 grant.

The cooker should remain in the property and be in clean working order when the occupant leaves.

For more information please contact the Property Department at Church House
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