

# Leckhampton Heating Policy

*As found in the 2014-2015 Leckhampton leases*

1. A Graduate Utilities Charge of £11.41 per week is to be paid by the Tenant for each individual room or flat offered as College accommodation. Where a room or flat is shared by two or more student members of the College, the Graduate Utilities Charge will be split by the number of such students sharing the room or flat and the amount to be paid by the Tenant is to be reduced accordingly.
2. The Graduate Utilities Charge is only applicable for the period when background heating is made available by the Landlord to the Tenant ('the background heating period'). The 2014/15 background heating period commences on 24 September 2014 and ends on 8 April 2015. During the background heating period, background heating is to be provided by the Landlord seven days a week for the hours of 6.30 am to 9.30 am, and 5.00 pm to 11.00 pm. This period cannot be extended except for in accordance with sub-clauses 3-5. Extensions cannot be made under sub-clause 3 beyond 1 June 2013 without the consent of the Tutor for Advanced Students.
3. The background heating period can be extended in three ways:
  - (i) A decision may be made at an MCR Open Meeting, held in accordance with the provisions laid down in the MCR Constitution, to extend the background heating period for one or more weeks. The decision can relate to the entire Leckhampton site, or particular buildings on the site. Where a decision has reached to extend heating, the MCR Lodgings Officer is to communicate the decision to the College Accommodation Officer, and the background heating period is to be extended accordingly. Decisions must be communicated at least 24 hours before the period is to be extended.
  - (ii) All residents of an individual building on the Leckhampton site can unanimously decide amongst themselves that the background heating period should be extended on a week by week basis. Once unanimity is secured within a house, this decision should be communicated by all residents to the MCR Lodgings Officer. Once the MCR Lodgings Officer has received the consent of all residents of the building concerned, he or she is to communicate this decision to the College Accommodation Officer, and the background heating period is to be extended accordingly. Decisions must be communicated at least 24 hours before the period is to be extended.
  - (iii) The Tutor for Advanced Students may, taking account of the opinion of the MCR, decide that the background heating period should be extended on a week by week basis. Unless the Tutor for Advanced Students decides otherwise, the opinion of the MCR is to be determined through an online poll of all MCR members, conducted on a building-by-building basis. Where a majority of those residents of a given building who have voted in the poll express a desire for the background heating period to be extended, the MCR President shall communicate this to the Tutor for Advanced Students as the opinion of the MCR. The opinion of the MCR must be communicated to the Tutor for Advanced Students at least 24 hours before the period is to be extended.
4. Where it is desired that background heating should be turned off before the expiry of the background heating period, a decision to reduce the background heating period can be made on a weekly basis in accordance with the procedures set down in sub-clause 3 for the extension of heating.
5. Where the background heating period is extended under sub-clause 3, the Landlord can impose an extra charge of £11.41 (or portion thereof, if the charge is shared) for each week that background heating is extended. This charge is to be imposed on all tenants who are provided with additional background heating in accordance with sub-clause 3. Where the background heating period is reduced under sub-clause 4, the Landlord is to give to all tenants who are provided with less background heating in accordance with sub-clause 4 a rebate of £11.41 (or portion thereof, if the charge is shared) for each week heating is not provided in that period.