A Bit of Hot Water

Heating the hot water in your home will, on average, account for 23% of your heating bill – around £160 a year.

- If every home in the UK reduced their hot water use by 5% it would be equivalent to taking 340,000 cars off the road.
- The immersion switch gives you instant hot water when you need it. Check you are not leaving it on constantly!
- Savings could be made in the depth and frequency of baths.
- Use a **basin** rather than cleaning dishes under a running tap.
- If you have a hot water tank with a thermostat, try turning it down to 55°C.
- Changing your shower head to a more water efficient one could save you £50 a year on heating the water.
- Rinse vegetables using the cold tap, and save the water and use it to water your plants.
- Washing your clothes at **30°C** instead of higher temperatures can save **£12 a year**.
- When you are running your hot tap to get it to temperature, **save** the water and use it to **water your plants**.
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