## Green Homes Sheffield Host Further information

Host address:	61 Crescent Road Nether Edge
	S7 1HN

## More information about this home

Victorian detached stone house with no wall cavities, heated by gas. In 2013 we were informed by our energy supplier that in the previous year we used 31% less energy than similar "energy efficient" homes in our area.

Walls insulated mainly with cheap 10cm thick reject boards of polyurethane. Work done by ourselves including new plasterboard covering, redecorating and replacing skirting boards etc.

## Low carbon measures on show

- **Low-cost improvements** Heating; Thermostat valves fitted to radiators, condensing boiler with hot water cylinder
- 'Big' insulation works Thick insulation to at least 80% of external walls,
- Lifestyle changes: Reduced heating of hot water, growing food, small polytunnel of recycled materials, minimising car use (having old folks bus pass!)

## **Personal insights**

When we bought the house in 2010 its energy loss was as bad as it gets. Our heating costs are much lower these days. If we go away for a few days and allow the house to cool down we can get it warm quickly on return because the walls are insulated inside.