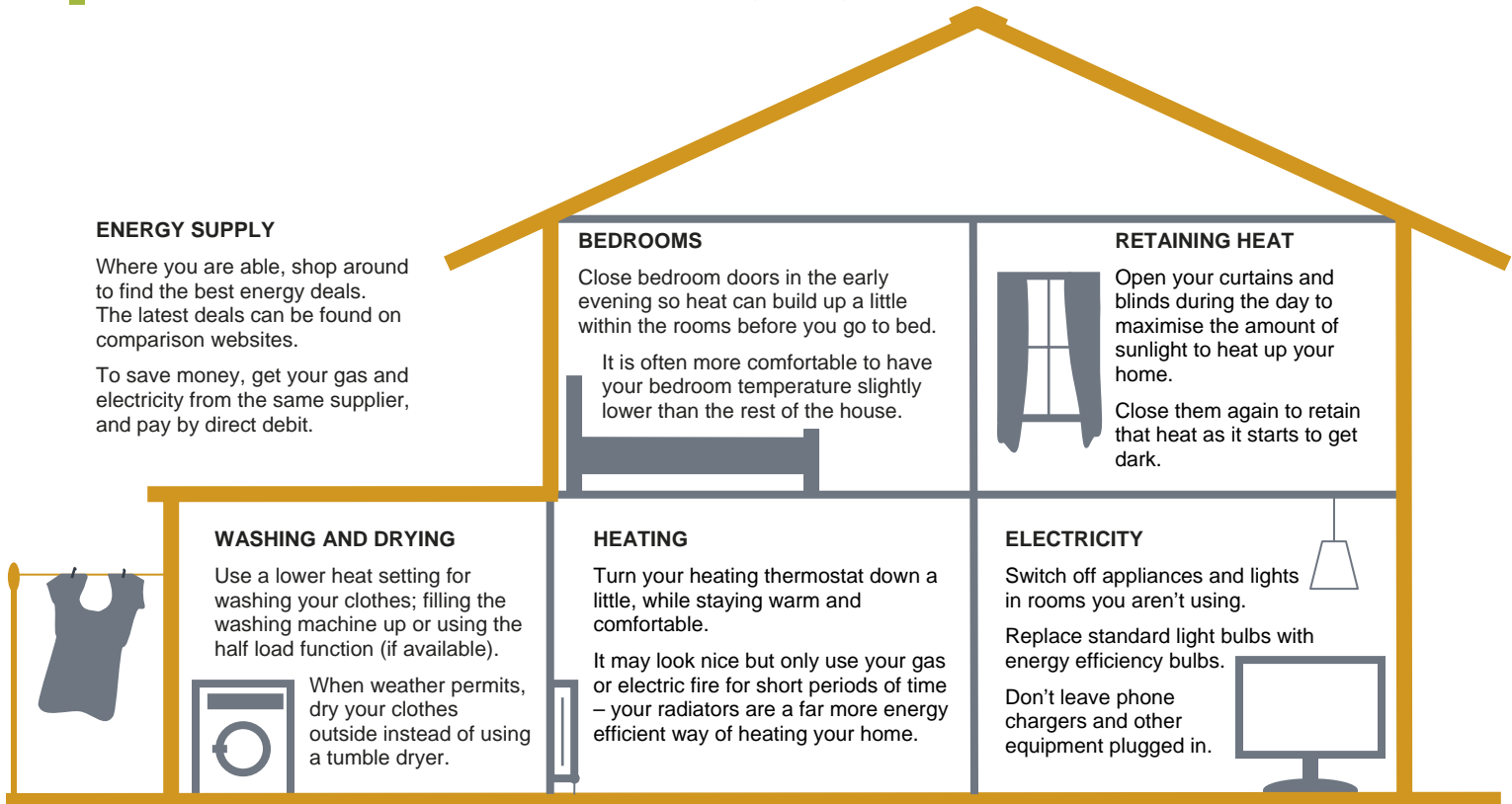




Saving energy is not only good for the environment; it also saves you money. DIO Ops Accommodation has invested in improving the energy efficiency of thousands of Service Family Accommodation (SFA) properties in the last few years; including installing energy efficient boilers, improving loft insulation and adding insulated exterior cladding. As you don't own your SFA property, you can't make major energy efficiency home improvements yourself. However, you can still do a lot yourself to save energy. Follow these simple tips to ensure you aren't wasting energy - and more importantly money.



Should I leave the heating on all day in cold weather?

In cold weather you should always leave your heating on with the thermostat set at least to 15°C, or equivalent, to avoid extremes of temperature and ensure your home is fully protected from the cold over the winter period – this applies even if you are away. You can then turn the heat up as and when required for comfort.

Think energy saving

- Look out for information about energy efficiency when buying new appliances and technology – and make that part of the decision making process.
- Replace light bulbs with energy efficient ones.
- Take the energy test on the *In Your Home* page of www.energysavingtrust.org.uk
- Encourage everyone in the house to be aware of energy consumption – including any children. They may respond to incentives or if saving energy is fun.