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An important part of the transition to a more sustainable world, is to help people be more sustainable. Various methods to change people's behaviour at home have been implemented the last few years by the Dutch government, municipalities, commercial parties, and local resident's initiatives. There is a body of knowledge available from behavioural science on how to reduce energy use, but it is not known if this knowledge is used in practice. This leads to the following:

*What are the questions organisations have, and what are their solutions to reduce residents' energy use?*

An inventory of documents from different non-governmental and governmental organisations in the Netherlands on reducing residents' energy use was received, of which 40 documents were selected for further analysis. They were reviewed on research method, sample, conclusions, recommendations, and were categorised on how to reduce energy use.

Almost every document stressed the importance of behaviour in reducing energy use, but there were different approaches for realising the changes. Additionally, the majority does advise to engage with the residents on a personal level. This is hopeful for the future, but it does leave some questions on how to apply this in practice on a national scale.

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