

COUNCILLOR PICKLES ENERGY AUDIT

Councillor David Pickles received his 2nd round energy audit from Durham Sustain Ability and Windfall Ecology Centre last month. Certified Energy Advisor, David Drodge dropped by Councillor Pickles home to go over the areas in his home that he suggested last year needed some attention in order to reduce energy loss that existed in the home. Councillor Pickles has been busy since last year. He had a high efficiency furnace put into his house, insulated and finished the last 1/4 of his basement, insulated the headers around the entire basement, weatherstripped and built up a cellar door that was very drafty and replaced some windows. The results of his efforts were then recorded by a machine that creates a vacuum in the house and checks for air leakages. This was then compared with the results from last year to determine if his efforts were fruitful. And the results are in....Councillor Pickles energuide rating increased from 64 to 75 and he successfully reduced his green house gas emissions by 2.8 tonnes per year.

Event by Laura Oliver



Councillor Pickles directs David Drodge to his new high efficiency furnace



David explains the purpose of the door blower while installing it



Councillor Pickles and David Drodge monitor the door blower



David removes a panel of the drop ceiling to check out the insulation upgrade



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