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East Pennine

Jane Mears and CES
(Community Energy Solutions)

East Riding of Yorkshire Council

Over the last year 2008/09 the East Riding of Yorkshire Council have been working in partnership with Community Energy Solutions in Yorkshire, to provide air source heat pumps to an area of high fuel poverty off the gas network.



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North East

Winner: Andy Stephenson

Runner up: Catherine Pope

Andy has shown vision and determination in transforming NEDEF and engaging with a broader agenda. He has worked with regional colleagues to improve information flow within the region and to external stakeholders and negotiated to secure the most advantageous schemes and projects for the North East region.



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East Midlands

Hot Lofts Scheme Leicester City Council

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South West

Neil Short

Bournemouth Borough Council

In 2003, Bournemouth Borough Council in partnership with the Dorset Energy Advice Centre, started a privately rented property insulation project – the first of its kind in the UK. This was funded by CERT with a contribution from the Council. Over 6,000 individual bedsit units have been insulated, potentially bringing the tenants out of fuel poverty. The grant money drawn into Bournemouth totals over £1.3 million and it is estimated that this will save over 100,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions over the lifetime of the measures.



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South East

William Bickers-Jones Southampton Council

“William (Bill) Bickers-Jones has been an inspiration to me. I started in my current role only four months ago and seeing his passion and drive for perfection has changed my view on how to work when it comes to Energy Efficiency.”

**Craig Betts – Partnership Development
Officer eaga plc**



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Wales

Adrian Roberts,
G. Rhys Thomas
& Richard W Roberts
– Gwynedd Council



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London

The Climate Change and Energy Team at London Borough of Harrow

For the joint project between the Council's Climate Change and Energy Team and Children's Services: 'Learning how to live Green'. A project to renovate a void flat owned by the local authority where children leaving care had a safe, warm environment to live independently.



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North West

Four Greater Manchester and
twelve Lancashire Authorities

Four Greater Manchester and twelve Lancashire Authorities worked together as a Steering Group to develop the NI 187 indicator and then share their work with the other NW LA's to assist with baseline setting and reporting.



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West Midlands

Affordable Warmth and Assistance to Homeowners Team (AWAHT) - Birmingham City Council

The AWAHT is a multi-disciplinary body that delivers a range of energy efficiency and carbon reduction services to private sector and Council tenants in Birmingham. The Team has long experience of delivering targeted Decent Homes improvements and loan funded improvements for vulnerable householders, including large-scale renewable energy retrofit programmes.



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East

Julia Blackwell Huntingdon District Council

Huntingdonshire District Council's 'Warmer Homes for Life' aims to provide free insulation and improved heating controls to vulnerable households, as defined by the Decent Homes Standard. This definition allows us to help householders who would not normally receive help from Warm Front.

The scheme has helped over 280 households, with 234 lofts and 169 walls stuffed with insulation. The scheme has so far saved 491 tonnes of carbon dioxide.



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Lifetime Achievement Award

John Davis

John Davis has been an active member of the national and regional network for the last 12 years, providing information, support and services to both the Eastern Region and National Network.

Nationally known for his love of bow ties and the 'red jacket', John has supported many national conferences by being the most professional and charismatic toastmaster for the evening.

John has spent most of his working life in energy, first with British Gas, spending many years in varying roles up and down the country. He commenced the first Peterborough Energy Efficiency Advice Centre (EEAC) as manager in 1992 and spent the next few years actively delivering energy advice to the general public within the Eastern Region on behalf of the Energy Saving Trust.

John has been Secretariat for the Eastern Region for 11 years and stood down at the last AGM in April 2009 from his post so as to 'retire' for a third time.

John is respected throughout the East of England and beyond for his dedication, determination and helpfulness. Delivering his knowledge to all with good humour and a very pleasant demeanour; making him a true friend to every Local Authority.



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Mark Group Award

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