



INVITATION

BRIDGEND'S LOCAL ENERGY REVOLUTION WORKSHOP

The Green Room, above SUSSED,
James St., Porthcawl CF36 3BG
20th September 2017 17:00

Has Bridgend County found itself in the unlikely position of being at the cutting edge of the Green Energy Revolution in the UK?

Its profile has certainly been raised following selection as a demonstrator for the **Smart System of Heat (SSH) Programme** in October 2014 for two demonstrator schemes:- the **Bridgend Town Heat Network** and the **Upper Llynfi Valley Heat Network (Caerau Minewater) Projects**.

The Caerau Minewater Heat Project was recently announced in August 2017 as the third prize winner in the NEA and British Gas Energy Impact Awards 2017-18.

Bridgend CBC is working with the Energy Technology Institute (ETI) who are developing an **EnergyPath Networks tool** which will identify the most cost-effective local energy systems (heat and power) for Bridgend to a lower carbon energy system as part of a Low Carbon Transition Plan.

Acting as a catalyst for energy project investment in the Bridgend borough, the heat network projects **SSH Programme** has attracted additional studies to be carried out such as an analysis of the Bridgend Gas Network by Wales and West Utilities to inform the future of the gas debate, identifying opportunities for Community Renewable Energy Schemes in Rural Bridgend.

Current trials are also underway such as the **FREEDOM hybrid heating system** project a partnership between PassivSystem, Western Power Distribution and Wales & West Utilities and the Home Energy Service Gateway (HESG) trial by the energy catapult and BCBC.

The workshop will provide an opportunity to hear about the local energy projects currently underway in Bridgend County. Providing a context in which to discuss further development of Community Energy Schemes.

The workshop will prove relevant for all those with an interest in local renewable energy and community energy in Bridgend County.

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AGENDA



17:00	Registration and Refreshments	
17:15	Welcome introduction	Margaret Minhinnick, Director Sustainable Wales Geoff Hobbs Reach
	Local Energy Project Trials	
17:25	Smart System of Heat Programme (SSH) Programme Upper Llynfi Valley Heat Network (Caerau Minewater) projects	Ceri Williams (Bridgend CBC)
17:35	Bridgend Town Heat Network	Jonathan Williams (Carbon Trust)
17:45	Freedom Project	Tom Veli (Passive systems)
	Community Energy Initiatives	
17:55	Opportunities for Community Renewable Energy	James Orme (Juno Energy) Ant Flanagan (Gower Power)
18:15	Energy Local	Melanie Johnson, Sustainable Wales Trustee
18:25	Break/ refreshments	
	Discussion and Feedback Session	
18:35	Next steps for Local / Community Energy in Bridgend	Geoff Hobbs
19:20	Close and thanks	
19:25	Refreshments and networking	

Please RSVP and indicate language preference (Welsh / English), via email (Geoffrey.hobbs@bridgend.gov.uk) or phone (01656 643196) to ensure there is an appropriate amount of seating and refreshments available.

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