

Sustainable Building Breakfast Club

Established to facilitate actions that will improve the sustainability of local housing.



Time: 8.00 – 9.30am

Starts: Wednesday 7 September 2011
Then first Wednesday in every month

Free to attend.

Coffee and light breakfast available (£4)

Location: Terrace Bar,
The Management Centre,
Bangor Business School,
College Road,
Bangor, Gwynedd,
LL57 2DG

The Welsh Assembly Government is committed to achieving zero carbon development in buildings but in order to realise this aspiration a significant improvement is required in:

- the fabric performance of buildings
- the mechanical ventilation and heat recovery systems
- the greater use of renewable energy generation
- the adoption of sustainable building products

Issues of air quality, user behaviour and maintenance concerns are now starting to be raised in relation to achieving higher levels of air tightness and reducing primary energy use. While it seems that the most cost effective renewable solutions are likely to be site/community wide, the energy infrastructure, financial and management systems to support these solutions have yet to be developed.

The Sustainable Building Breakfast Club has been established by a group of companies and individuals who are interested in obtaining and disseminating information on the sustainable performance of materials currently available or in development. They are interested in sharing information and experiences so that mistakes can be avoided and to help to ensure that Wales truly does meet its objectives of zero carbon development in a sustainable manner. The group would also like to act as a focus and networking opportunity for the establishment of community infrastructures to support cost effective solutions.

The Format

Each month a speaker will be invited to present information on a product, design issue, policy or concept and the impact that it could have on the sustainability of housing, a discussion on the matter will then follow. Time for informal networking will also be made over coffee.

Organisers

The Sustainable Building Breakfast Club is organised and hosted by the Welsh Institute of Natural Resources (WINR).

Contact

If you would like to get involved, can suggest a topic for discussion, recommend speakers or be prepared to speak yourself please get in touch with Dr Einir Young e.m.young@Bangor.ac.uk / Ceri Loxton on e-mail: c.loxton@bangor.ac.uk.