

Introducing ReEnergise – architects and enablers of carbon net-zero for schools

Our Role

We are a team of professional engineers and project managers focused on getting schools to work towards becoming net-zero, in a manner that enables them to continue providing education as intended.

The most apt description of this service is that we are the architects and enablers of estate decarbonisation plans and programmes.

We guide clients through a step-by-step risk-reduction process that avoids them wasting time and money on dead-ends or expensive mistakes.

We are enthusiastic about encouraging schools to become net-zero carbon, as well as energy self-sufficient to the extent that their circumstances permit. We are also keen to support them in getting there. However, we are pragmatic in our approach and unbiased about technical and commercial solutions: our purpose is to find and organise the right solution for each school.

Our Zero-Carbon Schools campaign <https://www.reenergisegroup.com/zero-carbon-schools/> is the focus of this work.

Our core business is working out how best to retrofit low-carbon technologies into school estates without unduly interrupting normal school business; then organising the delivery of the conversion programmes to the required time, cost and quality.

The Rationale

In recent years we've engaged with scores of schools and been regular speakers about net-zero in a practical sense at education conferences and seminars. Some common themes have emerged:

- Senior staff are usually concerned about excessive energy usage and climate change but have other pressing demands on their time; and often do not understand the scale of the work required to achieve net-zero.
- Net-zero can seem like a minefield: finding a route through seems confusing and daunting. So does the market, because there are so many technical options, so many suppliers, and so many vested interests.
- Recent energy price hikes have made it all the more important to find ways to reduce operating costs.

Results

We're now recognised as leaders in this field within the Independent Education Sector. In the past two years we've seen a marked increase in requests for support. We're now working flat out on decarbonisation plans and projects. It feels like the tide is turning.

See our other information sheets for more detail.

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