

# NHS benefits from Carbon and Energy Fund

**D**escribing the increasing uptake by NHS organisations of energy savings schemes through the cost and time-saving Carbon and Energy Fund, CEO Clive Natrass said: “We’re very busy. People like the CEF, and are wanting it to carry on elsewhere outside the NHS. So we’re looking for it to become the preferred model for the Public Sector.

“We are designed for the NHS. Many think the CEF is too good to be true, but there’s no catch. What people do is get new for old and cash back,” explained Clive. “CEF has already delivered 13 capital projects for healthcare at a capital value of around £77m, which are delivering £16.26m per annum of gross savings and

81,000 tonnes per annum of CO<sub>2</sub> savings.

“A further ten projects at a capital value of around £33m, delivering £6.44m per annum of gross savings and 32,000 tonnes per annum of CO<sub>2</sub> savings, will

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reach financial closure within the next three months. And another £43m of projects are in the procurement process.

“CEF is also going very well in Scotland. They have become very involved. We’ve a number of Scottish projects in the pipeline. We’re looking to go for three of the schemes starting in early 2015, with them going live by June 2015.”

“Meanwhile we’re working with a whole range of projects and we’re working to increase the number of bidders. We had ten first time and have 17 now. It’s a constant development job.”

As Clive pointed out: “It’s not just CHP-based schemes - it’s all aspects of energy saving. For example between the two Oxford hospitals the scheme

includes a district heating scheme, which feeds into both, and an extensive upgrade to the BMS and lighting. There’s a similar project in Aberdeen involving two hospitals, which is at preferred bidder stage.

“While the average CEF scheme is £3m to £4m, we’re currently involved in an ambulance trust scheme at under £1m. The highest value project so far is £35m.”

Clive added: “We’ve developed a Community Model and we’re now looking at small trusts with lots of little problems and buildings - mental health trusts, ambulance trusts, community trusts.”

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