

Community Energy in Edinburgh

A Conference Organised by the Edinburgh Community Energy Cooperative

Saturday 11th September 2010 10.00 am – 1.45 pm

Venue: Candlish Room, St George's West Church, 58 Shandwick Place, Edinburgh

**Come along to hear about updates on projects and plans,
exchange of information, network and news on national initiatives**

Our thanks to Scotmid Cooperative East Regional Committee for sponsoring the event



About the Edinburgh Community Energy Cooperative

To help offset the effects of climate change, we need to reduce the level of Greenhouse Gases being emitted. The only plausible way that this can be achieved is by generating our energy from sources that emit very low or even zero levels of greenhouse gases, such as renewable energy.

Edinburgh Community Energy Co-operative Ltd was formed at the end of 2007 with the support of Co-operative Development Scotland. It is a non-profit, member-owned organisation, which was set up to give Edinburgh residents a vehicle to promote and develop renewable and low-carbon energy in the city.

Edinburgh Community Energy Co-operative Ltd encourages people from all walks of life to be part of the 'renewable revolution', to get involved in the race against the inevitable reality of climate change and help prevent the consequences of flooding and drought among other emerging penalties that derive from rising sea levels and increased global temperatures.

Climate change is real and is a global phenomenon that needs to be addressed immediately and requires an internationally co-ordinated solution. Join our co-operative and become involved in the use of renewable energy in Edinburgh and help combat Climate Change.

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Application Form to Become a Member of the Edinburgh Community Energy Cooperative

I/We wish to become a member of the Edinburgh Community Energy Co-operative Limited. I/we agree to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding one pound (£1)) to the Company's assets if it should be wound up while I am/we are a member or within one year after ceasing to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before ceasing to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.

Signature:

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of an organisation):

Address:

Tel:

email:

Please return this form to: Mark Lazarowicz, 17 Bellevue Place, Edinburgh EH7 4BS

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Programme

10.00 Introduction

Mark Lazarowicz, MP for Edinburgh North & Leith – Chair Edinburgh Community Energy Cooperative

10.10 Reports from Edinburgh Projects

Granton Combined Heat & Power/District Heating Project

Ewan Jures: Principal Engineer, Energy and Sustainable Solutions, Parsons Brinckerhoff, Project Consultants

Hydro-Electric Power on the Water of Leith

Steven Downie: Senior Engineer, RD Energy Solutions, Consultants on Water of Leith Hydropower Feasibility Studies

PEDAL: Portobello Transition Town – Community Energy Possibilities

Charlotte Bickmore: Energy Worker, PEDAL

11.00 Energy in the City

Councillor Robert Aldridge: Environment Leader, City of Edinburgh Council

Stuart Hay: Sustainable Futures Manager, Changeworks

11.50 Break

12.15 Support for Local Energy Saving Projects and Community Energy Schemes

Community Energy Scotland

Georgy Davis: Community Energy Scotland Development Officer, South-East Scotland

Community Energy Direct – Setting Up Energy Consumer Coops

Anna Eagar: Community Energy Direct

13.00 Closing Discussion: Update and Views on the Proposed Biomass-Fired Power Station in Leith Docks

Speakers

Calum Wilson: Managing Director, Forth Energy (promoters of the proposed biomass plant)

Alistair Tibbet: Greener Leith (TBC)

REGISTRATION: Free for individuals and representatives from community groups

Fee of £20 per person for representatives from other organisations, payable upon entry

To register, please send an email to: edinburghcommunityenergy@blueyonder.co.uk with names and email addresses of those wishing to register