



## Free biomass workshops in the North East

Start 10am, finish 4pm

Session 1 - Introduction to biomass (including site visit)

Session 2 - Feasibility of biomass

Session 3 - The situation in the North East

Session 4 - Applying for the Bio-Energy Capital Grants Scheme

South workshop - 12th January 2010

Nissan sports and social club

Washington Road

Sunderland SR5 3NS

North workshop - 13th January 2010

Lee moor business park

Rennington

Alnwick NE66 3RL

To book a place at either event, or to obtain further information, please contact

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**Lisa Beardmore (AEA)**

Lisa holds an honours degree in Sustainable Development from the University of St Andrews. Lisa is the Scheme Manager for Rounds 1 to 6 of the Bio-Energy Capital Grants Scheme. This

involves managing a large team of biomass experts, ensuring QA procedures are adhered to especially during assessment phases, and reporting on overall and individual project progress on a monthly and quarterly basis to DECC.

Lisa is also the Project Manager for the DECC Smart Grids Capital Grants Programme where she leads a small team assessing and monitoring grant applications for Smart Grids projects.



**Nick Barker (AEA)**

Nick is a qualified chemical engineer with over 35 years experience in implementing commercial energy plant and R & D projects. An acknowledged technical expert in the Bio-energy field who also has wide experience of

support programmes, he can relate to both industrial and funding communities.

Nick has considerable practical experience in the design and hands-on operation of capital grant and other funding schemes. He is the current Programme Technical Director for the Bio-energy Capital Grants Scheme and has a comprehensive knowledge of all the projects. He is currently playing a major role in guiding the outstanding projects through to implementation.

**Session 1 – Introduction to biomass**

- What is classed as biomass?
- Why use biomass for heat?
- What drivers are there for the uptake of biomass?

**Lunch**

**Session 2 – Feasibility of biomass**

- Factors to be taken into account for your site (e.g. fuel supply, heat profile, economics)
- Site visit

**Extra session – Carbon Trust**

- Available biomass feasibility tools and guidance
- Biomass Heat Accelerator

**Session 3 – The situation in the North East**

- Current initiatives
- The regional biomass infrastructure
- Case studies

**Session 4 – Applying for Bio-Energy Capital Grants Scheme**

- Application process
- What you need for your application (and why)
- How to make a high-quality application