

Renewable Heat Incentive Consultation

Yorkshire and Humber Biomass Workshop

Bradford City Hall, 15th March 2010

Speaker Profiles

Opening Address - Andrew Cooper, Green Councillor, Kirklees MBC

"Andrew has worked in the housing and energy sector since 1993 when he became Kirklees Council's first Energy Efficiency Coordinator, he went on to work for Calderdale Council introducing the UK's first universally free insulation for pensioners. He has since then worked on Regional Energy Policy for Yorkshire and Humber Assembly and has been Head of On Site Renewables for the Renewable Energy Association. Andrew is now Director of Advice and Policy at Yorkshire Energy Services where he manages the Energy Saving Trust advice centre for South and West Yorkshire. Andrew was elected to Kirklees Council in May 1999 as a Green Party Councillor and has been re-elected three times in the Newsome Ward. He proposed the UK's first universally free insulation scheme which will see over 50'000 Kirklees homes insulated by 2010. In 2000 he initiated the Council's Renewable Energy Fund which has seen Kirklees become the leading authority in the deployment of microgeneration technologies with over 5% of the UK's solar capacity in the borough. In 2008 Andrew successfully obtained funding for the Kirklees RE-Charge scheme which provides householders with renewable technology for their homes with no upfront costs or monthly payments. Last year he was recognised in the Independent on Sundays list of the top 100 Environmentalists and was the only Councillor on the list."

Chair - Richard Williamson, Environment and Climate Change Manager, Bradford MBC

"Richard Williamson joined CBMDC in late January 2010 to set up and lead the Council's new Environment & Climate Change Unit. The creation of this new unit as a dedicated resource is a very strong signal from the authority of its commitment to meeting and going well beyond its obligations in terms of CO2 emissions reduction and wider environmental targets. Richard comes to the post after many years working in Scotland with a private sector land and property company and in 2009 working on secondment to the Scottish Government on an agriculture and climate change project. He has been closely involved in the politics of land use and renewables north of the border and has a particular enthusiasm for an ecosystem services approach to environmental planning."



Andrej Miller, Policy Manager, Renewable Heat Incentive, Department of Energy and Climate Change

"Andrej Miller is a policy manager in the Renewable Financial Incentives team at the Department of Energy and Climate Change. His role focuses on policy development of the Renewable Heat Incentive. He has worked in energy group in DTI, BERR and now DECC for over four years in posts which included working on the Feed-in Tariffs, the Energy Act 2008 and the Energy White Paper 2007. Prior to joining Government Andrej worked for PwC and Deloitte & Touche in the Global Risk Management/Enterprise Risk branches of the Audit and Assurance divisions."

Joanne Pollard, Chief Executive, CO2Sense Yorkshire

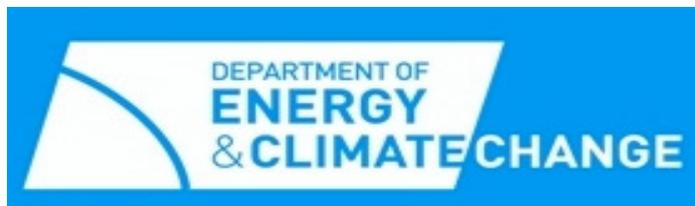
"Joanne is the Chief Executive of CO2Sense Yorkshire Ltd, which is the sustainable delivery body for Yorkshire Forward. Her experience prior to this has been across retail and property sectors, but primarily the financial services sector, where she has worked for Organisations such as; Legal and General, Abbey and BUPA. She has a strong Customer focus, and describes the work of CO2Sense as being 'hard green' ie: everything requires both a sustainable and a commercial payback. She has an MBA from Bradford, and is married with two young sons."

Tim Powell, Senior Energy Consultant, NG Bailey

"Tim works for Bailey Energy, the division that looks after everything to do with renewable technologies, energy, AM&T for the group. The senior consultant having worked in the energy field both in the UK and Germany for the past 20 years. His main function is to carry out surveys and come up with investment plans for remedial works or renewables. His background is in mechanical engineering."

Stuart Howarth, Director, Howarth Environmental / Dalkia

"Stuart Howarth is the Wood Procurement Director for Dalkia Bio Energy and has been in his role for 12 months. Prior to this he ran his own successful company which won the Yorkshire Forward Business of the Year in 2008. Stuart has 10 years specific wood industry supply experience, has been involved in most of the major studies and reports undertaken in the UK surrounding wood waste, represented the UK in Europe for 5 Years on wood processing and treatment options and was consulted on both the Biomass Task Force Report and the Waste Wood as a Priority Biomass Report 2008. He was part of the successful bid team for the dedicated 30Mw Biomass facility, Wilton 10, Teesside operated by Sembcorp Utilities and specialises in all areas of the wood fuel supply chain emanating from recovered and end of life wood. Stuart has assisted WRAP and Defra in a multitude of areas and has presented both in the UK and across Europe. If you want to know the truth about the industry there is no better person in fact Stuart says 'it is the



truth that allows the correct decisions to be made and in today's current economic market this is critical to both investors and operators'. He also considers that sometimes things may not be as they appear!"

Mike Burrell, Managing Director, *Manco Energy*

"Mike joined Manco Energy Ltd some 3 years ago and is responsible for the introduction to customers of medium to large scale biomass heating systems both regionally and across the UK, from initial concept through to handover of the completed project. Mike's initial background started as a multi skilled electrical and mechanical engineer developing into a managerial role within the sectors of Facilities Management and BeMS (Building Energy Management Systems) experience and understanding in business acumen and different technologies over the last 30 years has proved to be invaluable in being combined with the Renewable Energy Sector."

Kieran Allen, Technology Acceleration Manager, *Carbon Trust*

"Keiran runs the Carbon Trust's Biomass Heat Accelerator project – a five year project with a total budget of up to £5M. The project's aim is to accelerate the commercial uptake of this low carbon technology more widely in the UK. Keiran has been working for the Carbon Trust for five years, prior to which he studied an MSc in renewable energy technology at Herriot-Watt University. Previously he worked in climate change research & research management at the University of Edinburgh and for the Royal Geographical Society/IBG."

Gordon Watts, Programme Manager, *CO2Sense Yorkshire*

"Gordon manages delivery of the Woodfuel Infrastructure Programme for CO2Sense Yorkshire, having been in post since September 2009. The programme supports development of the regional woodfuel supply infrastructure and also the uptake of woodfuel fired heating systems and covers a range of activities and market interventions. Gordon originally comes from an industrial background in the steel industry where he addressed product and process development issues. More recently and before joining CO2Sense, Gordon worked for 8 years in the field of environmental management in the glass sector, supported in this role by post graduate degrees in business management and environmental management."



WORKSHOP - Facilitators

Richard Lee, Director Biomass & Generation, NViron Cleantech Ltd

"Richard has over 15 years experience in medium scale energy and utility plant ranging from operations and maintenance through plant design, project management and commissioning. Richard has undertaken numerous feasibility studies for combined heat and power, biomass and other renewables projects and has also worked in industry regulation and on carbon emission reduction programmes in the public sector. Richard joined Future Energy Yorkshire (now CO2Sense Yorkshire) in May 2006 and was responsible for the overall direction of the organisations operations. Richard also directly managed a number of projects including activities in clean coal technology, grid connection and distributed generation. Leaving the organisation on January 2009, Richard joined NViro Cleantech to take up position as Director of Biomass."

Amanda Botterill, Director, Pellegen /Chair of Y & H Microgeneration Forum

"Pellegen Ltd are specialist installers of renewable energy appliances, they are one of the few MCS accredited installers of Biomass appliances in the north of England. Amanda is passionate about Microgeneration and as Chair of the YHMP works hard to source the funding, training and accreditation needed for the creation of a highly professional and skilled Microgeneration industry which will ensure that the demand for renewable energy can be met in the Yorkshire and Humber region."

Will Richardson, Director, Rural Development Initiatives / Yorwoods

"Will is a rural development and natural resource management specialist with 15 years experience of running rural development related projects. He is currently actively involved in biomass supply chain development projects in the Y&H region through the Yorwoods initiative. As a director of Rural Development Initiatives, a not for profit project management company, Will manages two teams of rural development and land-use professionals, running a wide range of projects associated with the impacts of climate change on the rural sector. These include biomass market acceleration programmes, land management and change, and land-based climate change adaptation initiatives."



Fiona McDermott, National Biomass Researcher, National Non-Food Crops Centre

"Fiona is a Biomass Researcher for the National Non-Food Crops Centre (NNFCC), which is the UK's national centre for renewable fuels, chemicals and materials. In a new post created in January '10, Fiona's remit is to improve the NNFCC's understanding of biomass resource availability and to identify barriers to increased uptake of bioenergy. Previous to this, Fiona was a Project Manager for CO2Sense where as part of the Woodfuel Programme team she helped to support woodland owners and suppliers of woodfuel."

Vince Carter, Regional Development Manager, Forestry Commission

"Vince leads on the development of the Regional Forestry Strategy and the Yorkshire Forward funded Capital Programme that is intended to bring an additional £2.9m to the forestry sector over the next three financial years. Key elements of that Programme included woodland creation to reduce flood risk and increased funding to bring woodlands into management."



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