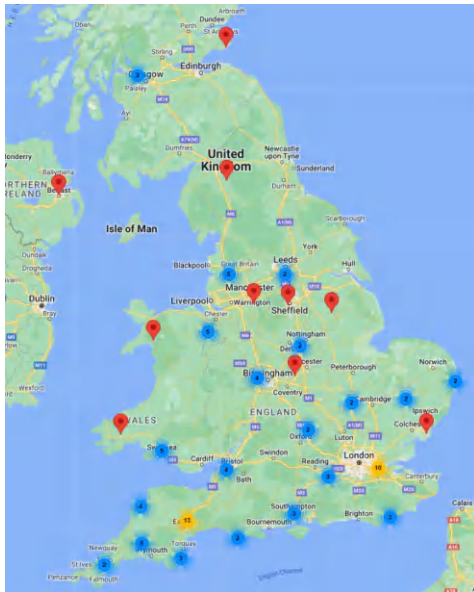


- We are very busy in 2023 -

This month we have information on several key topics that are particularly important to energy assessors at the moment



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Latest News and Resources



New non-domestic conventions went live on 1st February 2023

Proficiency provided some of



EPCs and Listed Buildings

Despite all the evidence to the contrary, we are still hearing the argument that



EPCs and Strip-Back Lease Terms

Whilst we are working hard to raise the energy efficiency standards of existing

the CPD for Elmhurst and Stroma members as well as our own, which is great for consistency. It did highlight past differences between the schemes.

We have also produced some guidance documents to follow on from the CPD.

Convention 6.13: Identifying Indirectly Conditioned Zones

Convention 4.08: Zone within a zone

Roof / Zone Heights guidance (examples)

There are other useful downloads on our links page as well as these.

people do not need an EPC because their building is listed.

We attempt to separate fact from fiction in our

NEWS ARTICLE

We also have a guidance document on the subject for you to download.

LISTED BUILDINGS

buildings, there is one recurring theme that keeps knocking us back. Strip-back lease terms.

We discuss the issue and help provide assessors with the opportunity to educate their landlord clients.

There are lots of benefits to keeping relevant energy efficiency improvements that tenants make.

NEWS ARTICLE

MORE DETAILS



Should you edit non-domestic recommendations?

At our recommendations workshop, around half of the assessors said they will always suppress and/or replace recommendations that are not right for the building.

The other half said they would not because their scheme didn't allow them to.

We asked the schemes and DLUHC. All said assessors should tailor recommendations to make

15th March CPD Unusual / less common issues in RdSAP

Billy Say from Quidos will be addressing some of the unusual / less common issues DEAs come across and how they can be handled in RdSAP.

The session will be a mix of issues Quidos have addressed through their support desk and questions submitted by Proficiency members.

This is a good example of how we work with schemes

12th April CPD Insulation best practice

A CPD session which will cover a range of topics including:

- End to end compliance for insulation projects
- The role of testing to validate performance
- The PAS steering Group
- The rights and wrongs of cavity insulation extraction
- General state of the nation within the

the report appropriate. None said they would discourage assessors from doing so.

Read our guidance on non-domestic recommendations.

GUIDANCE NOTES



**20th April CPD
The Retrofit Journey**

In April, with CoreLogic, we are bringing you a 1 hour CPD session on the Retrofit (PAS:2035) journey.

- From initial contact to successful completion.
- Retrofit assessment and coordination elements
- How the software manages each stage of the process

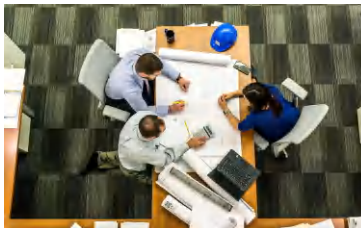
This will be highly relevant for existing Retrofit Assessors and/or Coordinators. Also for anyone thinking of becoming one, and for energy assessors wanting to understand more about the Retrofit process their EPCs may lead into.

Open to non-members at a cost of £20

to find and tailor solutions to the challenges faced by our members.

1 hour of CPD. Open to non-members at a cost of £20

RdSAP CPD



**4th May CPD
Retrofit update from TrustMark**

Back by popular demand, we are repeating last years highly informative TrustMark update session.

- Subjects likely to be covered include:
- TrustMark's function as a registration scheme
- What TrustMark is doing, and why
- Indications of where government and Ofgem may potentially be heading
- Feed back on progress, what is working well and what the ongoing challenges are

We are very pleased to welcome back Phil Mason, Head of Regulatory Engagement for TrustMark.

1 hour of CPD. Open to non-members at a cost of £20

insulation industry

An informative session from Nigel Donohue, Chief Executive of The Installation Assurance Authority (IAA)

1 hour of CPD. Open to non-members at a cost of £20

INSULATION CPD

Fuel conversion factors for DEC assessors

We have updated our quick reference chart to use the latest (2022) approved DEFRA figures.

For the times you cannot get the actual values from the supplier, this is your quickest way to find a value to use.

It covers most of the fuels you are likely to come across in a clear and concise table.

The conversions are provided as simple kWh/unit of supply so exactly what DEC assessors need to know.

We also have a simple spreadsheet tool for calculating the Woodchip CV for Convention 2.05. (Sorry, that one is accessible to members only)

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