Energy Audit Report for St. Stephen and All Martyrs Church

Site Address	St. Stephen and All Martyrs Church, Oldham, OL1 3QU
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1 Executive Summary

An energy survey of St. Stephen and All Martyrs Church, Oldham, OL1 3QU was undertaken by ESOS Energy Ltd to provide advice to the Church on how it can be more energy efficient and provide a sustainable and comfortable environment to support its continued use. This audit has been provided in conjunction with 2buy2, the Church of England's Parish Buying scheme provider.

This energy audit has been undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced energy auditor. Benefits of implementing the opportunities identified in this Report include a reduction in energy costs in the first instance, but could also reduce other costs, increase staff awareness and engagement, and improve comfort and staff satisfaction in the workplace.

The Church has a number of ways in which is can be more energy efficient. Our key recommendations have been summarised in the table below and are described in more detail later in this report. It is recommended that this table is used as the action plan for the church in implementing these recommendations over the coming years:

Energy Saving Measure	Annual Energy Savings (kWh)	Annual Cost Savings (£)	Estimated Capital Cost	Payback Period (Years)	Annual Carbon Savings (Tonnes CO_2e)
Install a smart electricity meter (estimated 3% saving through positive behavioural changes)	309	£31	£0	Immediate	0.1
Utilise timer function on heating units (estimated 5% saving)	515	£51	£0	Immediate	0.2
Church – replace 20W chandeliers with 3.5W LED alternatives.	193	£19	£225	11.8	<0.1
Vestry – replace 20W fluorescent with 3.5W LED alternatives.	9	£1	£10	10.0	<0.1
TOTAL	**1,026**	**£103**	**£235**	**2.3**	**0.3**

The headline messages from the audit are:

- £235 investment in energy reduction measures would achieve an estimated annual saving of 1,026kWh (combined electric and gas).
- Based on current electricity and gas tariffs, this would result in an annual financial saving of £103.
- The simple payback period on this investment is 0.3 years.

The Church should check any faculty requirements with the DAC Secretary at the Diocese before commencing any works.

2 Church Information

A site survey was undertaken by Tim Mawby on Tuesday 3rd December 2019. The survey was non-invasive (visual only) and entailed a general walk throughout the church areas, including back of house spaces and plant rooms.

Photograph 1: St. Stephen and All Martyrs Church External View

General Information	
Site Address	St. Stephen and All Martyrs Church, St. Stephen's Street, Oldham, OL1 3QU
Listed Status	Grade II listed Building
Building Age	Built in 1873
Floor Area	Approximately 515m^2
Usage	Typically 5 hours per week

3 Energy Procurement Review

Energy bills for electricity have not been supplied, therefore billing rates have been estimated using the current market rates for energy. There is no active gas supply at the Site.

3.1 Electricity

Day Rate	10.00 p/kWh

3.2 Gas

Rate	N/A

The review has highlighted that there may be opportunities to gain environmental benefits from improved procurement of the energy supplies at this site.

We would therefore recommend that the Church obtains a quotation for its gas and electricity supplies from the CofE Parish Buying scheme (https://www.parishbuying.org.uk/categories/energy/energy-basket). This scheme only offers renewably sourced energy and therefore it is an important part of the process of making Churches more sustainable.

4 Energy Usage Details

4.1 Cost & Consumption

Energy Type	Annual kWh
Electricity	Not Provided

If not already in place, it is recommended that the Church consider asking their suppliers to install smart meters so that the usage can be monitored more closely, and the patterns of usage reviewed against the times the building is in use.

4.2 Energy Benchmarking (Based on CofE Shrinking the Footprint – Energy)

Energy Type	Size (Sqm)	Benchmark Energy Use (kWh/Sqm)	Actual Energy Use (kWh/Sqm)	Variance from Benchmark (%)
Electricity	515	20	Not Provided	Not Provided

5 Building Performance and Opportunities

The building is well run with proactive on-site team in terms of energy conversation with some areas of improvement already being identified. The following sections will highlight where further improvements could potentially be made.

5.1 Building Envelope

From visual inspection, the building envelope appears to be in a reasonably good state of repair. However, there is no wall or roof insulation.

5.2 Heating System – Boilers

A gas fired boiler is located in the basement plant room, however this has been disconnected. There are no other boilers on-site.

Photograph 2: Church Boiler – Disconnected

5.3 Heating System – Pipework and Distribution

There are no operational boilers on-site, therefore all heating pipework is no longer in use.

5.4 Heating System – Heat Emitters

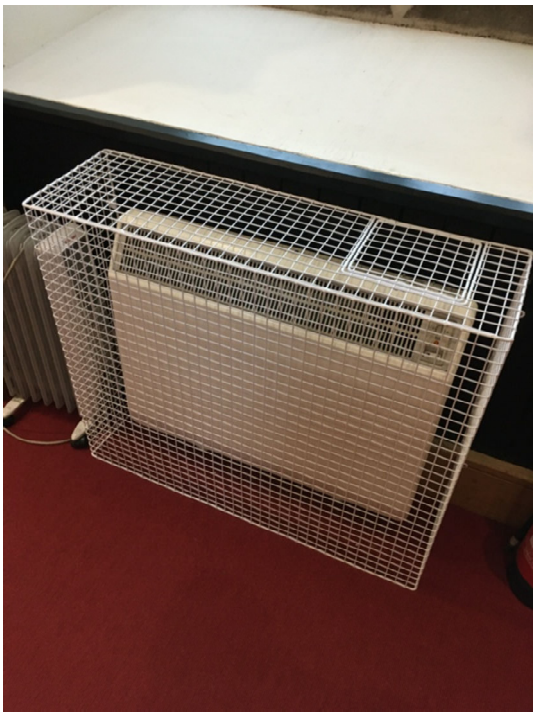
Heating to the church is provided by 12no. plug-in electric radiators and 2no. Helios electric heaters. These are manually switched on and off when required. It is recommended that the heating timers are used to prevent the heaters being left on during unoccupied hours.

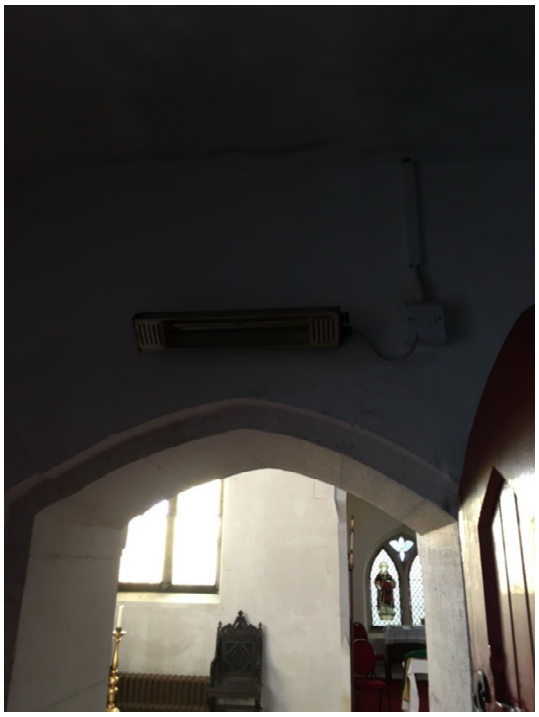
There are several cast iron radiators located in the church, however due to the gas fired boiler being disconnected, these radiators are not currently redundant.

A range of portable plug-in heaters are also present throughout the building and are used to provide additional heating to the smaller rooms when required. This can be an ineffective, inefficient and poorly controlled means of

providing space heating, and can easily be left on when unoccupied. It is recommended that a more permanent heating solution be provided to these spaces if and when heating upgrades are undertaken.

Photographs 3 & 4: Church Heat Emitters





5.5 Hot Water System

There is an Omega Spa electric water heater located in the kitchen, along with a Cygnet electric point of use water heater. There is a small, Elson electric point of use water heater in the WC. Hot water consumption is considered to be nominal.

Photograph 5: Omega Water Heater

5.6 Lighting

There is no lighting control system, motion detectors or daylight dimming controls. All light fittings are controlled via manual on/off switches, from a central panel in the office.

The range of light fittings throughout the church areas are detailed below:

Church

- 9no. chandeliers, each consisting of 5no. 20W fluorescent lamps – recommended to be replaced with 3.5W LED alternatives.
- 12no. LED downlights

Photographs 6 & 7: Church Chandelier & LED Downlights

Meeting Room

- 24no. LED spotlights

Photograph 8: LED Spotlights

Vestry

- 2no. 20W fluorescent lamps – recommended to be replaced with 3.5W LED alternatives.

Photograph 9: Fluorescent Lamps

Kitchen

- 1no. LED strip light

Photograph 10: LED Strip light

5.7 Renewables

There are currently no renewables on-site. A free desktop survey can be carried out by a specialist solar installer to identify the possibility of installing solar PV panels.

6 Potential Saving Opportunities

As part of the assessment, we carry out a close inspection of M&E plant and their associated controls, with the aim of identifying any issues that have significant impact on energy consumption and correct building operation. We have reviewed the building and associated HVAC and lighting operations and identified the following potential energy conservation opportunities (ECOs), which should be investigated:

Category	Actions	Potential Annual Savings			Investment (£)	Simple payback (yrs.)
		Elec/Gas (kWh)	Cost (£)	(tCO_2)		
General	Install a smart electricity meter (estimated 3% saving through positive behavioural changes)	309	£31	0.1	£0	Immediate
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TOTAL ELECTRICITY SAVINGS		**1,026**	**£103**	**0.3**	**£235**	**2.3**
TOTAL GAS SAVINGS		**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
GRAND TOTAL		**1,026**	**£103**	**0.3**	**£235**	**2.3**

7 Assumptions

7.1 Assumptions

- The lighting cost excludes labour, installation and access which will require the confirmation of a specialist lighting contractor.
- Average cost of electricity at 10.00p/kWh.
- Electricity carbon emission rate of 0.31598 kgCO_2/kWh.

7.2 Economic Life

CIBSE Guide M Appendix 12.A1 gives the economic life of plant common plant items. After this time the maintenance and repair make it economic to replace the asset. There will be energy savings inherent in the new equipment and the need to meet the minimum requirements of the Building Regulations. Some capital plant has long payback periods, when based on energy efficiency alone, but these should be part of an asset replacement programme with only the 'additional' cost of higher than minimum required energy standards being used to calculate ROI.

7.3 Implementation

Reviews of Energy Projects and Initiatives are designed to provide a high-level indication of options available clients and will not constitute a recommendation for implementation. Pricing and potential savings are indicative values and will not constitute an offer.

7.4 Cumulative Savings and Double Counting

It should be noted that further investigation may rule out some measures as impractical, either physically or financially. Some measures are mutually exclusive and provide diminishing returns if implemented together. For example, if the lighting load is reduced through more efficient lighting, there will be an increase in the heat demand on boilers, as the new lights generate less heat.

Each energy conservation measure is assessed independently at this stage so that they can be fairly compared. An assessment of any overlap will be undertaken once any projects are selected for implementation.

8 Funding Sources

There are a variety of charitable grants for Churches undertaking works and a comprehensive list of available grants is available at:

https://www.parishresources.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Charitable-Grants-for-Churches-Nov-2019.pdf

9 Faculty Requirements

It must be noted that all works intended to be undertaken should be discussed with the DAC at the Diocese.

Minor works can be undertaken without the need for consultation and would include changing of light bulbs within existing fittings, repair and maintenance works to heating and electrical systems and repairs to the building which do not affect the historic fabric.

Major works which can be undertaken without a faculty but must be consulted on with permission sought from the Archdeacon through the DAC. This includes works of adaptation (but not substantial addition or replacement) of heating and electrical systems and also the replacement of existing boilers so long at the same pipe work, fuel source and flues are used, It can also be used to replace heating controls.

All other works will be subject to a full faculty.

Works which affect the external appearance of the church will also require planning permission (but not listed building consent) from the local authority and this will be required for items such as PV installations,

10 Limitations

The recommendations contained in this Report represent ESOS Energy's professional opinions, based upon the information listed in the Report, exercising the duty of care required of an experienced Sustainability Consultant.

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