



Hamstreet Sports Pavilion Kent



Project Overview

In 2018, Hamstreet & District Sports and Leisure Association received a grant from the British Airways Carbon Fund for the installation of roof mounted solar PV on the community's sports pavilion. The Association is 100% volunteer led and the pavilion is extensively used by a wide variety of groups. It is also the venue of a number of key community events such as the village fair and annual firework night.

Project Summary

Technologies

10.45kWp

Grant Value

£15,850

Community Benefit

£2,222 per annum

Project Details

Hamstreet & District Sports & Leisure Association (HDSLAs) is a charitable organisation that provides the local community with much needed facilities for sport and leisure activities, both indoor and outdoor.

HDSLAs's single biggest expense was electricity consumption at its pavilion. They were successful in applying to the British Airways Carbon Fund for the installation of a solar PV system which have led to substantial reduction in their running costs. Any surplus electricity generated by the panels is also used to heat hot water for the pavilion thus providing further savings for HDSLAs.

The Pavilion is a focal point for the local community and has a wide variety of uses. It provides facilities for a number of sports clubs such as football, netball and cricket and is accessed by people of all ages. In addition it provides a venue for community events and fairs as well as being available for private hire.



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Social Impact:

The financial savings will reduce the energy costs of the pavilion which will enable them to subsidise use of the facilities thus helping to support vulnerable local groups who want to access the facilities. The pavilion is used by 11,500 people annually therefore the panels are a great educational tool about sustainable energy.



"The panels have now been providing us with electricity for 8 months and the difference it has made to our electricity bills has been unbelievable. This will enable us to spend money on other community projects such as the introduction of permanent seating around the field for the community to use.

HDSLAs would like to thank The British Airways Carbon Trust and Pure Leapfrog for awarding us the grant which will help our community for a number of years to come". Mark Taylor, Treasurer

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