

IGT_FOI_08_6937 British Gas and Communal Energy

I'd like all current figure work that compares communal heating/water energy usage with [current and new] individual boilers in THH blocks, especially calculations connected to the current 'soft project work'. If there are no calculations whatsoever of this type, then that needs to be stated, and, of course, that poses immediate and central questions about the factual basis of this 'project'.

I confirm THH Sustainable Working Group (SWG) have met to discuss communal boilers amongst other Sustainable Strategies proposed for LBTH/THH. A list of worst performing Communal Boilers was issued by our Leasehold Section and Engineers for the SWG to review and consider how best to reducing their maintenance and energy costs. British Gas had their engineer's inspect the boilers and produce reports for THH review. Attached are the reports to the following Boilers:

Elland House/ Chedall Hall
Kiln, Oast Court
Campbell Road 3
Grindall House
Rhodeswell Road
Fairfoot Road
Burwell Walk

THH Engineering Planned Maintenance programme consider efficiencies of communal boilers over individual boilers on a block by block basis. Attached is a **THH Engineering Services Option Appraisal for 1-20 Shakelton House** that provides typical considerations THH make for such proposals.

Options	Works	Total £	£ Over 20 Yrs inc Gas
1	Renewable energy Enhanced Communal Heating & HWS Works	192,840	394,840
2	Renewable energy Enhanced Communal Heating (No Solar HWS)	111,850	324,650
3	Individual Gas fired Central Heating	322,464	962,460

From the options above, THH will seek to carry out option 2 as it is the cheapest and most efficient solution for this block. THH Engineers will make similar considerations when assess our other communal boilers.

I'd like all other papers/minutes connected with the talks between THH/LBTH and British Gas concerning boiler renewal. I'm not going accept 'commercially sensitive' as an excuse, since these are decisions that residents will pay for and therefore [see the 'exclusion' above] need to be involved in.

[Please see attached documents](#)