

# Carbon Trust Options Appraisal for building decarbonisation: Summary of results

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Air tightness (ACH @ ambient pressure)

Radiators / emitters

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Summary of current building

# Mid Floor Flat 216 Coldharbour Lane

Domestic	1 Units		
Floorspace (m2)	35		
EPC Rating	DE		
Space heating consumption (kWh)	2,601		
Cooling consumption (kWh)	0		
Water heating consumption (kWh)	613		
Other electricity use (kWh)	1,120		
Annual total fuel bill	£0		
Thermal Energy Demand Intensity (kWh per m2 pa)	74		
Energy Use Intensity (kWh per m2 pa)	124		
Age of construction	1991 - 1995		
Windows	Double glazed windows pre 2002		
Wall	Cavity as built		
Roof	Another dwelling above		
Floor	Another dwelling below		
Primary heating	Existing - electric room heaters		

Building regs airtightness (5 n50)

Existing electric



### **Description of Options for Appraisal**

#### Thermal fabric

This small 1990s flat mid-floor has a relatively low level of thermal demand due to the favourable form factor, with insulated cavity walls and double glazing. Therefore, no additional fabric measures were modelled for this dwelling.

#### Energy systems

The flat already has electric room heaters. Three alternative electric heating systems were modelled in scenarios 2 - 4 as described in the table below.

# Summary of options appraisal measures, costs & CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

	Existing fabric with new electric room heaters	Existing fabric and infra-red panel heaters	Existing fabric with internal ASHP and integrated cylinder	Existing fabric with smart storage heaters
HVAC system	2kW New electric room heaters, 0, 0, New electric immersion heater, Hot water cylinder and associated pipework , 0	2kW New infra-red panel heaters , 0, 0, New electric immersion heater, Hot water cylinder and associated pipework	2kW 2.8kW max internal ducted ASHP (integrated cylinder) , 0, 0, hot water from main system (electric), 0	2kW New smart high heat retention storage heaters, 0, 0, New electric immersion heater, Hot water cylinder and associated pipework
	£2,338	£2,530	£5,550	£3,490
Heat emitter and distribution	0, 0	0, 0	New in flat wet heating distribution pipework, New - Double panel double convector radiators	0, 0
	£0	£0	£1,025	£0
Thermal fabric measures installed				
	£0	£0	£0	£0
Air tightness	Natural ventilation , Building regs airtightness (5 n50)	Natural ventilation , Building regs airtightness (5 n50)	Natural ventilation , Building regs airtightness (5 n50)	Natural ventilation , Building regs airtightness (5 n50)
	£0	£0	£0	£0
	co 220	CO 530	05 550	C2 400
Clean Heat Grant	£2,336	£2,530	£5,550 £0	£3,490
Not CAPEY	£2.338	£2 530	£5 550	£3 490
	12,000	12,000	20,000	23,490
Electricity tariff	Treasury Green Book Central Domestic Tariff	Treasury Green Book Central Domestic Tariff	Treasury Green Book Central Domestic Tariff	Domestic low overnight Tariff 01:30 - 06:30
Annual fuel bills	£914	£787	£507	£485
Annual OPEX (maintenance)	£0	£0	£148	£0
30 year total cost of ownership (excluding grant)	£33,043	£29,325	£33,153	£21,457
Annual tCO <sub>2</sub> emissions (2021)	1.2	1.1	0.7	1.3
Predicted annual tCO <sub>2</sub> emissions (2030)	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6
Predicted annual $tCO_2$ emissions (2050)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

### 30 year total costs of ownership



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#### CAPEX

CAPEX for the 4 options is relatively similar, although the internal ASHP in scenario 3 has the highest upfront cost due to the higher cost of the technology and also the need to install new pipework and radiators.

#### Fuel bills

Fuel bills are highest in the BAU scenario 2, the infra-red panel heaters provide heat more efficiently as they are heating objects rather than the volume of air in the room. In scenario 3, the ASHP offers a clear efficiency and cost benefit over direct electric. In scenario 4, the ability to pair HHR storage heaters with very low over-night tariffs provide the lowest overall fuel bills.

#### 30 year lifetime costs

Scenario 4 is modelled as having the lowest lifetime costs with similar fuel bills to scenario 3 but much lower CAPEX.

### Heat loss through thermal elements





# **Energy Consumption kWh pa**

# Heat demand and heating system efficiency

	Existing fabric with new electric room heaters	Existing fabric and infra-red panel heaters	Existing fabric with internal ASHP and integrated cylinder	Existing fabric with smart storage heaters
Space heating demand (kWh pa)	2,601	2,601	2,601	2,601
Space heating peak demand (kW)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Space heating peak demand per flat (kW)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Peak electricity load @ 6:00pm	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.3
Required flow temperatures °C	60	60	55	60
Space heating consumption (kWh pa)	2,601	2,001	1,040	2,812
Cooling consumption (kWh pa)	0	0	0	0
Water heating consumption(kWh pa)	613	613	245	613
Ventilation (kWh pa)	0	0	0	0
Lighting and auxiliary consumption (kWh pa)	1120	1120	1120	1120
Assumed heating system Seasonal Performance Factor (SPF)	100%	130%	250%	93%
Assumed distribution losses	0%	0%	0%	0%
Space heating Thermal Energy Demand Intensity (kwh per m2 pa)	74	74	74	74
Energy Use Intensity - all energy use (kWh per m2 pa)	124	107	69	130

System efficiency is highest in scenario 3. However, there are significant wider energy system benefits to the storage option in scenario 4, with no additional peak load on the electricity network.

# Retrofit package CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

tCO <sub>2</sub> in 2021	1	1	1	1
Predicted annual $tCO_2$ emissions (2030)	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.6
tCO <sup>2</sup> in 2050	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
tCO <sup>2</sup> cumulative 2021 - 2050	12	10	6	12
$tCO_2$ saved relative to BAU (30 year cumulative)	0	-2	-5	1
$\mathrm{CO}_2$ saving relative to baseline (30 year cumulative)	0%	14%	44%	-5%
Additional cost over BAU scenario (30 years)	£0	-£3,718	£110	-£11,585
${f \pounds}$ per tonne of CO $_2$ reduction (30 year cumulative)	NA	-£2,294	£21	£20,348

\* negative figures indicate a negative cost of carbon reduction. i.e. the packages of measures reduce 30 year costs and reduce CO2.

### 30 year predicted CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



### CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 2021 - 2051 (kgCO<sub>2</sub> pa)

#### CO<sub>2</sub> savings

As the existing heating system is electric, the CO<sub>2</sub> savings are relatively smaller than when replacing gas. However, the ASHP option would still reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions over 30 years by 44%

### Potential impact of Solar PV on all scenarios

	Existing fabric with new electric room heaters	Existing fabric and infra-red panel heaters	Existing fabric with internal ASHP and integrated cylinder	Existing fabric with smart storage heaters
Included in package? (Y/N)	N	Ν	Ν	Ν
System size kW Peak	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System generation kWh pa	0	0	0	0
Utilisation on site kWh pa	0	0	0	0
Utilisation on site kWh pa	0%	0%	0%	0%
Exported to grid kWh pa	0	0	0	0
Assumed system cost £	0	0	0	0
Net impact on fuel bills $\pounds$ pa	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

# Impact of Solar PV on Scenario 3 - typical summer and winter days

