

About the company

The challenges of climate change and creating a sustainable society are enormous, yet bring with them a great opportunity to work together. Renewable energy is part of the solution and there is a growing movement of communities that have come together to make local renewable energy supplies a reality.

Kennet Community Energy Limited (**KCEL**) is a not-for-profit Community Benefit Society (BenCom) developing renewable energy resources for the benefit of the communities in north and east Wiltshire. Our vision is to continue to develop **KCEL** as a sustainable community-owned enterprise making a major contribution to local, renewable energy generation with Members' investment funding a growing portfolio of projects.

Renewable energy projects

So far we have only installed solar PV systems but we do not rule out deploying other technologies such as biomass boilers, anaerobic digesters and small hydroelectric schemes.

Our first three development projects have been solar PV deployments at the Wadworth Brewery Visitor Centre in Devizes, at Devizes School and at Trowbridge Civic Centre.

However due to Government changes in the solar PV Feed in Tariff rates, and the tax position under the Enterprise Investment Scheme, **KCEL** is not currently planning any new projects, but this is constantly under review.



Community Fund



The Community Fund will be established to invest in new, low carbon projects in north and east Wiltshire. It will derive the bulk of its funding from surplus income generated from the activities of **KCEL**. It will aim to help to alleviate fuel poverty locally and to initiate projects that focus upon reducing carbon emissions. These projects would not only be in the field of clean energy generation, but could also encompass other spheres of local activity such as housing insulation, transport and food production.

KCEL Membership

KCEL is a not-for-profit social enterprise, constituted for the Benefit of the Community, and membership is open throughout specific fund raising periods. We are not currently seeking new Members due to the changes made by Government discussed above.

