Lancaster West Retrofit Options Appraisal

Indicative cost estimates and business case

May 21st 2020



Key objectives

- Address tenant issues with damp, mould, cold, overheating
- Achieve as close to zero carbon as possible
- Optimise value for money with £59m budget

Summary of work so far

- Initial assessment based on EPCs, energy data (where available), planned maintenance and walkaround
- Outline Energiesprong business cases
- Heat loss calculations based on available data
- Liaised with Arup on heat network feasibility
- Design competition for Treadgold House with BowTie Construction

Cost estimate assumptions

- Cost estimates are based on limited information on the buildings and the kind of solution that will be needed
- The figures should be treated as indicative and may vary considerably after detailed design and survey work has taken place

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- Cost information from several sources has been used, including:
 - Spon's
 - Parity Projects' CROHM tool
 - BEIS "What Does It Cost to Retrofit Homes?" report
 - Energiesprong UK team experience
 - Sense check with Carbon Trust experience

Approach to choosing packages

- Tenant priorities
- Technical viability and avoiding unintended consequences
- Energy/carbon saving

Exclusions based on:

- Technical viability
- Disruption to tenants (e.g. major internal works)
- Heritage (Talbot Grove House/Morland House)
- Less established technology (lack of data about effectiveness or technical viability)

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| | Walls | Thermal bridging | Air-tightness | Glazing | Roof | Ventilation | Heating | Solar |
|---|--|------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--------------------------------|
| 0 Current situation | Unclear if cavity, probably not insulated | Very high due to concrete slabs | Very poor, mostly due to windows | Very poor, single glazed. Cold in winter, overheats with direct sunlight. | Uninsulated? Causes overheating for top floor flats in summer, cold in winter. | Poor as evidenced by damp and mould. Kitchen/bathroom extract fans? | Temporary gas boiler feeding heat network. Poor network efficiency and poor controls internally leading to overheating. | None |
| 1 Essentials | | | Basic draught proofing in addition to improved glazing. | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV | Heat pump-based heat network | |
| 2 High performance envelope | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Heat pump-based heat network | |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Heat pump-based heat network | Solar PV + Communal storage |



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Per property results

| | Annual CO ₂ emissions (tonnes) | | Heat demand (kWh/m²) Ground – Mid – Top Floor | | Tenant cost (heating and electricity) |
|---|--|-----|--|-----|---|
| 0 Current situation | 5.1* | 168 | 133 | 215 | £915-1,085** |
| 1 Essentials | 1.7 | 103 | 67 | 80 | £770 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.4 | 39 | 30 | 43 | £680 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.5 | 39 | 30 | 43 | £460 |

- MEEF carbon emissions factors used
 - Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
 - Electricity: 0.351 kg/kWh

*Includes system inefficiencies leading to approx. double the heat needed being delivered into the system

**Not currently paying for metered heat. Assumption based on a gas boiler and typical levels of underheating seen in hard-to-heat properties.





Costs per property, excluding heat network costs

| | Upfront cost | Heat network cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | Highest | £0 | n/a | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £20,000 | Medium | £20,000 | £0* | £200§ |
| 2 High performance envelope | £32,000 | Low | £26,000 | £0* | £290§ |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £40,000 | Lowest** | £32,000 | £350*** | £290 [§] |

Heat network cost is unknown at this stage, but • it will be linked to heat demand; the lower the heat demand, the lower the network costs (installation and running costs).

- *Assumes any RHI received feeds into heat network business case
- **Assumes PV generation feeds into heat pump to reduce running costs
- ***Smart Export Guarantee for solar PV
- [§] Because the costs don't include the heating system, the cost per tonne is lower than for blocks where the heating system is included in the cost.



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Risks

| | Highest risk | Impact | Likelihood |
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| 1 Essentials | Does not address severe thermal bridging from concrete slabs | Cold spots, damp and mould will continue to be an issue | High |
| 2 High performance envelope | Tenants may not accept external wall insulation | Default option becomes Package 1 with high risk of damp and mould issues. Higher bills for tenants | High |
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- Can the thermal bridging of the concrete slabs be overcome without full external wall insulation?
- Is internal wall insulation an option (since radiators are likely to be replaced anyway)?
- Will improved glazing and low-temperature heat network resolve the overheating issues, or is external shading also needed?





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Per property results

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|---|--|-----|--|-----|-------------|
| 0 Current situation | 3.6* | 153 | 118 | 197 | £1,100** |
| 1 Essentials | 1.9 | 112 | 78 | 89 | £790 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.4 | 49 | 27 | 39 | £690 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.6 | 49 | 27 | 39 | £460 |

- MEEF carbon emissions factors used
 - Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
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*Based on standard gas boiler - no other information available on heat network costs/kWh. **Based on a gas boiler and typical levels of underheating seen in hard-to-heat properties.







Costs per property, excluding heat network costs

| | Upfront cost | Heat network cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | Highest | £0 | £0* | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £18,000 | Medium | £12,000 | £0* | £360§ |
| 2 High performance envelope | £27,000 | Low | £15,000 | £0* | £420§ |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £35,000 | Lowest** | £21,000 | £350*** | £390§ |

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| | Annual CO ₂ emissions (tonnes) | Heat demand (kWh/m ²) | | | Tenant cost |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| | | Ground | Mid | Тор | |
| 0 Current situation | 4.3* | 125 | | 168 | £1,250 |
| 1 Essentials | 1.8 | 94 | | 69 | £780 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.4 | 41 | | 29 | £690 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.6 | 41 | | 29 | £460 |

Per property results, based on heating via heat network

- MEEF carbon emissions factors used
 - Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
 - Electricity: 0.351 kg/kWh

*Based on a gas boiler and typical levels of underheating seen in hard-to-heat properties.





Costs per property, based on heating via heat network.

| | Upfront cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | £0 | £0 | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £21,000 | £17,000 | £0* | £290§ |
| 2 High performance envelope | £34,000 | £20,000 | £0* | £400§ |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £42,000 | £26,000 | £350** | £380§ |

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**Smart Export Guarantee for solar PV

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- Is internal wall insulation an option (since radiators are likely to be replaced anyway)?
- Will improved glazing and low-temperature heat network resolve the overheating issues, or is external shading also needed?



- Treadgold House is in the Energiesprong Mustbe0 design competition and has had detailed surveys from BowTie Construction.
- We have not had access to this survey data yet, so the following analysis is based on the same limited data as the other blocks.
- BowTie costings likely to be based on different assumptions and may include elements that we have not considered.





| | Walls | Thermal bridging | Air-tightness | Glazing | Roof | Ventilation | Heating | Solar |
|---|---|---|---|---|-----------------|--|--|--------------------------------|
| 0 Current situation | Cavity wall, unknown if insulated | Potentially through balconies and concrete slabs | Reasonable considering double glazed windows | Double glazed | Uninsulated? | Kitchen/bathroom extract fans at most but little evidence for it from photos/Street View | Individual gas boilers | None |
| 1 Essentials | | | Basic draught proofing | | Super-insulated | Additional MEV | Individual/communal heat pump or heat network connection | |
| 2 High performance envelope | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Individual/communal heat pump or heat network connection | |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Individual/communal heat pump or heat network connection | Solar PV + Communal storage |



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Per property results, based on heating via individual heat pumps

| | Annual CO ₂ emissions (tonnes) | Heat demand (kWh/m²) | | | Tenant cost |
|---|---|----------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| | | Ground | Mid | Тор | |
| 0 Current situation | 2.8* | 129 | 95 | 174 | £945 |
| 1 Essentials | 1.8 | 107 | 72 | 83 | £755 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.4 | 45 | 23 | 35 | £670 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.6 | 45 | 23 | 35 | £457 |

- MEEF carbon emissions factors used
 - Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
 - Electricity: 0.351 kg/kWh

*Based on a gas boiler and typical levels of underheating seen in hard-to-heat properties.





Costs per property, based on heating via individual heat pumps.

| | Upfront cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | £0 | £0 | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £26,000 | £7,000 | £6,000* | £720 |
| 2 High performance envelope | £49,000 | £10,000 | £6,000* | £1,000 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £57,000 | £15,000 | £6,000* | £780 |

*If connecting to a heat network, RHI income will divert to the heat network owner/operator.





Risks

| | Highest risk | Impact | Likelihood |
|---|--|--|------------|
| 1 Essentials | Thermal bridging issues causing damp and mould | Cold spots, damp and mould | Medium |
| 2 High performance envelope | Traditional procurement approach results in energy performance gap | Damp and mould if thermal bridges not addressed Higher bills for tenants Higher maintenance costs More disruption for remediation works | High |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | Higher cost | Worse business case | Medium |



Key questions for multidisciplinary design team:

- Thermal bridging
 - Balconies
 - Around windows if no EWI
- Ventilation strategy









| | Walls | Thermal bridging | Air-tightness | Glazing | Roof | Ventilation | Heating | Solar |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0 Current situation | Solid wall, uninsulated | Potentially through balconies | Poor due to windows | Single glazed, sash | Room in roof, uncertain age, potentially no or little insulation | Unknown | Gas based heat network | None |
| 1 Essentials | | | Basic draught proofing | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Max insulation possible with existing structure | Additional MEV | Heat pump-based heat network | |
| 2 High performance envelope | | | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Potentially new super-insulated roof | Additional MEV/MVHR | Heat pump-based heat network | |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | | | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Potentially new super-insulated roof | Additional MEV/MVHR | Heat pump-based heat network | Solar PV + Communal storage |



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Per property results, based on heating via a communal heat pump

| | Annual CO ₂ emissions (tonnes) | Heat demand (kWh/m²) | | | Tenant cost |
|---|---|----------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| | | Ground | Mid | Тор | |
| 0 Current situation | 3.3* | 148 | 106 | 193 | £1,000 |
| 1 Essentials | 1.9 | 123 | 72 | 109 | £790 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.7 | 93 | 71 | 82 | £720 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 1.2 | 93 | 71 | 82 | £460 |

• MEEF carbon emissions factors used

- Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
- Electricity: 0.351 kg/kWh



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Costs per property, based on heating via a communal heat pump.

| | Upfront cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | £0 | £0 | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £18,000 | £10,000 | £0* | £430 [§] |
| 2 High performance envelope | £28,000 | £11,000 | £0* | £580 [§] |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £33,000 | £14,000 | £120** | £530 [§] |

* Assumes any RHI received feeds into heat network business case

**Smart Export Guarantee for solar PV

[§] Because the costs don't include the heating system, the cost per tonne is lower than for blocks where the heating system is included in the cost.





Risks

| | Highest risk | Impact | Likelihood |
|---|--|--|------------|
| 1 Essentials | Uninsulated solid walls are major heat loss | Cold, damp and mouldOverheating in summer | High |
| 2 High performance envelope | May not be possible to insulate roof without severe disruption | Severe disruption to tenants Default to lower performance resulting in higher bills Impact on heating strategy given higher heat demand | High |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | Traditional procurement approach results in energy performance gap | Damp and mould if thermal bridges not addressed Higher bills for tenants Higher maintenance costs More disruption for remediation works | High |



Key questions for multidisciplinary design team:

- What is the potential for roof insulation or new roof?
- Thermal bridging, ventilation and overheating strategies
- How does each option fit with heat network feasibility?







| | Walls | Thermal bridging | Air-tightness | Glazing | Roof | Ventilation | Heating | Solar |
|---|---|--------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0 Current situation | Insulated cavity | None obvious | Reasonable for the building age | Double glazed | Pitched, insulated | Trickle vents, possibly blocked. Could be damp and mould issues in bathroom | Gas boilers | None |
| 1 Essentials | | | Basic draught proofing in addition to improved glazing. | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Increase loft insulation | Additional MEV | Individual heat pumps | |
| 2 High performance envelope | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Individual heat pumps | |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | High performance External insulation | New external envelope | Best practice | High performance double / triple + new external doors | Super-insulated | Additional MEV/MVHR | Individual heat pumps | Solar PV + Communal storage |



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Per property results, based on heating via individual heat pumps

| | Annual CO ₂ emissions (tonnes) | Heat demand (kWh/m ²) | | | Tenant cost |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| | | Ground | Mid | Тор | |
| 0 Current situation | 1.8* | 112 | 69 | 81 | £785 |
| 1 Essentials | 1.4 | 86 | 51 | 60 | £725 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.2 | 31 | 18 | 28 | £660 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.6 | 31 | 18 | 28 | £460 |

- MEEF carbon emissions factors used
 - Gas: 0.184 kg/kWh
 - Electricity: 0.351 kg/kWh

*Based on a gas boiler and typical levels of underheating seen in hard-to-heat properties.





Costs per property, based on heating via individual heat pumps.

| | Upfront cost | Maximum MEEF finance | Additional income/savings (over 30 years) | Cost per tonne of CO ₂ saved (over 30 years) |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| 0 Current situation | £0 | £0 | £0 | n/a |
| 1 Essentials | £22,000 | £3,000 | £4,000* | £1,200 |
| 2 High performance envelope | £34,000 | £4,000 | £5,000* | £1,300 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £40,000 | £8,000 | £9,000** | £900 |

*Renewable Heat Incentive for heat pump **RHI + Smart Export Guarantee for solar PV





Risks

| | Highest risk | Impact | Likelihood |
|---|---|----------------------------|------------|
| 1 Essentials | Existing cavity wall insulation may be saturated/patchy | Cold spots, damp and mould | Medium |
| 2 High performance envelope | High cost for relatively low energy saving | Poor value for money | Medium |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | High cost for relatively low energy saving | Poor value for money | Medium |



Key questions for multidisciplinary design team:

- Is the cavity wall insulation performing as expected?
- Thermal bridging, ventilation strategies







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|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| | | Ground | Mid | Тор | |
| 0 Current situation | 2.2* | 112 | 68 | 80 | £820 |
| 1 Essentials | 1.4 | 85 | 50 | 60 | £720 |
| 2 High performance envelope | 1.2 | 32 | 19 | 28 | £660 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | 0.6 | 32 | 19 | 28 | £460 |

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Per property results, based on heating via individual heat pumps

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| 1 Essentials | £23,000 | £20,000 | £11,000* | £290 |
| 2 High performance envelope | £34,000 | £24,000 | £11,000* | £570 |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | £41,000 | £29,000 | £11,000** | £560 |

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Risks

| | Highest risk | Impact | Likelihood |
|---|--|--|------------|
| 1 Essentials | Room in roof – potentially difficult to insulate | Cold, damp and mouldHigher energy bills | Medium |
| 2 High performance envelope | Staggered terraces presents challenge for EWI, higher risk of thermal bridging | Higher costHigher risk of performance gap | Medium |
| 3 High performance + solar PV & storage | Staggered terraces presents challenge for EWI, higher risk of thermal bridging | • Higher cost | Medium |



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- Is the cavity wall insulation performing as expected?
- Thermal bridging, ventilation strategies
- What are the options for room-in-roof?



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Total Indicative Cost*



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*Excludes heat network costs for blocks currently connected to networks. Income from RHI excluded where it would feed into heat network.

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Indicative Upfront Cost, excluding potential income

| Block | Option 1 | Option 2 | Optio | n 3 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Excluding heat network costs | | | | |
| Walkways | | £20,000 | £32,000 | £40,000 |
| East Side | | £18,000 | £27,000 | £35,000 |
| Camelford Ct | | £21,000 | £34,000 | £42,000 |
| Talbot Grove & Moreland Hse | | £18,000 | £28,000 | £33,000 |
| | | | | |
| Including boiler replacement costs* | | | | |
| Treadgold House | | £26,000 | £49,000 | £57,000 |
| Camborne Mews | | £22,000 | £34,000 | £40,000 |
| Verity Cl (flats) | | £22,000 | £34,000 | £40,000 |
| Verity Cl (houses) | | £23,000 | £34,000 | £41,000 |

*Figures do not include income from RHI and Smart Export Guarantee



Indicative Cost per tonne of carbon saved

| Block | Option 1 | Option 2 | C | Option 3 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|--------|----------|
| Excluding heat network costs* | | | | |
| Walkways | £2 | .00 | £290 | £290 |
| East Side | £3 | 60 | £420 | £390 |
| Camelford Ct | £2 | .90 | £400 | £380 |
| Talbot Grove & Moreland Hse | £4 | - <mark>30</mark> | £580 | £530 |
| Including boiler replacement costs** | | | | |
| Treadgold House | f7 | 20 | £1,000 | £780 |
| Camborne Mews | £1,2 | .00 | £1,300 | £900 |
| Verity Cl (flats) | £8 | 20 | £1,100 | £780 |
| Verity Cl (houses) | £2 | .90 | £570 | £560 |

*These figures include the benefit of reduced carbon from replacement heating but not the installation costs as these will be included in the heat network replacement costs. The figures should not be directly compared with those on individual heating systems where the cost of replacing the boiler is included.

**Figures include income from RHI and Smart Export Guarantee







Summary and recommendations

- The options presented provide substantial energy efficiency improvements to all properties
- Some options have a high risk of creating unintended consequences, potentially undermining the purpose of the improvements
- These issues require further investigation by the multidisciplinary design and M&E teams
- Each option should be eligible for MEEF finance, repaid over 18 years
- Only the performance-guaranteed option has the potential to offset upfront cost and ongoing MEEF payments
 - This option is unlikely to be suitable for all blocks

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• Each option should be considered alongside the heat network feasibility study, as higher performance could lead to lower network costs, resulting in a better overall business case

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Data quality recommendations

- 1. Obtain current heating charges for tenants/leaseholders on heat networks
- 2. Take monthly meter readings for all accessible meters (see template started by Phoebe)
- 3. Obtain bills for as many tenants as possible, ideally:
 - a) Multiple from top, mid and ground floor for each block
 - b) At least 1 year, but the more the better
 - c) Get a signed letter of authority if paper/electronic bills not available and phone energy suppliers (see template provided). Note the letter of authority authorises a named person.
- 4. Install energy, temperature and humidity monitoring in as many properties as possible. Winter monitoring is most useful, but summer monitoring gives data on overheating and hot water use.



