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Green Team hosts workshop on going solar

Vital information on how, when and why organisations should consider solar power was discussed at a workshop run by the Staffordshire Housing Group which attracted staff from local authorities and other housing organisations.

Staffordshire Housing has begun work to fit homes under its ownership with photo voltaic (often known as solar) panels.

Their "Green Team" passed on their knowledge at a workshop – Feed-in Tariff in Reality - on Friday, 16 September.

Learning points included:

- Is your stock suitable?
- Product Specification
- Programming work
- Claiming FiTs revenue, monitoring and meter reading
- Lessons learned from the Staffordshire Housing scheme.

The day long workshop took place at Staffordshire Housing Group's headquarters, London Road, Stoke.

Energy consultants Axis Design and other guest speakers were also on hand to deliver sessions and offer advice.

Emma Roberts, (title), said: "The workshop was aimed at organisations with a group of properties who want to plan their own photo voltaic installation projects.

"We brought together a panel of experts from the industry including Will Turner of Good Energy, the only electricity supplier in the UK using 100 per cent renewable energy.

“There are clear benefits for all from going solar – including savings on household bills, the production of green energy and reduction of harmful carbon dioxide.”

Already, around 200 North Staffordshire households have benefitted from Staffordshire Housing’s solar installation scheme.

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Notes to Editors:

Staffordshire Housing Group is a housing association committed to building a better future for local communities. Established in 1984, SHA provide a huge range of tenant services including maintenance, tenancy support, estate management and gardening, as well as essential guidance on income management, money advice and benefits assessments. They are committed to improving live in Staffordshire through regeneration, supported housing, older people’s villages, key worker homes and a rolling programme of home improvements. Their subsidiary company, Blue Mountain Housing Association, also work closely with refugee and local BME communities to provide essential support with healthcare, education, training and employment as well as access to quality housing.