

## **Energy Plus Academy Think Tank on Retrofit Skills**

**When and where?** 28<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022, Trafford Hall, near Chester

**Why should you attend?** To learn from experts how we can deliver retrofit in social housing, share experiences, and take away practical solutions

**Who should attend?** Staff from social landlords, policymakers, architects, training providers, and representatives from green building organisations

**Booking form:**

I am writing to invite you to an important Energy Plus Academy Think Tank on Retrofit Skills, on 28<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022, at Trafford Hall, Chester. Trafford Hall is a Grade 2\* listed Georgian mansion house, retrofitted to a very high environmental standard.

This workshop, sponsored by Regenda Housing Group, will bring together energy saving experts, architects, training providers, construction companies, and social landlords, to discuss how retrofit can and must be done, and how we can tackle the skills, capacity, and knowledge and information gaps. We know that skills are a key area where a breakthrough must be made in order to be able to retrofit to scale, and to a high standard. See the outline programme attached for more details and timings.

This participatory, knowledge exchange event will allow participants to learn from experts how we can deliver retrofit in social housing, share their experiences, and develop practical solutions to take back to their organisation. It will also give experts and training providers an opportunity to understand what the sector needs in order to upskill the workforce, to deliver on the energy saving agenda.

The cost to attend is £240, which includes meals, resources, and en-suite overnight accommodation, which will be provided on-site. There is a discount for second or further participants from the same organisations. For smaller housing associations (under 5000 homes), the cost is £150, and for TMOs and small, local community organisations the cost is £100. If it is not possible to attend for the full event, you can come for the day on the 1<sup>st</sup> March at reduced cost. If cost is a barrier to attending this event, please do contact us as we may be able to help.

We strongly welcome and encourage the participation from people with Black, Asian, and other Ethnic Minority backgrounds and from other underrepresented groups. The training spaces are fully accessible and accessible accommodation is available on site. Please contact us if you have any questions or would like to discuss any requirements. We will follow all COVID protocols at Trafford Hall, and have restricted numbers to 30 to ensure social distancing is possible. We ask all participants to take a lateral flow test ahead of attending.

Please book your place as soon as possible as spaces are limited:

If you have any questions, please contact myself or Ellie Benton: [e.benton@lse.ac.uk](mailto:e.benton@lse.ac.uk)

Really looking forward to hearing from you.

With very best wishes,  
Anne Power