
Sava helps Derby Homes to secure £800,000 of funding

This week Derby Homes was successful in gaining funding as part of a consortium with the Midlands Energy Hub. This money will be used to improve the homes of 80 residents.

Derby Homes is responsible for the management of and investment in, Derby City Council's social housing stock of 12,757 homes. Ash Redfern, Senior Maintenance Surveyor at Derby Homes said:

“Sava provided a vital role in helping us analyse and extract our space heating requirements. Without this we might not have been able to secure the amount of funding we did. We are delighted that we will be able to improve the homes of 80 residents. The difference this will be able to make is immeasurable. It will provide warmer homes which are cheaper to run. We are also trialling installing Integrated solar panels as part of roof covering replacement programmes in Derby and hope to roll this out in the future.

We are looking forward to working with Sava going forward to assist with future bid funding”

Sava provide software, consultancy, and support services to over 200 housing providers who look after 3 million homes in the social housing sector. Sava provided specific support on the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund wave 1 funding to a number of these customers and is looking forward to assisting more providers apply for wave 2 funding.

Andy Flook, Business Development Director for Sava says:

“We are delighted to have helped support Derby Homes in securing the single largest successful bid application as part of the wave one SHDF allocation. We look forward to continue supporting both Derby Homes and all of our customers on future funding applications to provide better, more energy efficient homes across the UK and to assist housing providers on their journey to carbon zero”

The Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund (SHDF) will allow the upgrading of a significant amount of social housing stock to an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating of C. Registered providers of social housing (including private and local authority providers) were able to apply for funding from a pool of up to £160,000,000 available in wave 1.

Wave 1 projects will follow a ‘worst first, fabric first, lowest regrets’ approach to improving the energy performance of social housing by 31 January 2023.

Lisa Blake, Technical Manager at Sava commented:

“We have a team of consultants here at Sava who are able to provide a range of services to housing providers looking to reach carbon zero.

We were able to support a number of our customers in their SHDF bidding by deriving the space heating demand metric required for the bid from the outputs of Intelligent Energy. We

were also able to provide a summary from Improvement Plans created in Intelligent Energy with the various required metrics and results in a format that enabled customers to easily complete the bidding forms.”

For over 25 years Sava has been providing energy analysis software and consultancy support to over 200 housing providers, managing over 3 million assets. Previously known as National Energy Services, Sava introduced the UK's first energy rating scheme in the mid-1980s and was instrumental in developing the current regime of SAP and EPC's. Sava Intelligent Energy offers in-depth calculation, analysis and improvement planning for social housing providers and assists them with their Carbon Zero planning.

You can find out more about Sava and Intelligent Energy here:

<https://sava.co.uk/software/intelligent-energy/>.