

# RE:FIT - background

- framework contract (open to entire public sectorUK wide)
- overseen by the GLA
- EPC retrofitting of public buildings to save energy (& water)
- politically endorsed (central gov, DECC, DfE, etc)
- LCC have conducted 3 'phases'







## benefits of using RE:FIT

- reduced procurement lead times/costs
- spending to save
- availability of various financing routes (PWLB, Salix, internal reserves, etc)
- flexible payback periods
- buying-in expertise
- transfer of risk contractually for achieving savings
- more cost efficient than single technology procurements
- added value (environmental policy/strategy, CRC,









# application of RE:FIT improvements





#### 1. selection of buildings

- process of elimination based on:
  - asset life
  - higher energy consumption
  - minimal energy efficiency works already undertaken
  - availability of site to undertake works
  - levels of recent investment
  - other planned works

#### 2. key project challenges

- building issues (asbestos, broken plant, protected species, unforeseen changes, etc)
- site engagement
- ensuring fair repayment mechanism





#### common measures

boiler optimisation/replacement

voltage optimisation

air handling unit upgrades

BMS controls

insulation

lighting upgrades

radiator controls

air source heat pumps

pool covers & controls

microCHP

microgeneration













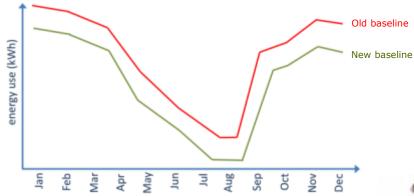




# RE:FIT achievements – past & present

scheme	capital	no. of sites	min. % saving	% saving offered	max. payback period	payback period offered
LCC (phase 1)	£1m	9	23%	27%	7 years	5.9 years
LCC (phase 2)	£1m	7	19.5%	21%	7 years	5.3 years
Leeds schools	£500K- £800K	9	20%	? %	7 years	? years







# example of a financial return

	Energy conservation measures (materials & labour combined across portfolio)	£725,000
A. Capital costs (£)	2. Project prelims across all buildings in portfolio	£10,000
	3. Internal council fees (project management, CDM, site supervision, etc.)	£85,000
	4. Total investment grade proposal costs	£30,000
	5. Cost of finance for prudential borrowing	£150,000
	6. Total capital cost [=sum(A1:A5)]	£1,000,000
B. Annual charges/ revenue (£)	1. Measurement & verification costs across portfolio	£25,000
	2. Maintenance (costs and/or savings)	£7,500
	3. Revenue (e.g. revenue from microgeneration)	-£5,000
	4. Total annual charges/revenue [=sum(B1:B3)]	£27,500
	£190,000	
	£162,500	
	6.2 years	
	21.7%	
G.	113.8%	

H. Overall baseline costs (£)	£750,000	
I. Gas unit rate	3.785p	
J. Electricity unit rate	9.761p	
K. Guaranteed gas savings	2,774,120 kWh	
L. Guaranteed electricity savings	870,810 kWh	
M. Guaranteed gas cost savings	£105,000	
N. Guaranteed electricity cost savings	£85,000	
O. Overall guaranteed energy cost savings	£190,000	
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### who needs to be in the project team?

project management
 procurement
 corporate property (asset) management
 property maintenance
 energy unit (or team)
 corporate finance
 site representation

**\***Leeds

project sponsor

# key lessons learnt

for a successful project, you must:

- create a multi-disciplinary team
- identify dedicated internal resources
- choose buildings carefully
- engage site managers from the outset
- make sure building information is detailed
- don't be overly ambitious
- proactively manage the process
- remember that RE:FIT projects are not easy!
- use available help





# support available from Local Partnerships





# questions



