Reducing Energy Demand in Bradford

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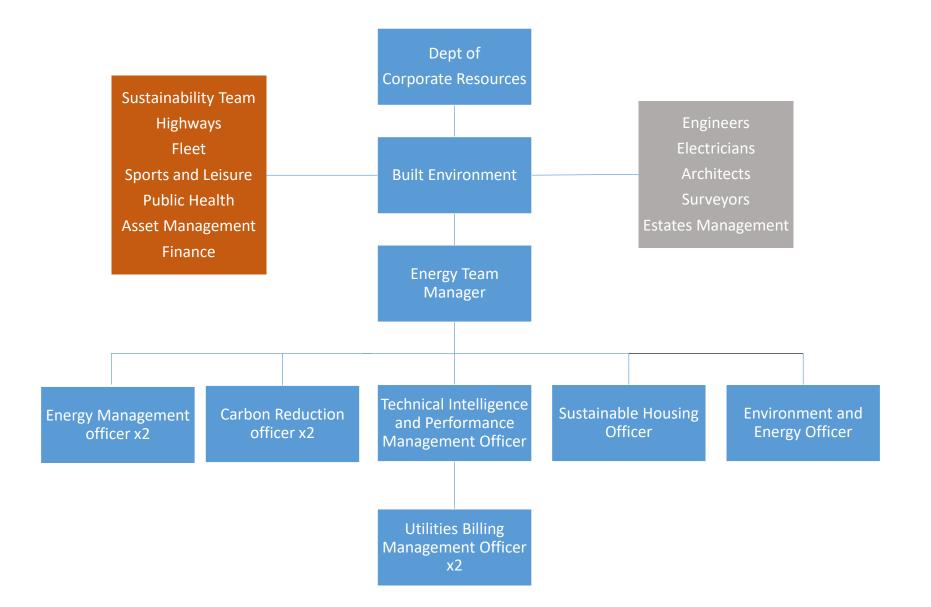


Introduction

- 150 Main buildings
- Influence 200 schools
- Hundreds of sports pavilions, small buildings and pieces of land
- BMDC has over 8,000 employees
- Wide variety of building types
- High level of listed and thermally inefficient buildings
- Disposal plan to bring in capital receipts



Structure and Energy Team



Energy Team Activities

Target – net-zero carbon by 2038 – 10% CO2 emission reductions pa

- Energy management BMDC buildings and estate
- Carbon reduction EPCs, DECs
- Utilities contracts and billing
- Provision of data
- Domestic housing retrofit LAD3, ECO4, ECO-Flex, GBIS, new UK government warm homes projects and Pilot programmes
- Renewable energy projects
- Electric vehicle charging points

Approach – Main Principles

The lowest carbon kwh is the one you never use

The cheapest kwh is the one you don't use



Approach - plans and people

Plans

- Heating plan signed off by council executive sets parameters
- Sustainable Design Guide must be adhered to in all new projects
- Projects budget for minor works of £500k plus each year
- Climate Action plan wider scope than just council

Approach - plans and people

People

- Energy Team Staff, Built Environment Colleagues and other departments – understand and use capabilities, experience/expertise
- Industry/commercial specialist knowledge and innovative solutions
- Customers listen to, act on issues, educate and inform
- Psychology of heating
- Making it enjoyable for people to deal with us

Approach – data and control

Data

- Monthly updates gas and electricity overall and individual building
- Monitor, identify issues, measure impacts of changes

Building Energy Management Systems

- **100 of our main buildings** Real time monitoring of temperatures in buildings reporting over a period of time
- Able to optimise heating and lighting plans for each building
- Replicate and measure impacts of potential solutions

Approach – Technology and Industry

Technology

- Work closely with companies (many local) to identify, test and trial solutions
- Be open to staff bringing in potential solutions
- Be open to companies bringing in potential solutions
- Look for low cost high impact solutions that can be rolled out across estate – value for money
- Be prepared to make mistakes



Approach – Best practice

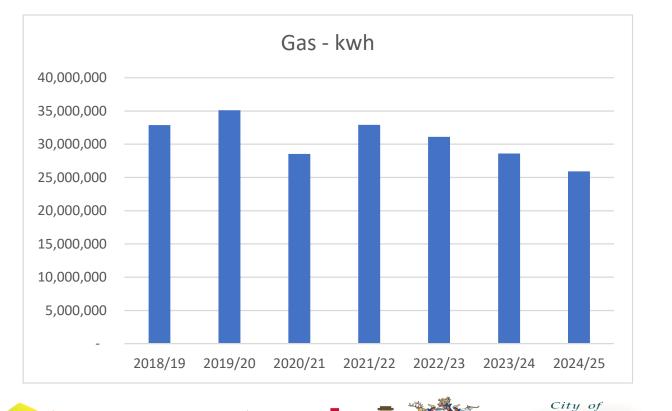
- Internal find out from teams what has been tried in the past build on success if it worked in the past use it again
- External regular communications with other councils, public sector organisations, trade bodies (REA), private sector, companies and individuals
- APSE annual event (very good) presentations and peer discussions
- APSE informal dinners, regional events and internal expertise
- Only useful if you do something with the knowledge

Actions - impacts

- Optimised heating/lighting plan for each building
- Sensors (movement, heat, noise, CO2) sports halls 40% reduction
- Selective lighting controls sports pitches 30-50% reduction
- Radiator additive (Delta-T) 10 to 30% reduction in gas usage
- Smart electric motors for air handling units 35% reduction
- Controllable LED lighting lighting levels set by specific areas 3-4 year paybacks – better lighting conditions for individuals

Impacts – Gas usage

- Since peak in 2019/20 reduction of 18.5% (forecast 26.2%)
- Since 2021/22 reduction of 13.1% (forecast 21.1%)



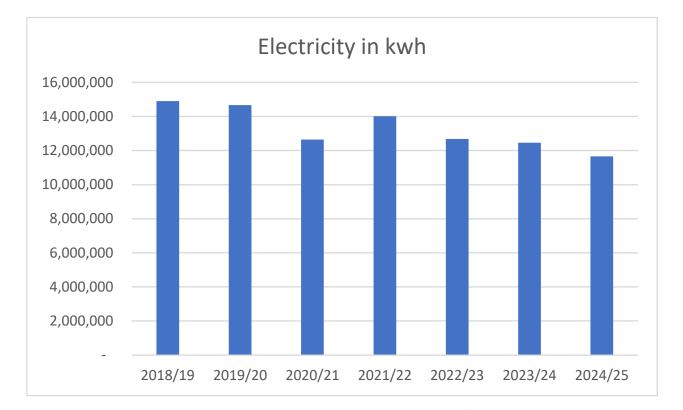
Impacts – Electricity usage

• Since peak in 2019/20 – reduction of 15.0% (forecast 21.8%)

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• Since 2021/22 – reduction of 11.1% (forecast 16.9%)



Impacts – CO2 Emissions

Scopes 1 and 2 plus small number of easily measurable scope 3s

- 2018/19 47,446 tonnes CO2e
- 2022/23 21,432 tonnes CO2e
- 55% CO2 emission reduction in last 5 years



Domestic Retrofit Programmes

- LAD 3, ECO 4, ECO Flex, GBIS, new UK government Warm Homes and pilot projects
- Solutions based on technology and approaches we know works and that the local supply chain can deliver at scale
- Fabric first approach not only improves thermal efficiency but also enhances the experience of living in the property
- Pilot project with WYCA using practical experience of solutions we have tried in BMDC estate and replicating in domestic homes



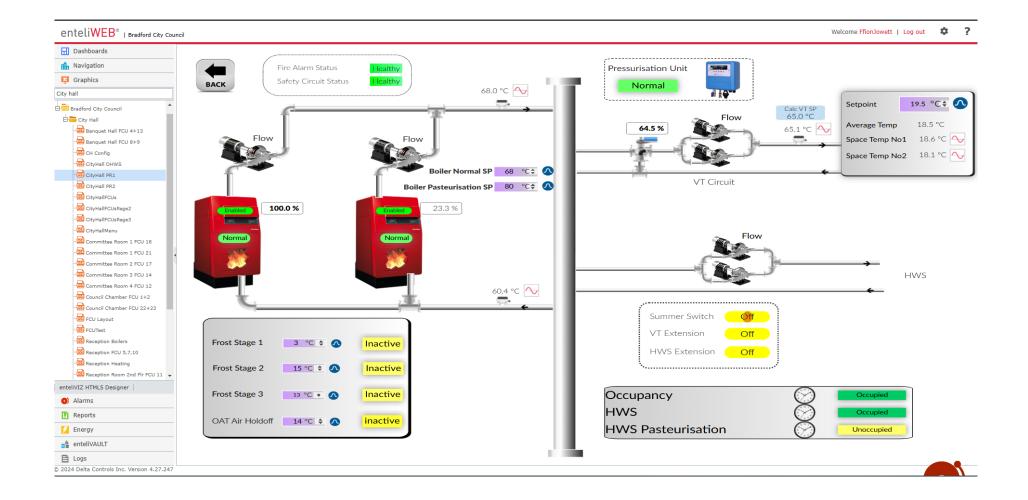
Domestic Retrofit Programmes

- Aim is to have cost effective solutions that reduce energy usage, increase deployment of renewable energy (solar PV) and improve comfort levels and living conditions for users
- Solutions include internal insulation, draught proofing, low temperature fan assisted radiators, building energy management systems, smart TRVs, smart air bricks, radiator additives and low carbon hot water
- Prepare buildings for the next stage of deployment of renewable and low carbon heating options heat network or heat pumps

Building Energy Management Systems

- BEMS is at the heart of everything we do
- 100 buildings fully controlled
- Enables optimisation of heating/lighting/HVAC systems
- Allows us to monitor and measure the impacts of new solutions
- Allows us to try things and measure the human responses
- Removes the need for behavioural change
- Built up steadily over the last 10 years
- You need to have the people to monitor and operate BEMS

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	Space Temp	Setpoint	Page 3
FCU 1 / 2 / 22 / 23 - Council Chamber	19.6 °C	19.5 °C 🗘	i age o
FCU3 Room 201 2nd	营 15.9 °C 🔨	20 °C ‡	
FCU 4 / 8 / 9 / 13 - Banquet Hall	16.9 °C	20 °C ‡	
FCU5 & 7 & 10 Reception Ground Floor	20.0 °C	20 °C ‡	
FCU6 Room 202 2nd Floor	20.1 °C	20 °C ‡	
FCU11 Reception Room 2nd Floor	16.5 °C	20 °C ‡	



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Space Temps

Menu

Plant Room 1		
Ground floor Museum	14.7 °C	\sim
Ground floor Police area	19.2 °C	~
Ground floor Wedding corridor	19.5 °C	\sim
1st flr Labour Exec members	18.6 °C	\sim
3rd flr Peace Studies room	17.1 °C	\sim
Existing Space Temp No.2	18.1 °C	~

Average Space Temp No.1

18.5 °C

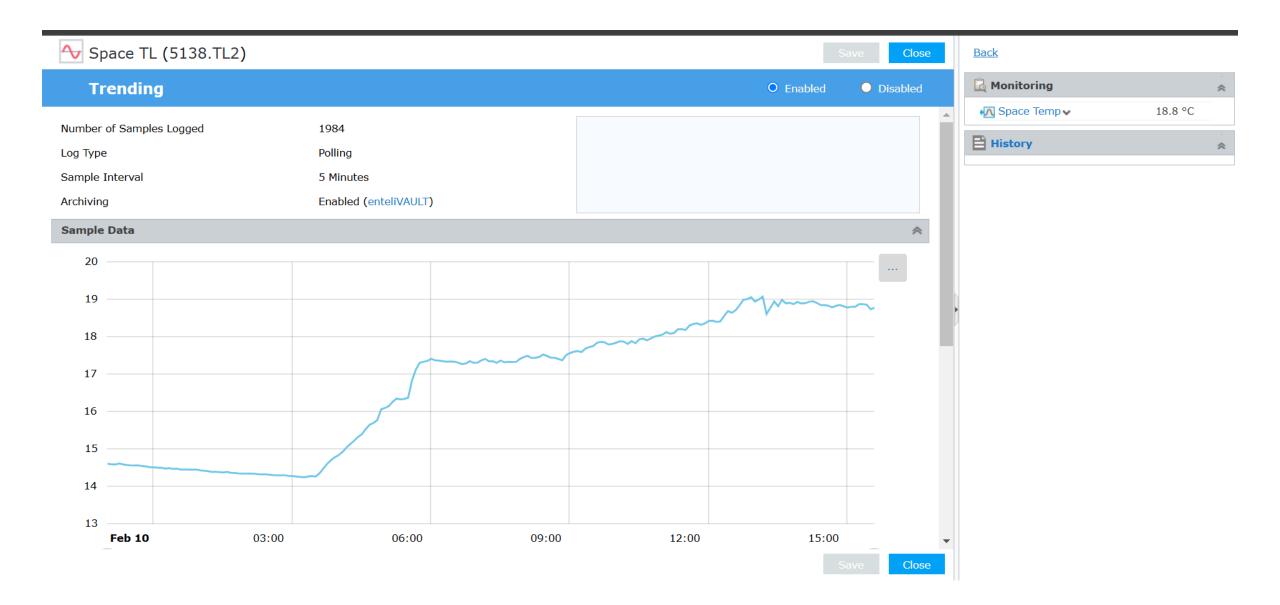
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Plant Room 2		
Occupational Health waiting room	24.5 °C	~
Ground Floor prayer room	19.1 °C	\sim
Ground floor Reception corridor	21.2 °C	\sim
1st flr Meeting Rm Conservative	18.1 °C	\sim
1st flr Committee secretary office	22.6 °C	\sim
1st flr Leader of Conservative	19.4 °C	\sim
2nd flr Civic Affairs	22.3 °C	\sim
3rd flr Media room	21.1 °C	\sim
3rd flr Room 312	19.4 °C	\sim
3rd flr Room 304	18.2 °C	\sim
4th flr 1960's block	21.7 °C	\sim
Existing Space Temp No.1	18.6 °C	\sim

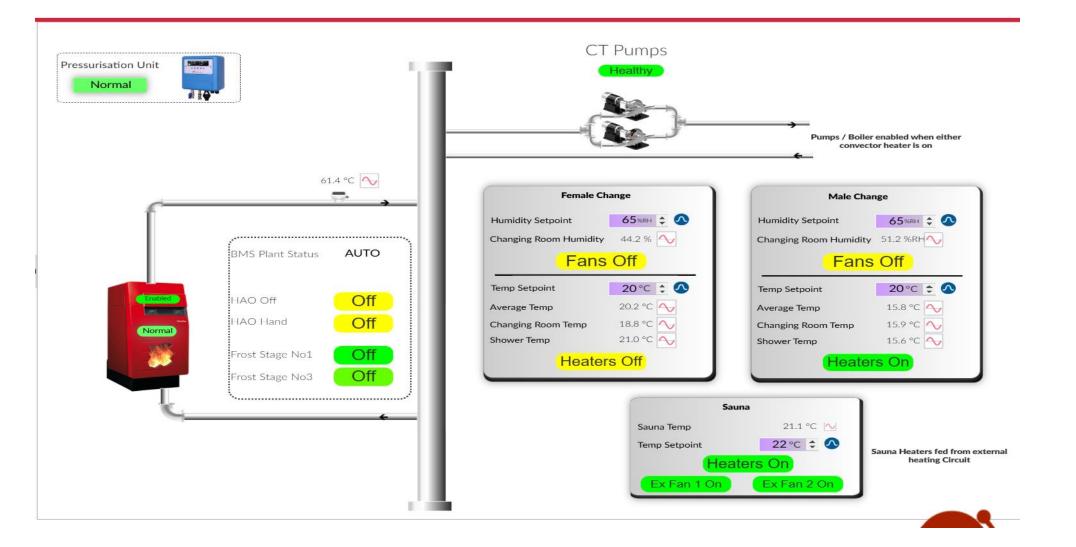
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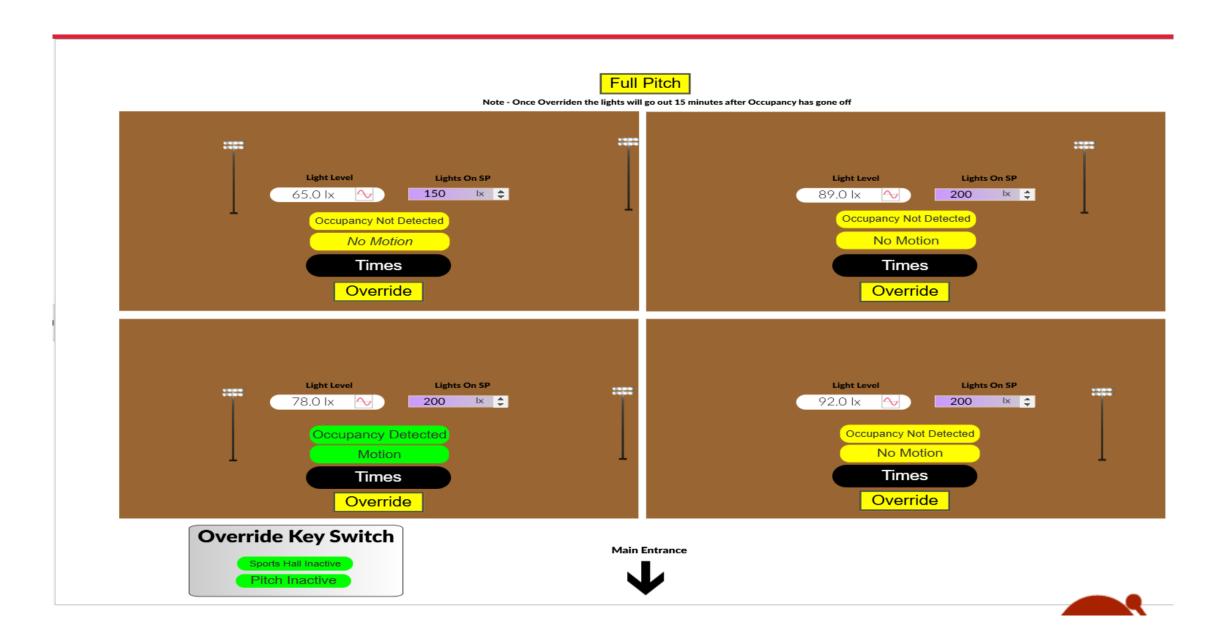
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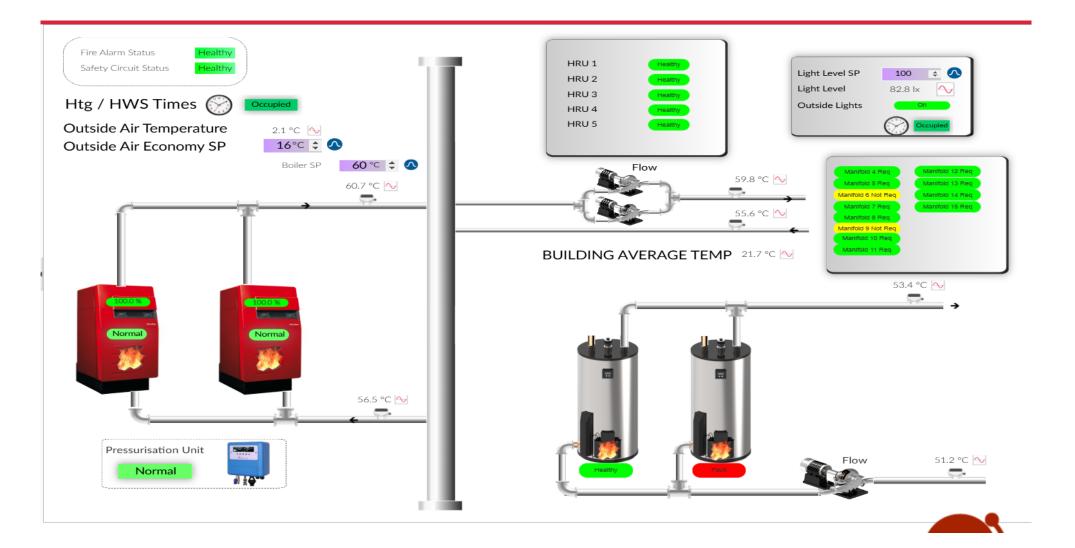


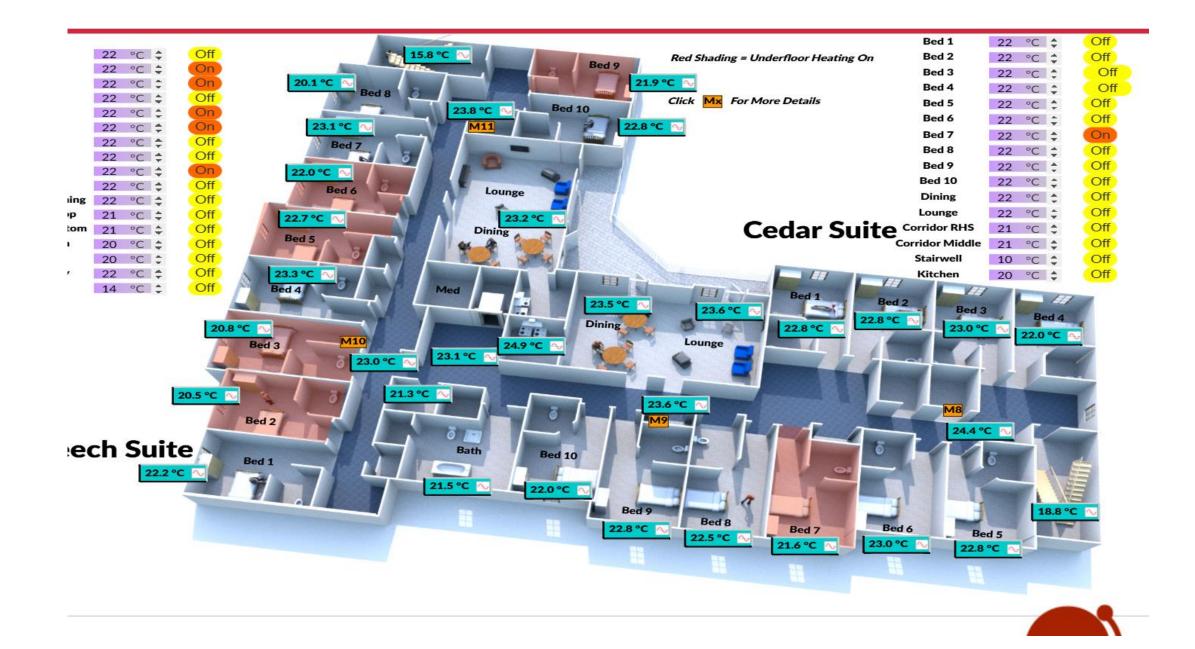
Manningham sports



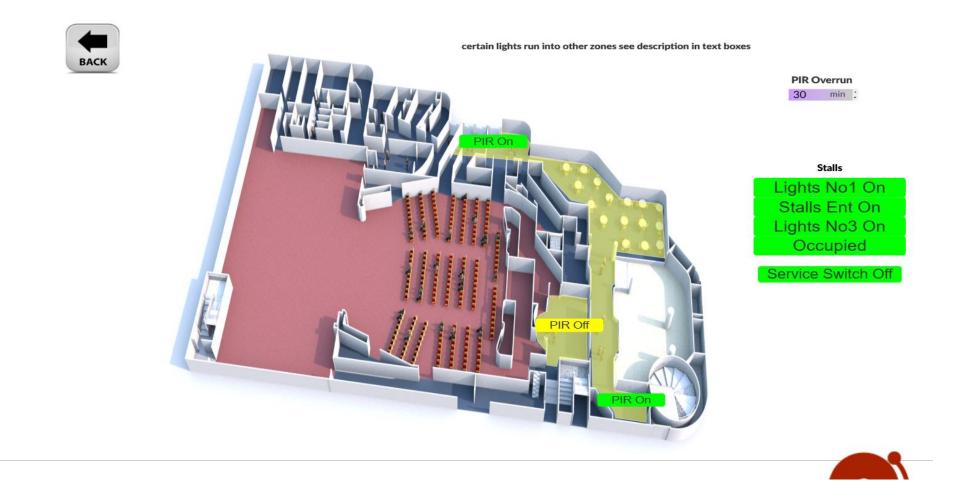


Valley view court

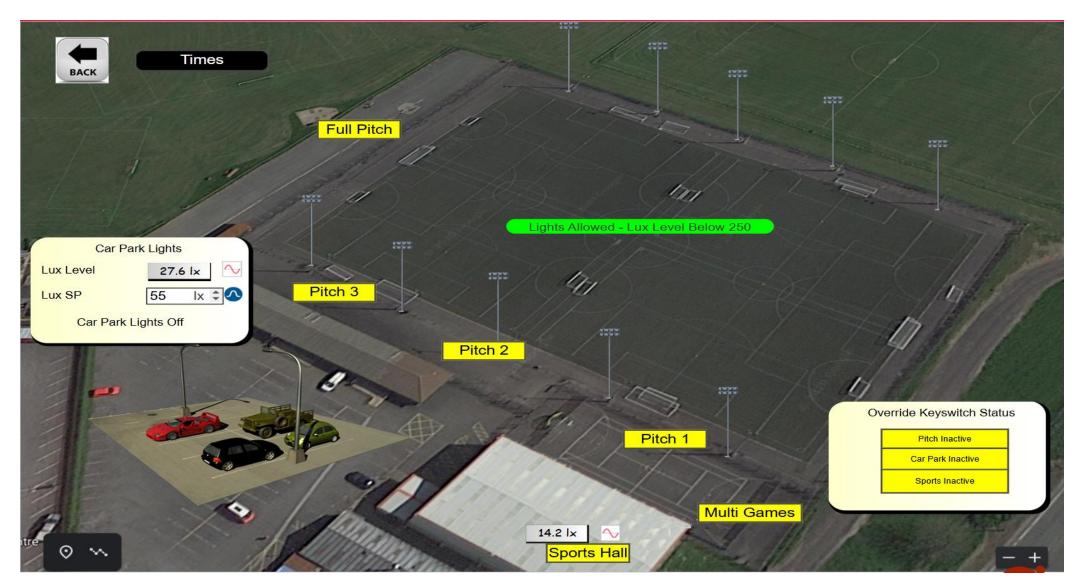




Alhambra lights



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Challenges

- Public sector processes including IT, procurement and legal
- Silo approach
- Early comprehensive engagement on projects
- Lack of joined up thinking with strategies/plans linking to objectives
- Poorly designed and delivered projects value engineering?
- Budgets
- Funding applications
- Lack of sharing of knowledge and best practice

What next

- Further optimisation of heating and lighting plans
- Continued deployment of BEMS, smart sensors and radiator additives
- Vortex kit for wet heating systems in trial phase
- Ceramic micro-filtration systems for pools ongoing 30-40%
- Solar PV solar farms and buildings gradual deployment
- District Heat Network
- HyBradford advanced fuel facility
- Co-ordinated estates and energy strategies/plans with BMDC plans

Thank you

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