Nearer to Zero: East Midlands
King Power Stadium, Filbert Way, Leicester

A one-day conference bringing together partners in the house building industry in response to zero carbon new homes from 2016

Date: Wednesday 3 July 2013
Time: 10:00 to 16:00

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Nearer to Zero Summary

In the Spring Budget, the government restated its commitment to zero carbon development within the context of economic growth and housing. However, planning and house building continue to face big challenges as the 2016 deadline moves closer and a number of questions need to be addressed:

- What are the main elements comprising the zero carbon definition?
- How can partners work more closely in meeting the requirements for zero carbon new homes?
- How will the East Midlands region face the challenge of zero carbon homes from 2016?

Nearer to Zero brings together planners, house builders and professionals from other housing sector related disciplines to explore opportunities for closer collaboration to achieve zero carbon new homes. With 2016 just three years away, the focus of this conference is on the steps that need to be taken to ensure zero carbon housing policy moves from ambition to reality.
Conference Overview

At this Nearer to Zero conference you will be able to:

- Hear DCLG explain their ambition for zero carbon homes.
- Learn about work on developing a common understanding of ‘zero carbon’.
- Participate in panel discussions with leading national figures from government, industry and research.

The conference is structured around four sessions:

**Session 1: Zero carbon homes – The policy objective**

The zero carbon journey – Government’s perspective  
Senior representative from DCLG

What do we mean by zero carbon homes?  
Neil Jefferson, Chief Executive of the Zero Carbon Hub

**Session 2: Delivering zero carbon homes**

Planning for zero carbon  
Robert Shaw, Director of Sustainability and Climate Change, LDA Design

What does zero carbon mean to a developer?  
Nick Ebbs, Chief Executive of Blueprint

**Session 3: Allowable Solutions**

A framework for Allowable Solutions  
Rob Pannell, Director at the Zero Carbon Hub

Case studies
  - Community energy fund – Dave Worthington, Managing Director of Verco
  - District heating plan – Ian Forsyth, Business Development Manager of Cofely
  - Planting trees – Nick Atkinson, Woodland Trust

**Session 4: The road ahead for 2016 - East Midlands**

What key changes are needed in the East Midlands to prepare for zero carbon homes from 2016? – Speaker TBC

*Small group discussions and panel sessions will be held after the presentations. These will be an integral part of the conference to help you to achieve maximum understanding from the themes being presented.*
Conference Booking

**Delegate price:** £40 plus VAT per person.

To reserve your place at the conference either:

Visit our website [www.nearertozero.co.uk](http://www.nearertozero.co.uk) and follow the link to book places using a credit or debit card; or

Complete and detach the booking form in this brochure and send with a cheque to Zero Carbon Hub, NHBC House, Davy Avenue, Milton Keynes, MK5 8FP

Please note that places cannot be confirmed until payment is received.

**Cancellation terms**

Cancellation up to and including 18 June 2013 – 100% refund

Cancellation between (and including) 19 June and 25 June 2013 – 50% refund

Cancellation on or after 26 June 2013 – no refund

Name changes accepted at any time

For any booking queries please email nearertozero@zerocarbonhub.org or call [0845 888 7620](tel:08458887620).
Booking Form

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS.

Region: 

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Address: 

Profession: Architect, Builder, Consultant, Developer, Housing Association, Local Planning Authority, Manufacturer, Other Local Authority, Planning Consultants, Student, Sustainability Consultants, Town Planning, Other.

Number of places required: 1 / 2 / 3
Total cost (inc VAT): £48 / £96 / £144

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To add additional delegates to a booking, completed photocopies of this form will be accepted. Please ensure that the enclosed cheque covers the amount for all proposed delegates.
Conference Partners

The Zero Carbon Hub is a cross-sector public/private partnership set up in 2008 to facilitate the mainstream delivery of low and zero carbon homes. Through a number of work streams, it advises industry and government at all levels on the skills, practice and innovation required to meet the zero carbon ambition. The Hub reports to the 2016 Taskforce.

The Home Builders Federation represents the interests of the house building industry and its members deliver 80% of the new homes built each year. It is actively engaging with Government and key stakeholders to identify and find solutions to the barriers to the delivery of zero carbon homes and it shares chairmanship of the 2016 Taskforce.

Nearer to Zero is being delivered with support from CITB-Construction Skills Management and Supervisory Development Programme.

The conference is hosted by Leicestershire County Council, Northamptonshire County Council and Climate East Midlands.

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The learning benefit gained by any individual attending this event can be evaluated and recorded in line with the CPD requirements in their professional body or institute.