

UKSPF Changing Lives Together



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BACKGROUND

Changing Lives Together is a charitable organisation, committed to making a positive impact on local communities. The organisation focuses on addressing issues such as food poverty, mental health, social isolation, and unemployment by offering comprehensive programmes that foster community resilience and individual empowerment. The facility in Winsford is a warehouse currently fitted with a wood burner and LED lighting. The warehouse provides a space for funding raising activity and community support.

WHAT WE DID

Groundwork was appointed as the delivery partner for Cheshire West and Chester's UKSPF grant programme. We assisted Changing Lives Together with their grant application process by:

- Visiting the site to review all their energy consumption measures, from lighting to heating measures
- Calculating their utility carbon emissions and undertook a cost/benefit analysis to understand the viability of a new wood heater
- Developing an action plan and business case for investment to support a grant application

OUTCOMES

As a result of our support, Changing Lives Together was able to install a new wood heater in their warehouse, resulting in a noticeable increase in the comfort and warmth due to an increased efficiency of the heating system. The summarised savings are as follows;

- £1,483 saved per year on purchased wood, due to an increased heating efficiency
- 0.1 tCO₂e carbon savings
- To avoid waste being sent to landfill, 20 and 30 wooden pallets from a neighbouring business are used to fuel the new wood burner



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