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SME BUSINESS SECTOR:

Chapman Robinson & Moore are an accountancy provider in Oxfordshire.

PROJECT COST:

£24,495

GRANT:

£6,123.75



This had given us a more energy efficient office, and a better working environment for our team.



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The Project

Chapman Robinson and Moores (CRM) are one of Oxfordshire’s leading providers of accountancy and proactive business advisory services.

The motivation for getting in touch with OxFutures and getting an energy audit was prompted by the firm wanting to evaluate their carbon footprint and consider what they could be doing to mitigate the environmental impact of their operations. The took everything into account including travel and premises to get a complete idea of the impact the operation of the firm had on the planet.

Where to start?

The energy audit recommended a host of measures that CRM could install to reduce their energy bills, make their workspace more comfortable and reduce their carbon emissions. Some were zero or very low cost. OxFutures helped the organisation make decisions on what to prioritise and here are some of the measures CRM decided to go ahead with.

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Air Source Heating System

One of the key recommendations from the energy audit was to look at an air source heating system to replace the old storage heating system that was in place. Whilst reducing costs and environmental impact it also gave them the option of having a system that provided air conditioning for the summer months. The space at CRM was originally heated by 3x2kW mobile heaters that were switched on when the building was being used.

CRM have since had a combined heating and cooling system installed at their offices, with the work being completed in December 2018. By changing to an electric boiler heat pack system, the space is a much more welcoming temperatures for users as well as being a more energy efficient office.

"The opportunity to receive a grant to help with the costs of doing this made it an easier decision to make."

- **Tony Hobbs, CRM**

Other recommendations

There were a range of other recommendations made for CRM, a number at low or zero cost such as: adding draught proofing to external doors, installing a low-output heater in the toilet, updating lighting to LEDs and providing signage. At the other end of the spectrum, one of the more expensive measures would have been to consider adding cavity wall insulation.

Future aims

CRM are always looking at ways to make their business operate more efficiently and with the energy audit they received they will have the knowledge to incrementally implement more efficiency measures as and when they are able.

Give the OxFutures team a call today on **01865 246009**, or visit www.oxfutures.org to see how you can save money and energy with a free energy audit and grant funding.