### Who are we?

The Greater South East Energy Hub is operated by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority on behalf of 11 Local Enterprise Partnership areas and their local authorities. It came into formal existence on 1st April 2018 when funding was received from The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS).

# What's our purpose?

BEIS recognised that dedicated resources would be required to co-ordinate, manage and derive the technical feasibility studies needed to promote and accelerate delivery of new local energy infrastructure. As a result, five Local Energy Hubs to cover England have been forming since April 2018 with an expected initial period of two years. The five hubs are in different stages of progress and some are as yet to formally establish. The core objectives for each Hub are to a) coordinate with member Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) for the production of LEP led Local Energy Strategies, and b) support the delivery of local energy infrastructure as identified in the Local Energy Strategies and their associated evidence-based analysis.

# The Energy Hub Ambition

The Energy Hub will be financially self-sufficient by April 2020 and that it is the principal delivery vehicle to address infrastructure issues that current organisation and delivery models are unable to satisfy.

### How we are governed, the Energy Hub Board

The Greater South East Energy Hub Board will govern, scrutinise and plan delivery of the dedicated team to ensure the project is a success. The Board comprises one representative from each LEP areas in the bulletin footer below. These Board Members are either LEP employees or a constituent Local Authority employee. The Board also has a Working Group who support the strategic aspects of the Energy Hub's work.

### **Engagement and involvement across the Greater South East**

A multitude of electronic, one to one and one to many type activities will be organised to ensure that all 11 LEP areas and Greater London have the opportunity to become involved. We have an interim website set up already — www.energyhub.org.uk — to provide a dedicated on-line presence.

## A new Energy Hub, a dedicated team

Both our website and our recruitment partner, **www.energyjobline.com**, are promoting eight specialist roles. The team will be based in specific locations around the Hub area with LEP and local authority partners. Currently the Energy Hub has a team of two dedicated people comprising Acting Regional Hub Director, Paul Bourgeois (paul.bourgeois@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk) and Interim Deputy Energy Hub Manager, Rebecca Aspin (rebecca.aspin@energyhub.org.uk) are providing the resource for operational set up and team recruitment.









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# **Energy Hub geography**

The Energy Hub area equates to 16 counties, plus Greater London and 149 local authorities. The map shows the Hub and spoke model comprised of LEP and local authority offices where the Energy Hub team can work from and meet. The Energy Hub team will reference the six Local Energy Strategies currently being created across the geography plus the existing London strategies and plans relating to local energy. All local authorities and principal stakeholders will be engaged to ensure that emerging requirements are also considered.

# **Brand identity**

Over the next two months an Energy Hub logo will be created to ensure that we have an independent, trusted brand which can go beyond the two-year funded project and enable the Energy Hub to a principal decarbonisation agency in the Greater South East.



### Over to you

The new team will be place by early Autumn 2018 therefore the interim team needs help in identifying and collating data, information, contacts, concept project ideas and all things 'local energy' related so that the Engagement Plan can be well informed and planned in readiness. The Hub Board will be developing the Business Plan and this will require input from public, private, academic and third sector organisations including community groups.

Please offer data, information and your details by emailing info@energyhub.org.uk and we'll in touch with you.









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