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**BREEAM** update

'Green' is more than a badge it is good business sense!



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#### BREEAM aims to.....

- Improve the environmental performance of buildings
  - By demonstrating improvements over building regulation
  - Recognising and encouraging industry best practice

Work towards government and global long term targets



#### **BREEAM** requirements

#### Scottish Funding Council

 New builds to achieve a minimum BREEAM Education Excellent rating at all stages and Post Occupancy Evaluation is now mandatory for all major capital projects

#### SGHD

 New builds to achieve a minimum Excellent Healthcare rating and refurbishments to achieve a Very Good

#### Local Authorities

Incorporating Environmental standards as part of supplementary planning guidance

#### Private Developers

 Main drivers are planning process, tenants looking to occupy efficient buildings and the social housing sector



#### Sustainability Drivers - Policy

- Revised tougher Building Regs 2007 energy and environment sections
  - Ongoing revisions to support policy documents 30% beyond current standards to be introduced Oct 09
- Climate Change Bill 2007-2008
  - Will result in Scotland having the most ambitious climate change legislation anywhere in the world with a mandatory target of cutting emissions by 80% by 2050



#### EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive

#### Requires:

- Minimum energy performance standards for new buildings and large existing buildings subject to major renovation
- Energy performance certificates
  - Provided to prospective purchaser/tenant
  - Prominent display of the energy certificate in all public buildings and institutions providing public services



### Low Carbon Building Standards Strategy for Scotland - 2007



- Net zero carbon buildings by 2016 2017
- U-values and airtightness standards to match those of Nordic countries by 2010
- "Total life" zero carbon buildings by 2030

#### Existing buildings

 Developing practical performance standards for existing buildings (aligned with EPC's)





#### Other drivers

- Scottish Sustainable Communities Initiative
- Corporate social responsibility
- Insurance climate change and risk
- Carbon Reduction Commitment (carbon trading scheme education/NHS buildings to be included)



#### BREEAM 2008 update

- Change to environmental weightings
- Introduction of mandatory credits
- Innovation and exemplary level credits
- Two stage certification process: Design stage and Post construction
- BREEAM Outstanding
- Benchmarks set for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to align with the new EPC (Environmental Performance Certificates)
- Green Guide to Specification on line
- New Schemes: BREEAM Education and BREEAM Healthcare



#### **BREEAM Categories**



Health and Wellbeing



Management







Energy

Materials





Water

Waste





Land Use and Ecology





#### Mandatory Credits (Minimum Standards)

- Aims:
  - To avoid that a building achieves an Excellent rating, but does not achieve compliance with straightforward BREEAM issues e.g. storage of recyclable waste or installation of a water meter.
  - Comparability across different schemes and BREEAM buildings.
- The higher the BREEAM rating the more mandatory requirements there are and progressively harder they become.





Table 3: Minimum BREEAM standards									
	BREEAM Rating / Minimum number of credits								
BREEAM issue	PASS	G005	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING				
Man 1 - Commissioning	1	1	1	1	2				
Man 2 - Considerate Constructors				1	2				
Man 4 - Building user guide				1	1				
Man 9 - Publication of building information (BREEAM Education only)					1				
Man 10 - Development as a learning resource (BREEAM Education only)					1				
Hea 4 - High frequency lighting	1	1	1	1	1				
Hea 12 - Microbial contamination	1	1	1	1	1				
Ene 1 - Reduction of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions				6	10				
Ene 2 - Sub-metering of substantial energy uses			1	1	1				
Ene 5 - Low or zero carbon technologies				1	1				
Wat 1 - Water consumption		1	1	1	2				
Wat 2 - Water meter		1	1	1	1				
Wst 3 - Storage of recyclable waste				1	1				
LE 4 - Mitigating ecological impact			1	1	1				



#### **Innovation Credits**

- Additional recognition for 'innovation in the field of sustainable performance', above and beyond what is currently recognised and rewarded in BREEAM
- Two ways of obtaining Innovation Credits:
  - By meeting exemplary level performance requirements for an existing BREEAM issue
  - 2. Where an **application** is made to BRE Global to have a particular building feature or process recognised as **'innovative'**









# 2008 BREEAM Manuals available on the BREEAM Website

http://www.breeam.org



### BREEAM 2008 Update: In detail New Schemes

### BREEAM: Education





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#### **BREEAM Education 2008**

BREEAM Education can be used to assess the following types of buildings:

- Schools (primary and secondary)
- Further education colleges
- Sixth form colleges
- Vocational facilities
- This includes new and refurbished education buildings and extensions within or part of a larger education development.



Minster Secondary School and Sixth Form Southwell, Nottinghamshire

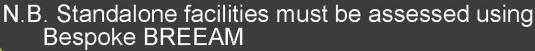


#### BREEAM Education's scope

- General teaching spaces
- Catering
- Retail
- Sports facilities
- Admin and Support
- Outdoor areas
- Special Educational Needs
- Nurseries
- Specialist areas (drama studios, labs, IT, etc.)

#### FE colleges:

- Large-scale visual arts and multi-media recording studios, e.g. sculpture/photography
- Trade-based workshops, e.g. salons, bricklaying, carpentry etc.
- 'Independent living' workshops







#### BREEAM Higher Education - Background

 To date, all HE projects have been assessed using BREEAM Bespoke; implications:

- Higher criteria development costs more than standard schemes
- Non-standard assessments = less comparability
- Longer timescales for delivery of assessments
- Less opportunity to address specific aspects of the HE sustainability agenda





#### Higher Education – brief history

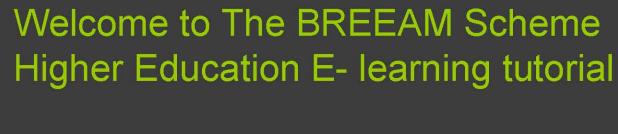
- Development of HE done in consultation with industry experts
- Process took 18 months and 12 Universities took part in pilot
- The Technical Guide was amended by BRE
  - Input from industry experts to reflect the needs of Higher Education
- Main stakeholders for the development of the Higher Education section are:
  - The UK Higher Education Funding Councils (England and Wales).
  - Scottish Funding Council.
  - Northern Ireland, Department of Education.
  - Association of University Director of Estates (AUDE).
  - Day-to-day project co-ordination by HEEPI (Higher Education Environmental Performance Improvement) project, as part of the broader Green Build project.



#### BREEAM Education –incorporating HE

- BREEAM HE will sit within BREEAM Education
- Campus-wide approach
  - Common use facilities such as waste recycling, shared facilities and Cycling Facilities can be accessed and used by ALL buildings and their users within the HE site or campus
- Laboratories and other high energy use facilities
  - Up to 7 credits are now available for laboratories & other containment devices - compensation for poor EPC ratings
  - 5 Energy credits are based on specification of HVAC / fume cupboard air flow reducing strategies; free cooling; heat / cooling recovery; design integration; correct-sizing and modularity measures
  - Health and Wellbeing credit based on BS EN 14175 for Fume cupboards, promoting safety and performance requirements
  - The Management credit is based on the production of a simple Laboratory User Guide











**E** – learning



#### **Tutorial Aims & Objectives**

- To give you an understanding of how Higher Education Buildings fit within BREEAM: Education.
- To enable you to carry out BREEAM assessments of Higher Education buildings under BREEAM: Education
- To provide you with an awareness of some of the issues unique to Higher Education Buildings
- To demonstrate to BREEAM that you understand the issues relating to HE; by completing the 'quiz' at the end of the tutorial



#### Scope - exceptions

- Standalone associated areas, e.g.
  - Data centres are assessed under BREEAM Data
     Centres Scheme
  - Staff and student accommodation (halls of residence)
     are assessed under BREEAM multi- residential scheme
  - Sport facilities are assessed under BREEAM Bespoke Scheme



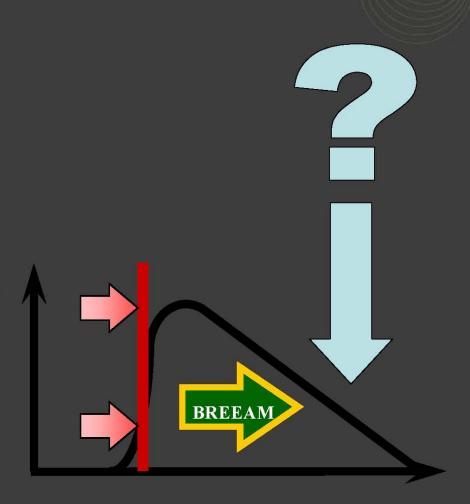
#### BREEAM costs and efficiencies





#### BREEAM ratings can be influenced by:

- Starting early
- Team effort, including client and contractors
- Plan carefully, assign responsibilities
- Know BREEAM (as much as possible)
- Capitalise on project opportunities
  - Mandatory credits
  - Cost effective credits
  - Consider weighting
  - Innovation / exemplary levels
- Takes time





Understanding the importance of getting the design stage right and the relative costs of the procurement process



**Operation 75** 

**Construction 1** 

## Financial assumptions for achieving higher ratings

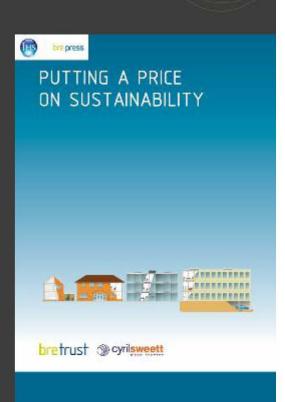
- Best value approach from the onset
- Financial modelling includes best value not lowest first cost
- Calculate costs for renewables not just equipment
- Safeguard Best Value from Value Engineering
- Fee and timescales allow for feasibility studies and grant applications
- Developing site solutions which take full account of its operation, maintenance, and durability



#### Putting a price on sustainability

'Putting a price on sustainability' BRE Trust (BRE & Cyril Sweett), 2005

- Covers:
  - Housing
  - Naturally ventilated office
  - Air conditioned office
  - PFI health centre
- Capital cost implications of achieving the different BREEAM / EcoHomes ratings





#### Putting a price on sustainability

Naturally ventilated Office

Table 2b Increases in capital costs to achieve Good, Very Good and Excellent BREEAM ratings in three locations

Location <sup>2</sup>	BREEAM score and rating for the base case naturally ventilated office	% increase in capital cost to achieve a Pass/Good/Very Good/Excellent						
		Pass	Good	Very Good	Excellent			
Poor	25.4 (Pass)	-0.4	-0.3	2.0	_			
Typical	39.7 (Pass)	-	-0.4	-0.3	3.4			
Good	42.2 (Good)	_	_	-0.4	2.5			

#### In use cost savings

- Energy 17%
- Water 71%



#### BREEAM case studies

 Cardiff Central Library achieves BREEAM 'Excellent' rating with no extra construction cost



- Achieved a post-construction BREEAM Excellent rating
- Re-use of an existing site and enhancements to local ecology
- The provision of a green roof which contains a variety of plant species and helps reduce the risk of local flooding and pollution
- Water saving devices such as dual flush WCs and a leak detection system
- Good public transport links and the use of insulation materials which have zero ozone-depleting potential
- Laing O'Rourke: "The improvements in the environmental assessment were made without increasing costs in construction. It is very fulfilling as a constructor to contribute to the environmental sustainability of such an important community building."



#### BREEAM case studies

- Campus M Business Park, Munich achieves
   BREEAM Excellent at no extra cost
  - Business park consists of four buildings, together with multi-storey parking making a total rentable area of 18,500 m²



- Building is entirely naturally ventilated with high frequency lighting and high levels of natural daylight, with workstations at most 7 metres from a window
- Low energy usage meeting the requirements of the German energy saving regulations EnEV2004
- Excellent public transport links and extensive cyclist facilities and showers
- Storage areas for recyclable waste in the basement
- Highly efficient gas condensing boilers providing the space heating
- Re-use of an existing site which involved the specialist disposal of contaminated material
- European Director for Construction and Development: "Campus M proves that achieving Excellent does not mean additional cost. A high priority was given to bringing all parties involved in the sustainability brief together early – the earlier everyone understands the process, the more cost and time effective green construction is."



#### BREEAM case studies

- G.Park Blue Planet achieves first ever BREEAM Outstanding
  - 35,500m2 North Staffordshire distribution centre
  - Energy: biomass plant provides serves the site,
     electro-kinetic road plates are set within internal roads to generate electricity from vehicles entering or leaving the site
  - Water: rainwater harvesting system is installed, SUDS ponds created on site, which also act as ecological features
  - Materials: Majority of materials are either A or A+ rated. All timber is FSC certified. All internal finishes have very low levels of volatile organics.
  - Waste: The development targeted zero waste sent to landfill. Most major suppliers are committed to retain their own waste for recycling.
  - Ecology: Brownfield site and a significant ecology enhancement plan is in place.
  - Director of Sustainability and Global Procurement at Gazeley "we believe we have created an industry blueprint for cutting-edge developments. Not only does it deliver significant environmental savings, it also creates total energy and water cost in use savings of up to £300,000 per annum."



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#### **BREEAM Workshops**

- BREEAM Education
  - Or
- BREEAM In Use





#### Avoid having to retrofit sustainable features





