



ESB awards contract for €13m Meath solar farm to Greencells

ESB has awarded Greencells a contract for the development of the 16-acre Meath Solar Farm in Clonsilla. Greencells is set to begin early site work, with the first panels expected to be installed by summer 2024. The farm will generate 6.5MW of clean electricity once completed. ESB is a 200% owner. Greencells is a 100% owned subsidiary of ESB. The farm will be a 16-acre solar farm, with a total capacity of 6.5MW. The farm will be a 16-acre solar farm, with a total capacity of 6.5MW. The farm will be a 16-acre solar farm, with a total capacity of 6.5MW.

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## CITB NI runs retrofit training programme for trade professionals

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(CITB NI) launched 'The Older Buildings for a Greener Future' project in January – a new retrofit training programme aimed at boosting knowledge and awareness of appropriate maintenance, repair and retrofit of older buildings. Supported by Department for Communities Historic Environment Fund, the project is part of CITB NI's ongoing support for the construction industry by providing upskilling opportunities to electrical and other construction professionals.

The programme began with a two-day subsidised course at the end of January which provided an accredited Level 3 Award in Energy Efficiency for Older and Traditional Buildings. Additionally, the project will offer three free webinars in understanding options for sustainable heating systems, the retrofit of older



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domestic buildings and retrofit of older commercial buildings, which are open to all. Barry Neilson OBE, Chief Executive CITB NI, said, "This project will increase knowledge amongst owners and construction professionals to reduce the number of inappropriate interventions which are damaging the historic built environment, improving conservation of the historic built environment as well as helping to reduce carbon emissions to support with meeting the net zero target in 2050."

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