



CITB NI Launches Retrofit Training

CITB NI has announced their 'The Older Buildings for a Greener Future' project, 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 will run January – March 2024, and is part of CITB NI's ongoing support to the construction industry by providing upskilling opportunities to construction professionals.

19% of UK carbon emissions are related to the running of existing buildings, and when construction and transportation are

also taken into account, the built environment sector is responsible for up to 42% of total greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the UK.

The retrofit project will support the net zero priority by raising knowledge and awareness of appropriate maintenance, repair and retrofit of older buildings through upskilling opportunities as well as providing accessible information on retrofit, heating options and appropriate maintenance advice tailored to NI.

This will include using appropriate materials, methods and the introduction of new technologies. It will highlight advantages and opportunities of built heritage and how it can improve the

environment, both through sustainability and aesthetics, but also through connection with our culture, identity, history and sense of place.

