

PROJECT : HEATING

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WHAT?

Enable and encourage staff to be more aware of heating controls and costs.
To waste less energy heating (or cooling) the building.
No working time clock to schedule the heating to come on at specific times

WHY?

Financial - energy is expensive.
There have been many incidents where heating on but windows open, or heating left on (for days!) by GPs leaving room, or rooms are left empty, but the heating is left on.
It annoys me to come into boiling hot rooms with no one in them

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HOW?

Informed staff about closing doors to reduce heat loss.
Turned off radiators in rooms we were not using.
Carried out an unannounced inspection on the building.
Due to re-audit later to monitor improvement.
Persuaded the landlords to update the timer for the heating system.
Staff have been encouraged to keep office doors closed to keep the heat in rather than turning the heating up
Stick some sellotape over the thermostat!

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WHO?

All staff have their part to play
Will involve admin support going forward to regular monitor.

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WHAT WENT WELL?

The heating has been a massive success but it's ongoing with the turn it off.
A lot of chasing from myself but now with the switch it off campaign it is everyone.
Remind regularly helps embed the action.
Overall improvement in temperature control of rooms, staff liked coming in to a warm room during winter.
Staff understand the doors are closed for warmth not to stop people going in - practice remains sociable!

EVEN BETTER IF?

We still need to get the staff more excited about it (as well as remind them that I don't think that they would do it in their own home so please treat this building with the same respect.
People would forget to turn off timer before going on holiday so may heat an empty room.

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Doing what we do, but a bit greener

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