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St Sidwell's Point

The UK's first Passivhaus Leisure Centre

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

UN Development Goals



Development Framework



Define Sustainable Development Goals

1. ENERGY PERFORMANCE
2. NET ZERO CARBON
3. GOOD HEALTH AND WELLBEING
4. SUSTAINABLE WATER USAGE
5. ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY
6. CONNECTIVITY AND TRANSPORT
7. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
8. SOCIAL VALUE
9. OTHER ?

Define Accreditations and/or Assessments



Minimum Targets with certification

	Min CO2 saving target	Capex uplift	On site renewables
BREEAM Very Good	n/a	base	n/a
BREEAM Excellent	25%	7.5% over Breeam VG	n/a
BREEAM Outstanding	40%	No Data	n/a
Passivhaus Classic	Circa 70% (increased saving with off-site renewables)	15% over Breeam VG	n/a (promotion of off-site renewables)
Passivhaus Plus	100%	No Data	≥ 60kWh/m ² .yr
Passivhaus Premium	Above 100%	No Data	Renewable Energy +ve generator
N.B. Water consumption	Estimated 50% as a consequence of PH certification		

Passivhaus Institute: Who are they?

- An independent research institute founded in Germany.
- Internationally recognised quality assurance for energy efficiency.
- Research & development of construction concepts, components & tools.

Passivhaus standard : three sets of criteria

Energy Criteria

Comfort Criteria

Hygiene Criteria



The new Passive House Classes

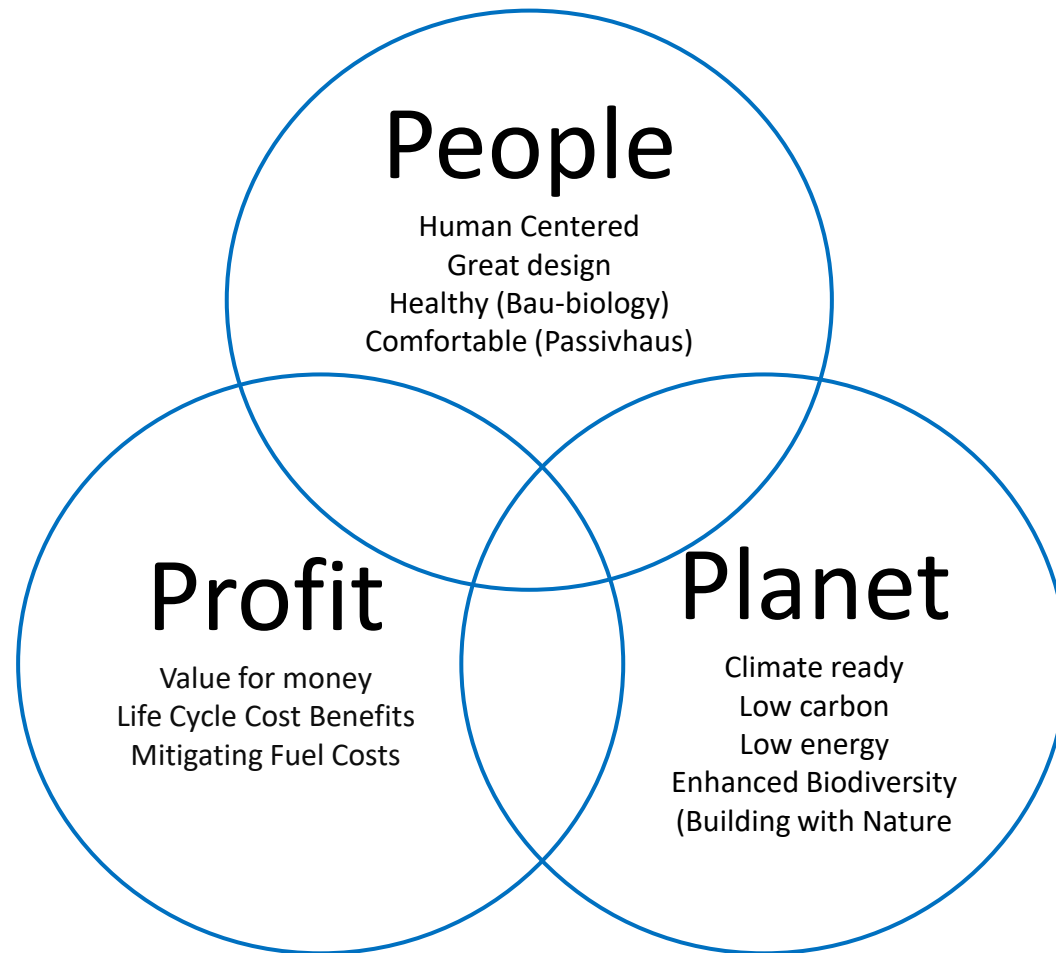


Key challenges for sustainable development.



Resource / Carbon / Energy Use / Low cost

Exeter's Triple Bottom Line



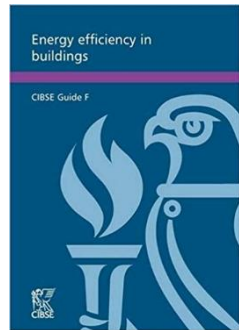
Design for performance.

Working to agreed outcomes.

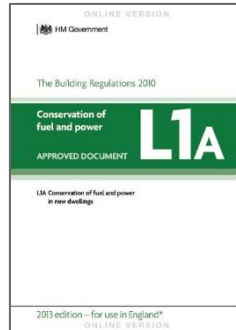
Poor accuracy

Estimating operational energy

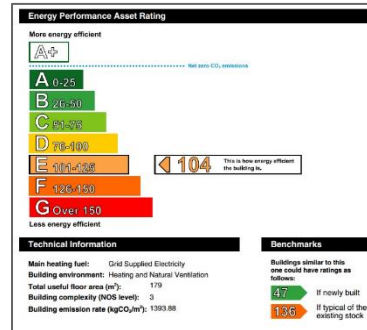
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Benchmarking
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Building
Regulation
Assessment



EPC



Passivhaus
Planning
Package (PHPP)

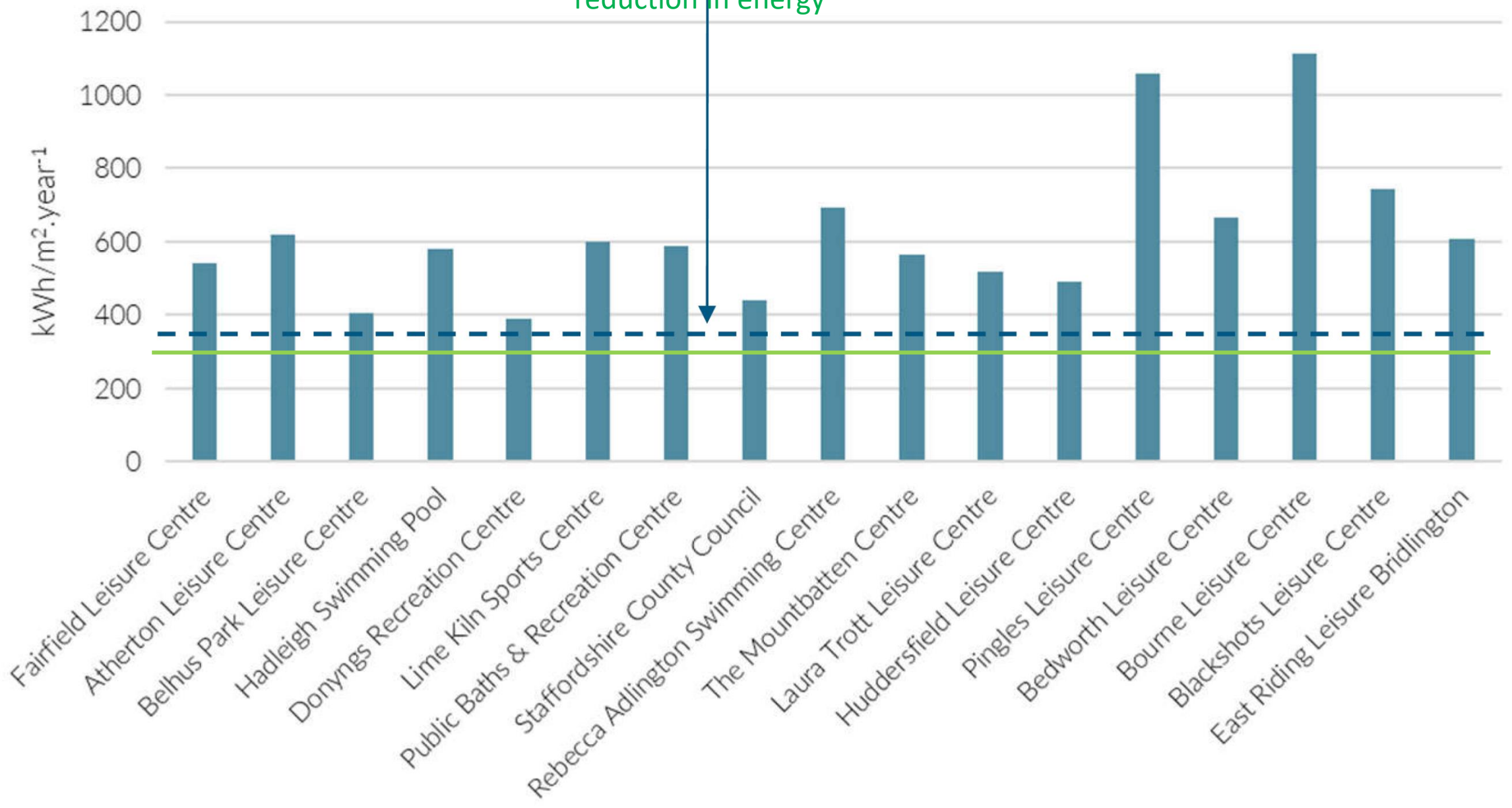


Dynamic
modelling
CIBSE TM54



Advanced dynamic
modelling for Design
for Performance (DfP)

Passivhaus (Exeter St Sidwells) 76%
reduction in energy

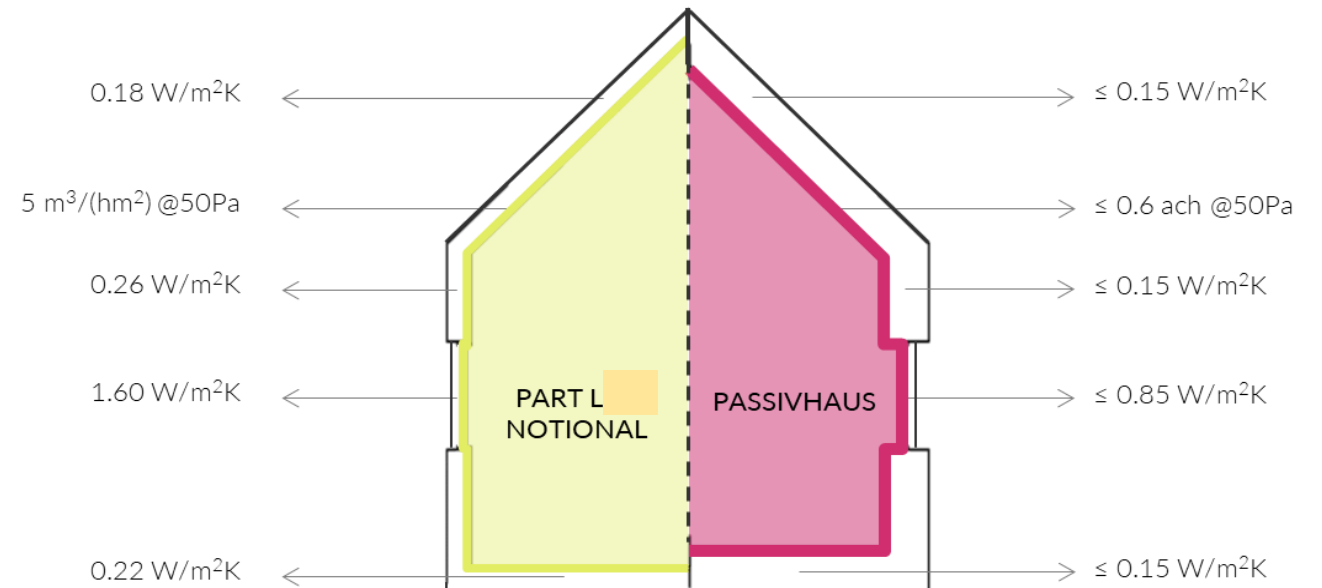


Net Zero.

Comparison to PassivHaus.

- Part L 2013 (current):

- External Wall (W/m².K): 0.26
- Exposed Roof (W/m².K): 0.18
- Exposed Floor (W/m².K): 0.22
- Window u-value (W/m².K): 1.60
- Air Permeability (m³.m².hr@50Pa): 5.00



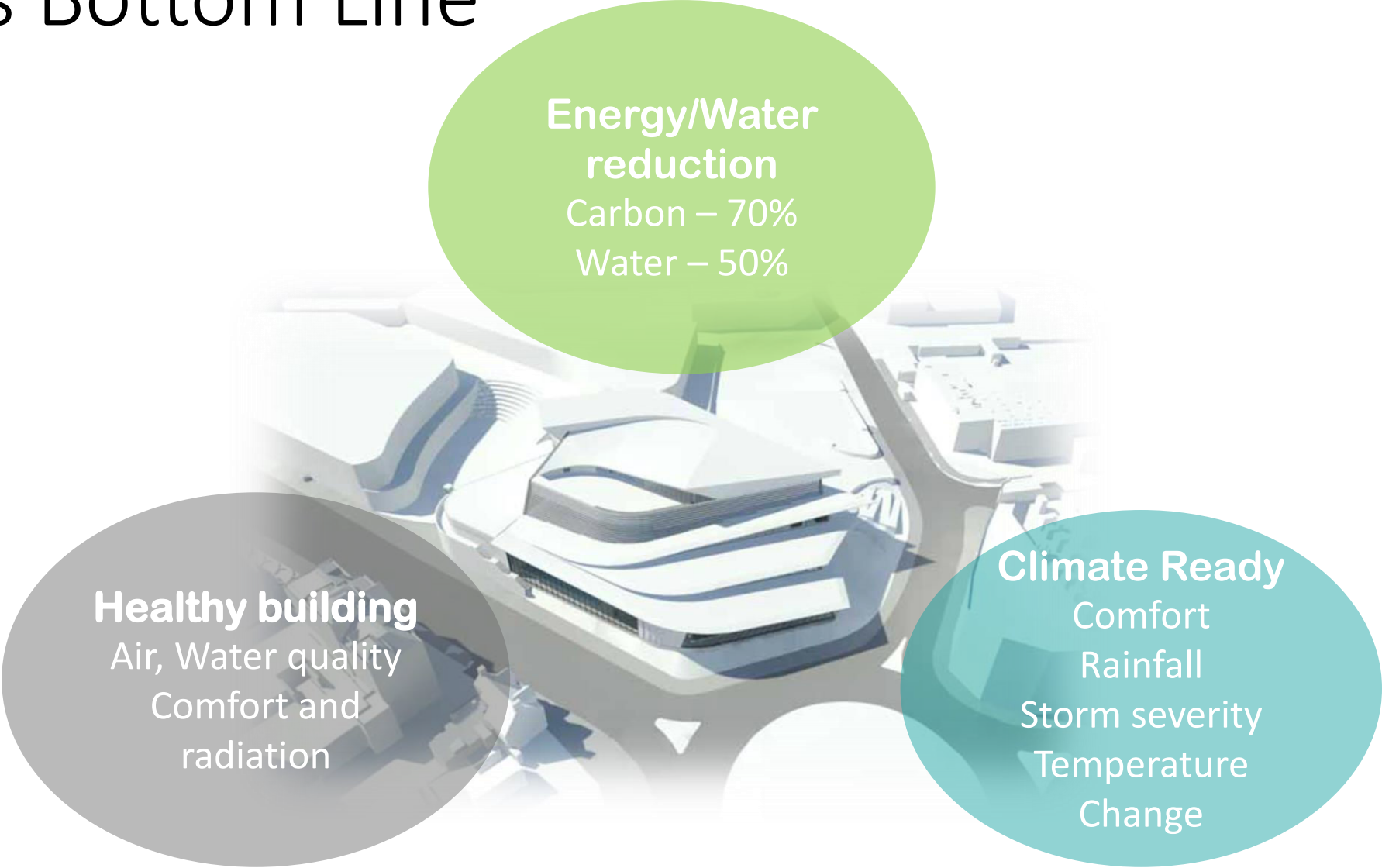
Development Brief

An Urban Leisure Centre

- 25m competition swimming pool
- 20m community pool
- Children's confidence/play water
- Health and fitness centre (150 gym station and flexible studio)
- Café
- Children's soft play activity space
- Spa (including hydrotherapy pool, heat experience and treatment rooms)
- Rooftop terrace
- Contract = £42m (including enabling works)
- **Triple Bottom Line Outcomes**



Exeter's Bottom Line



Masterplan

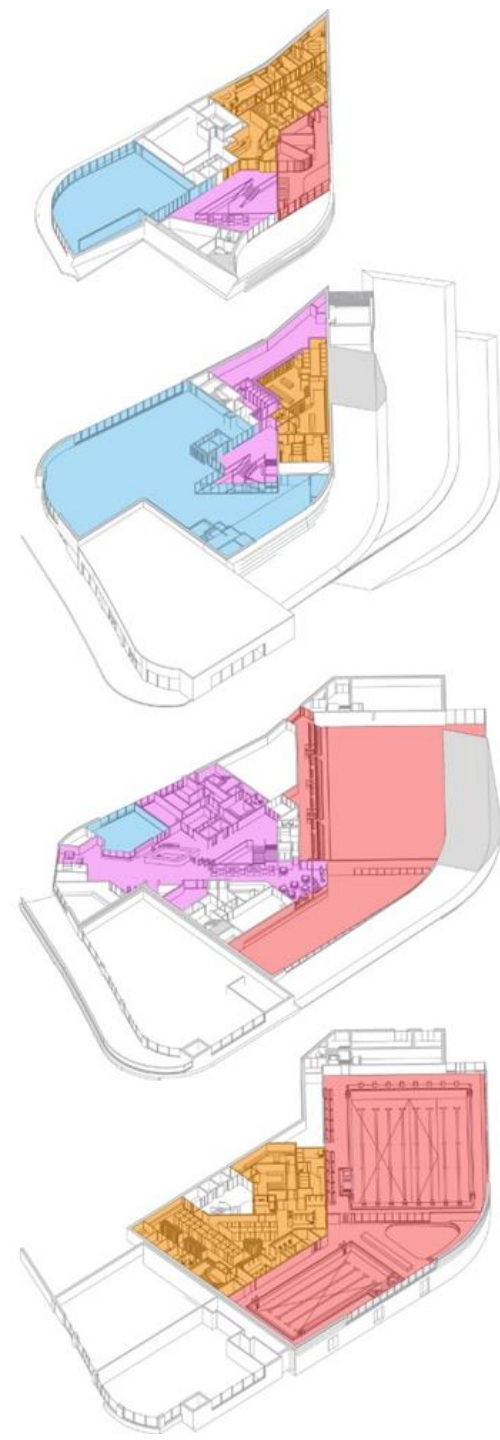


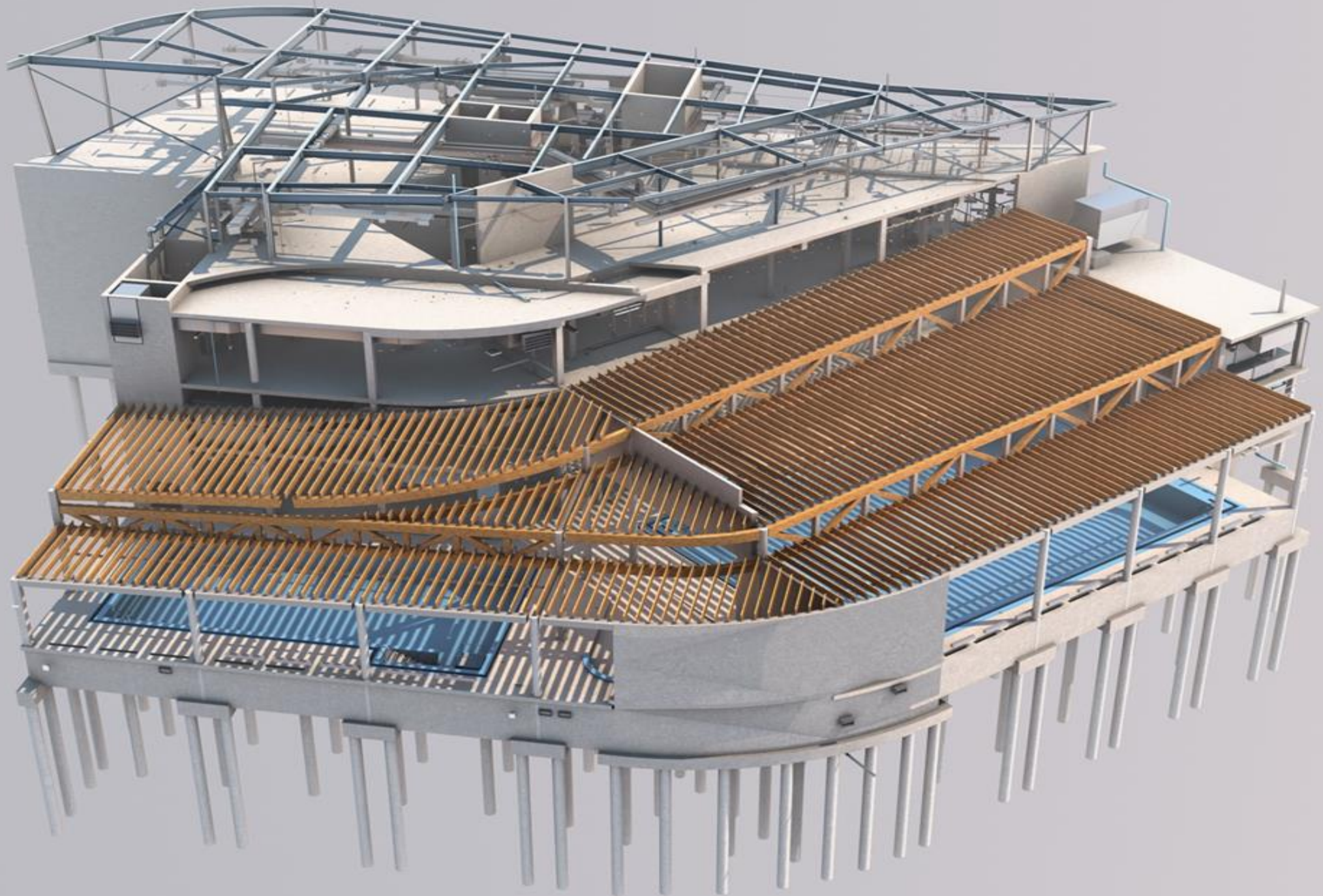
The Passivhaus Zoning Concept

- Reduce energy demand through planning
- Thermal zones minimise heat transfer
- Extensive glazing to maximise daylight
- Vertical core natural ventilation

Thermal zoning :

- hot
- warm
- temperate
- cooled







Key strategies for Passivhaus Pools:

Quality Assurance

compact plan

thermal zoning

Daylight

Natural Ventilation (vertical core and windows)

Optimum solar orientation and gain - ~40% south facing glazing for wet areas to maximise solar gains (biese soliel)

internal distributed plantrooms

Higher surface temperatures

Increased thermal comfort

High levels of insulation U-value < 0.15 W/m²K

High Performance Windows and Doors U-value < 0.85 W/m²K

Continuous Air tight Barrier < 0.6 ac/h @ 50 Pa

Thermal Bridge Free (following the PH method) avoiding condensation risk

Heat recovery & services efficiency - Transfer of 'waste heat' to pool water

Large service voids

Low chlorine/chemical filtration

Higher relative humidity possible throughout the year (~64%) to reduce evaporation rates from pool water and reduce required ventilation rates (ventilation rate of 1-1.5 ac/h with no re-circulation) (also glazed façade elements don't need to be ventilated to protect from condensation.)

CO2 sensors

Night purging

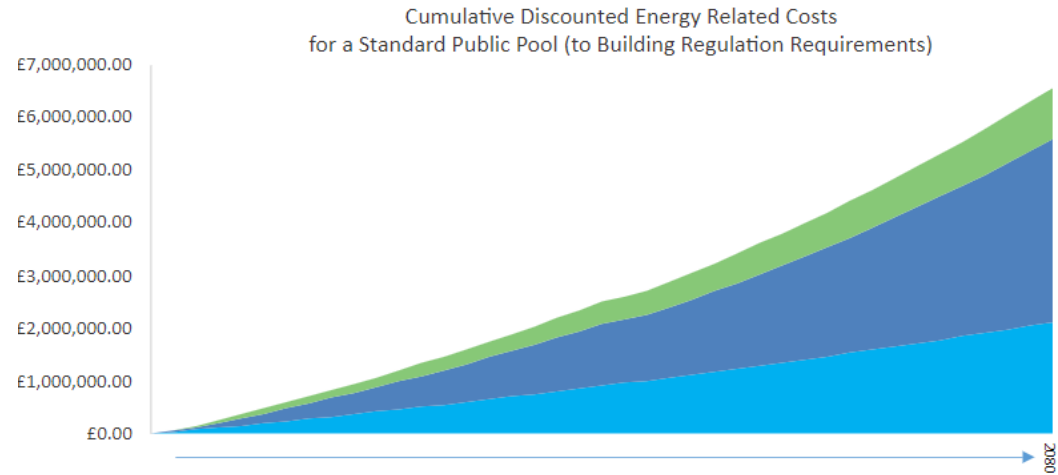
Most efficient equipment in the world

Exeter's perspective

Our journey delivering this project as a Local Authority :

- We needed strong, consistent political leadership.
- Support and commitment throughout the organisation was required.
- Funding included CIL, NHB and prudential borrowing.
- We spent 6 months doing the Feasibility Study – with 4 different options developed, all considering CAPEX and OPEX (with a 25 year Business Case for each option).
- Costs increased during the design stage – tender price inflation was higher than expected.
- It took almost 5 years to get from the commencement of Feasibility Study to starting construction works on site. ECC resource commitment (officer time) during this 5 years was equivalent to 3 FTE's throughout, plus legal, finance and estates team support as needed at different times.
- Delivery on site took 3 years & 3 months.
- The Project Lead has always been a Director.

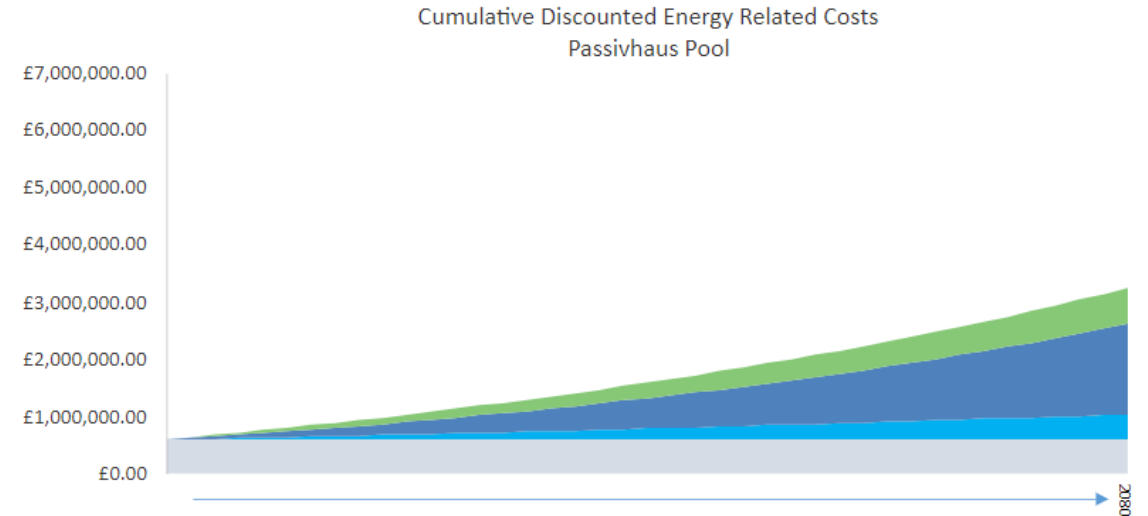
Cumulative Costs for Swimming Pool Building, Built to 2020 Building Regulation Requirements



Cumulative costs for swimming pool building, built to 2020 Building Regulation requirements, for [heating/ventilation](#), [hot water/filtration](#) and [lighting](#)

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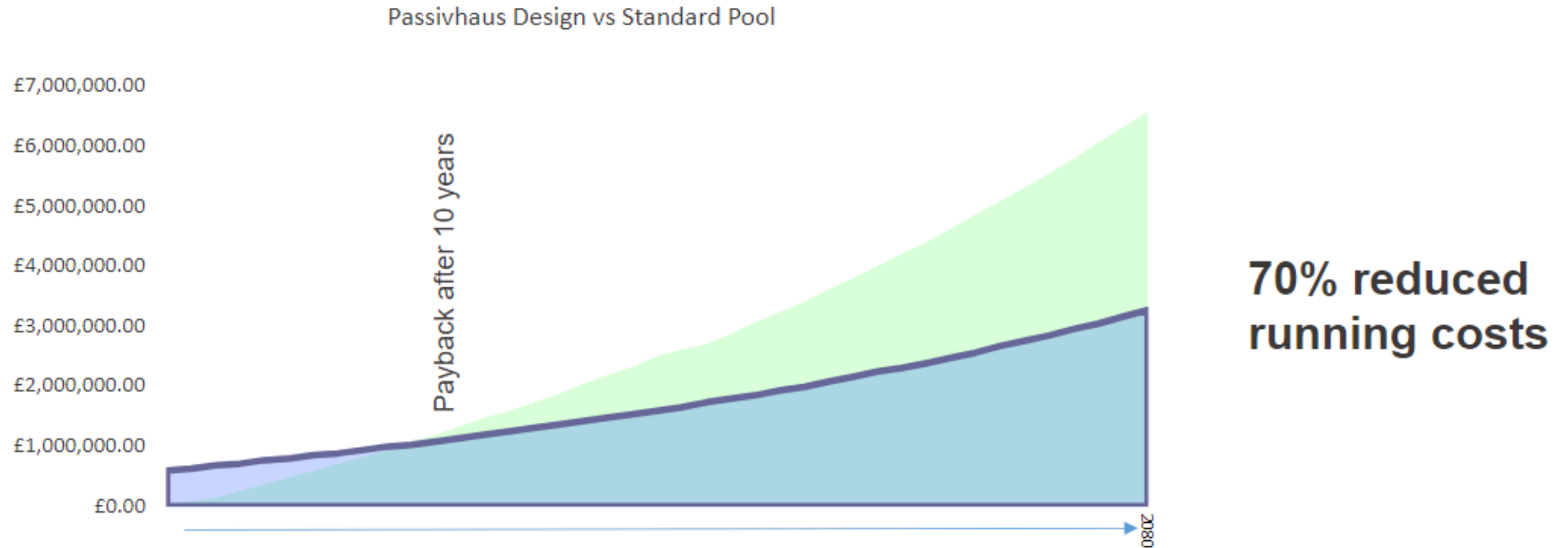
Cumulative Costs for Passivhaus Swimming Building



Cumulative costs for swimming pool building, built to Passivhaus standard, for [heating/ventilation](#), [hot water/filtration](#) and [lighting](#).

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Comparison of Cumulative Costs for a Standard Pool (Green) Building and the Proposed Pool (Blue)



Payback period 10 years

Business Case for Passivhaus – WHY?

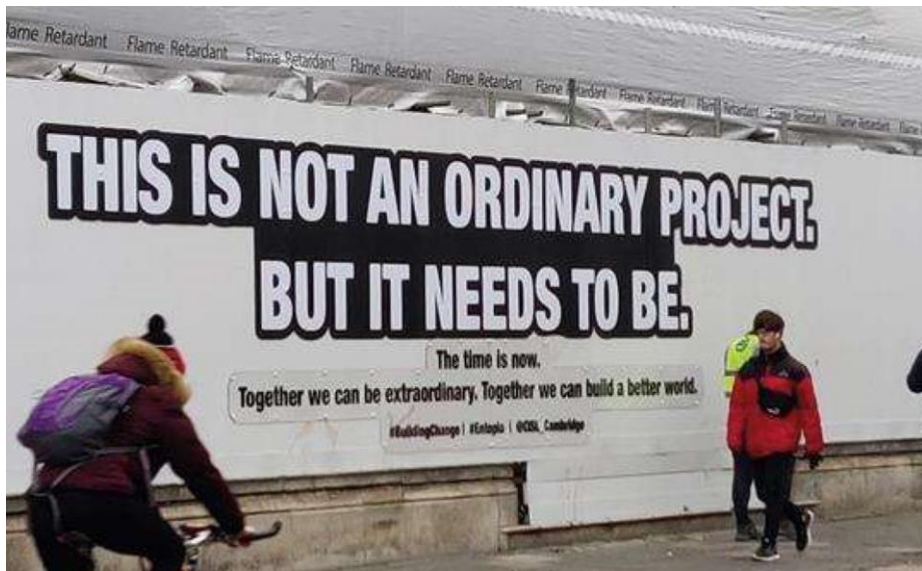
- Energy savings 'pay for' capital uplift in construction costs and more
- SSP uplift circa 10% (for all environmental factors & enhanced specification)
- Pay back within 10 years or less given rising energy prices
- Enhanced internal environment attracts more customers and strengthen revenue potential
- Reduced life-cycle costs – 80 year design life
- Retrofit mitigation
- Compelling and guaranteed performance and business case attracts investment/funding
- Great publicity and PR potential – customer demand
- Shows leadership – that leads to wider benefits





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St. Sidwell's Point, Exeter

The world's first multi-zonal Passivhaus Sports Centre

