

# Driving operational efficiency with CHP

Places Leisure saves £250,000 a year, and reduces carbon emissions by over 2,600 tonnes, using Combined Heat and Power from Centrica Business Solutions.



## Creating active communities

Places Leisure is a leading leisure and wellness partner, delivering consistently high-quality fitness, sport, health and wellbeing services. Working with local authorities across the country, its workforce manages a diverse range of leisure facilities that help create active places and healthy people.

In a notoriously competitive industry, Places Leisure was looking for a way to reduce energy costs so that it could invest further in enhancing customer experience. It turned to Centrica Business Solutions to find a sustainable way to create energy.

## Heat and power for health and wellbeing

Centrica Business Solutions helped Places Leisure reduce carbon emissions, in line with Government targets. Due to the extended thermal demand from swimming pools, a Combined Heat and Power (CHP) unit was an effective and efficient option.

Centrica Business Solutions and its team of engineers installed CHP units at 13 Places Leisure facilities. The maintenance package ensures that any potential issues, either online or on site, are spotted and resolved quickly, giving Places Leisure the peace of mind that the generator will always be running.

## The results

Since installing the CHP units, Places Leisure has reduced its carbon emissions by 2,600 tonnes, which is equivalent to taking 510 cars off the road for a year.

The CHP units are also saving the business £250,000 per year in operating costs. This means Places Leisure can spend more money on the things that matter most; creating safe, enjoyable spaces for the local communities where it operates.



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Solutions



CHP units  
save £250k  
per annum



Carbon emissions  
cut by 2.6k tonnes

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Installing Combined Heat and Power units to generate electricity is the perfect way to reduce our carbon emissions, but also our operating costs. The benefits of CHP will continue as we continue to build new leisure centres.”

**Chris Williams, Environment and Sustainability Manager,  
Places Leisure**

## Why Centrica Business Solutions?

- Simplified energy management
- Ability to provide an end to end solution from installation to ongoing maintenance
- Strengthening Places Leisure's reputation through ensuring a reliable service and quality customer experience
- A long standing, trusted partnership providing complete peace of mind