

Case Study 2: a rural community hall

The starting point:

- Stone built, with a reasonably sized space
- Oil heating to an old radiator system
- In use a few afternoons and evenings in the week and the occasional Saturday
- Run by a local charity



The change:

- Full refit with draughtproofing, secondary glazing and breathable insulation throughout
- Put in a modern kitchen, disabled toilet, and small storage area to make the space useful for more purposes
- Space now a bit smaller because walls are thicker with insulation on the inside
- New biomass boiler feeding underfloor heating as long as the floor is up anyway, so they are heat pump ready
- Changes made in one go by showing improved community amenity and organising a large grant that included the costs of professional advice