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Q1. The Working Groups made clear MCS should continue to be responsible for certification in the microgeneration sector. Do you agree?

Your response: No comment

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Q2. Do you agree that MCS governance should be improved and that it should move towards becoming a free-standing company? Please provide evidence to support your views.

Your response: No comment

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Q3. How can MCS be put on a sustainable financial footing without compromising its independence and without the use of public funds?

Your response: No comment

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Q4. Do you agree that MCS should be extended to support technology limits over the strict microgeneration limit (<50kWe for electricity and <45kWth for heat)?

Your response: No comment

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Q5. What size, in terms of the upper limit for each technology, should MCS cover? Please provide evidence to support your views.

Your response: No comment

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Q6. What type of insurance schemes should the industry consider?

Your response: no comment

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Q7. What are the specific concerns about the governance, transparency and flexibility of SAP?

Your response: English Heritage are concerned that assessment procedures remain flexible enough to avoid the need for unsympathetic alterations which might harm the significance of heritage assets.

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Q8. Do you agree that once RDSAP is aligned with SAP 2009 in 2011 it will be effective in assessing microgeneration technologies? If not, please identify other areas of concern that should be considered as part of future reviews?

Your response: While we still await the details of the alignment of RDSAP to SAP 2011 English Heritage are concerned that assessment procedures remain flexible enough to avoid the need for unsympathetic alterations which might harm the significance of heritage assets.

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Q9. How do we ensure that sector skills are in-step with sector growth? This will be about up-skilling of the existing workforce as well as modified apprentice training – how will this be cascaded to companies and individuals most effectively?

Your response: No comment

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Q10. What role could manufacturers play in training provision?

Your response: No comment

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Q11. How can the marketing, and accessibility to, training reach smaller companies and individuals?

Your response: No comment

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Q12. Are there enough people who can be trained – given the on-going high uptake of solar PV, for example? How can we ensure that training gives sufficient weight to repair and maintenance?

Your response: No comment

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Q13. How can we ensure that we capture the training needs of those installing these technologies in the commercial sector?

Your response: No comment

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Q14. How can we ensure that design advice capacity is in place to meet demand projections?

Your response: The English Heritage web site 'Climate Change and Your Home' illustrates how design advice can be presented in a way that allows self-service <http://www.climatechangeandyourhome.org.uk/live/>

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Q15. What are the interim solutions to ensure householders are given the right advice now?

Your response: The English Heritage web site 'Climate Change and Your Home' illustrates how design advice can be presented in a way that allows self-service <http://www.climatechangeandyourhome.org.uk/live/>

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Q16. How should this approach be modified for the commercial sector?

Your response: The English Heritage web site 'Climate Change and Your Home' could be modified to provide advice to the commercial sector. <http://www.climatechangeandyourhome.org.uk/live/>

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Q17. What further steps should be taken to ensure that appropriate training and knowledge-sharing reaches all those working on wider energy, construction and environmental issues?

Your response: Those working on wider energy, construction and environmental issues should be required to have appropriate training so that they are aware of the potential sensitivity of the historic environment and adopt good practice in consulting with local authorities before installation.

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Q18. What sort of market intelligence should industry and Government be collecting?

Your response: No comment

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Q19. How should this market intelligence be collected using existing networks and relationships such as trade bodies, MCS, Certification Bodies?

Your response: No comment

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Q20. Do you agree that industry working with Government should update route maps and use them as a tool to support technology development?

Your response: No comment

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Q21. What could Government and other parties do to ensure that the grid is ready to cope with impacts of an increase in microgeneration technologies, in particular heat pumps?

Your response: No comment

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Q22. How can DNOs and the microgeneration industry work better together so that both sectors understand the relevant technologies, their impacts, and how to manage these impacts in a cost effective manner?

Your response: No comment

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Q23. How can heat pumps be rolled out at scale and integrated in to a low carbon electricity system - what are the best ways of achieving this?

Your response: No comment

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Q24. How can the controls and microgeneration industry work closer together to ensure that a systems approach becomes a reality?

Your response: Through MOUs and codes of practice,

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Q25. How should the industry, other stakeholders and Government tackle the need to raise consumer awareness of how heating systems can work more effectively?

Your response: Web site information and guidance

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Q26. As a means of future proofing buildings for microgeneration technologies, how can heating solutions that provide for hot water storage be encouraged?

Your response: No comment

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Q27. What should the microgeneration industry do to take forward the development of storage technology?

Your response: No comment

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Q28. What more should the industry be doing to promote Flue Gas Recovery Systems to increase take up?

Your response: No comment

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Q29. How can you help Government disseminate the results from best practice and exemplar projects?

Your response: Through our HELM web site which promotes and celebrates good practice

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Q30. Do you agree that MCS is the best route for providing a directory of installation companies? If not what alternative do you suggest?

Your response: No comment

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Q31. Do you agree that installation companies removed from the MCS scheme for malpractice should be clearly reflected in the directory of installation companies? Please provide evidence to support your answer?

Your response: Yes – it is important that installation companies are trusted by customers and that there is a penalty for malpractice. This would be particularly important where the malpractice has resulted in damage to the historic environment which is a non-renewable resource.

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Q32. What is the best way of making sure that microgeneration and Green Deal advice provision work together?

Your response: No comment

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Q33. What role should MCS installation companies play in providing objective advice on which technology to install?

Your response: No comment

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Q34. Do you agree trade bodies should collate information on the advice their respective members are providing? If not what alternative do you suggest?

Your response: No comment

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Q35. Do you agree that such information sheets would be valuable? Please provide evidence to support your view.

Your response: No comment

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Q36. Who do you think is best placed to write and disseminate them? Please provide evidence to support your view.

Your response: English Heritage have already published guidance for some micro renewable systems which is being expanded to cover a wider range of technologies that provides assistance with technical advice relating to installation affecting heritage assets

<http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/professional/advice/advice-by-topic/climate-change/renewable-energy/microgeneration/>

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Q37. What aspects of the Green Deal Framework will need to closely align with the microgeneration framework set out in this consultation document?

Your response: No comment

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Q38. Can you illustrate with examples the potential opportunity that the 'community energy' sector presents?

Your response: No comment

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Q39. What do you feel are the non financial barriers to developing community energy?

Your response: No comment

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