



GENERAL CASE STUDY

CATEGORY: GENERAL CASE STUDY YEAR: 2007

Business Details:

**Saughy Rigg Farm,
Haltwhistle,
Northumberland**

<http://www.saughyrigg.co.uk/>



Description:

Saughy Rigg Farm B&B is situated about half a mile north of Hadrian's Wall within Northumberland's beautiful National Park and is an ideal base for a walking holiday on Hadrian's Wall National Trail. The B&B achieved a GTBS Silver award through implementing a range of good practice measures, some of which are outlined below.



Economic

- Site has installed a range of renewable energy sources, such as a ground source heat pump for heating the extension and solar panels to heat hot water, as well as having a bio mass boiler in planning. These will all contribute to a reduction in the use and thus cost of energy
- Extensive use of low energy light bulbs, further contribute to energy savings
- Towel agreements with guests reduce amount of laundry done and thus water, energy and detergent used



Environmental

- Use of renewable sources of energy (ground source, solar and bio mass) and implementation of energy saving measures can significantly reduce the businesses emissions of CO₂ and other pollutants
- Use of toilet paper and kitchen towels made from recycled paper, which not only reuses recycled materials and keeps them out of land fill, but is also less energy and water intensive to make and significantly reduces the pollution associated with the production of virgin paper



Social

- Use and promotion of locally and where possible organically produced food; which not only reduces food miles and the associated environmental impacts, but also supports the local economy
- Use of Fair Trade Tea and Coffee supports producers, often in developing countries, to get a fair price for their product

WEB

Energy Saving Trust- Renewable Energy:

http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/generate_your_own_energy

Efficient Light (Low energy Light bulbs): <http://www.efficientlight.co.uk/>

Recycled Products Guide: <http://www.recycledproducts.org.uk>

The Green Shop: <http://www.greenshop.co.uk/>

Ethical Superstore: <http://www.ethicalsuperstore.com/>

Northumbria Larder: <http://www.northumbria-larder.co.uk/index.html>

Fair Trade Foundation: <http://www.fairtrade.org.uk/>