

# Lancashire Police accesses Prosper's decarbonisation framework to retrofit their Blackpool DHQ

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**"We found Prosper easy to deal with and it was the perfect framework solution to continue our excellent working relationship with Lancashire Police."**

Rob Williams, Head of Commercial, Construction & Public Buildings, Places & Communities at Equans Regeneration Limited North West - UK

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**Lancashire Police has awarded a contract to Equans Regeneration Limited to carry out the installation and maintenance of Solar PV panels to the roof of their divisional headquarters in Blackpool to help reduce electrical utility costs.**

Lancashire Police approached Prosper to help facilitate the procurement route and following a detailed desktop pricing exercise, Equans Regeneration Limited was awarded a direct award through Lot 3 North West on Prosper's Decarbonisation Retrofit (including refurbishment works) Framework.

Lancashire Police identified there is a significant amount of roof space at Blackpool DHQ that could be utilised to expand the solar installation with significant potential to reduce electrical utility bills at the site.

Blackpool DHQ is currently at 100% electricity load for its utility of heating and cooling and as such, has a significant use of electrical energy. Despite having an existing limited solar installation, this is one of the most expensive buildings to run from a utility aspect.

The site was chosen due to its high standing in the CO2/M2 baseline analysis within the Lancashire Constabulary Net Zero Carbon Reduction Plan. The Lancashire Constabulary sustainability strategy following the Government's net zero target of 2050, is the main driver for the installation of various initiatives within the North West region. The installation of more solar panels at Blackpool DHQ will be a significant project aimed at reducing energy usage within their estate.

Prosper's Decarbonisation Retrofit Framework (including refurbishment works) is an all-encompassing procurement solution that covers a range of decarbonisation retrofit works with the option to include standard investment works. The innovative solution provides the delivery mechanism for a range of retrofit works aimed at insulating fabric-first elements of homes through Principal Contractors who will be able to deliver

component schemes or whole-house approaches to include typical cyclical investment works, for example, kitchen and bathroom instalments.

It compliments the works supported through the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ), the Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund (SDF) and ECO4 works, meaning contractors have to be compliant with PAS 2035 installer accreditation requirements and hold Trustmark certification.

The framework covers regional lots across the North East, Yorkshire and The Humber, North West, East Midlands, East of England, South East, South West, London, West Midlands, and Wales.

Rod Brasington, Chief Executive of Prosper, said:

**"We're delighted to be able to support Lancashire Police with a direct award to Equans Regeneration Limited through Lot 3 of our Decarbonisation Retrofit (including refurbishment works) Framework for the installation of Solar PV at their Blackpool DHQ.**

**Our staff worked with both parties to understand the project and delivery requirements and then determine the solution that meets the needs of our client. We have helped to facilitate over 50 decarbonisation contracts for many clients across different sectors and this contract demonstrates our depth and experience in this field."**

Dave Warren, Estates Building Services Engineer at Headquarters Estates, said:

**"It has been very useful in being able to employ Equans through this framework as it has allowed us continuity of working with Equans as they have provided good services on the past two PV schemes."**

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For more information on Prosper's Decarbonisation Retrofit Framework (including refurbishment works) or if you are looking for other procurement solutions to deliver your business objectives, please call us on **0191 280 5665** or email **info@prosper.uk.com**