



It brought a whole new meaning to the word 'green' at Southwold Golf Club when an array of 16 solar PV panels were activated on the clubhouse roof last month, thanks to the combined forces of local contractor, Boggis Electrical and distributor and solutions provider, WF Senate Electrical.

Free electricity and 25 years guaranteed income!

Photovoltaics, or PV as the technology is more commonly known, is taking off on a huge scale all over the UK and appearing on the roof of houses and business premises in every town. The Government's Feed-in Tariff is the big attraction, as the panels not only provide free electricity but the owner of the premises is guaranteed to receive an annual payout for 25 years!

Specialist advice from Boggis and WF Senate

The club was keen to make energy and cost-savings, and approached Boggis Electrical to explore the possibility of exploiting their south-facing roof aspect by installing a PV panel array. For Boggis, it was the natural choice to contact WF Senate with whom they had enjoyed a 10 year relationship. The branch at Norwich had even trained an employee as a specialist in PV in order to support Boggis projects in the earliest days of the PV explosion!

So much more than a contractor...

Boggis Electrical have an established reputation since 1937, and have always diversified to meet the changing needs of their customers. They were among the first contractors to become PV experts, and continue to offer their core services with full certification in:

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PV investment was a 'no brainer'

The first step was to organise a feasibility study to establish whether the site was suitable, and WF Senate arranged for Ashley Langer, National Sales Manager to visit the club with Boggis to assess their requirements. Working in partnership, the Golf Club, contractor and distributor soon set out a clear project plan, product recommendation, costings, and most importantly to the club, the estimated income they could expect via the governments Feed-in Tariff scheme. They were delighted to learn that they would receive a guaranteed yearly payback of £1,500 over the next 25 years, and free supplementary electricity generated by the panels all year-round. They also discovered PV panels do continue to work whether sunny or cloudy and they would also be paid for any unused electricity generated. It was, as they say, a 'no-brainer', and the club committee approved the project to commence!

Job completed in 4 days

With WF Senate providing the products and project management from start to finish, the job was completed in 4 days, and needless to say the club was delighted with the result. With minimum disruption and low maintenance, the installation will prove to be a very sound investment, and payback via the Feed-in tariff will be achieved in 9 years.

A truly quality service

Boggis Electrical were among the first contractors to become experts in the 'solar field' and are now established installers with the backing of a leading distributor and solutions provider, giving their customers a truly quality service from start to finish.

A win-win situation for everyone

Boggis Director, Jeremy Turner told the EDP:

'All 3 organisations involved in the project were long-established, with traditional values, and an understanding of the importance of quality and standards in service, but at the same time, sharing a keen interest in exploring innovative products and solutions. This combination was a sure-fire recipe for success, and ensured that the project was executed efficiently from its inception right through to the installation stages. We are proud to be associated with projects that not only help our customers achieve a sound investment in today's tough economic climate, but also reduce their carbon footprint - all in all, it is a win-win situation for everyone involved!'

About Southwold Golf Club

The club was formed in 1884 and is the 4th oldest course in East Anglia, set out on Southwold Common in an area of outstanding natural beauty, with wonderful panoramic views across the heritage coast.

James Braid, 5 times winner of the Open Championship in the early part of the 20th century, was consulted on the course design, resulting in a course with 9 holes and 18 tees challenging golfers of all abilities.

The free-draining course allows play throughout the year, and boasts some of the finest greens in Suffolk, so why not combine a family trip to the attractive town of Southwold with a round of golf, and maybe check out the new PV installation on your visit - you will be sure of a warm welcome whatever the weather!

www.southwoldgolfclub.co.uk

So much more than a contractor...

WF Senate Electrical have over 100 years experience in the industry and in addition to their core electrical distribution business, have diversified in recent years to provide total solutions via specialist teams in:

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In April 2010, following an energy audit by the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership, Southwold Golf Club embarked on a program of energy saving measures to improve the efficiency of its clubhouse and facilities.

The installation of the Solar PV panels, to our roof, has been the next phase of this work to reduce cost from our energy consumption. The committee of the club received a number of quotations for this installation and were happy to accept a market competitive price from local contractor Boggis Electrical Ltd. Being sited in a landscape sensitive area (ANOB) great care was taken in the selection of which panels would provide the least impact on this environ. Sanyo 250W panels fitted this requirement, being black and sleek with little visible framing, but still providing us with top performance within the limited space available. With energy prices likely to continue to rise at above inflation rates for the foreseeable future this has not been a hard decision to make.

Our system should recover its capital cost within 8 - 9 years and then provide the club with a substantial saving return for the future, with little too no maintenance required. I as the lead officer on this project cannot praise Jeremy and his team at Boggis Electrical enough for the advice and professional service we have received throughout this process from concept to installation.

Should any members of the public wish to visit Southwold Golf Club to view our installation and or play a round of golf you would be most warmly welcomed.