CLASSIC COUNTRY HOTELS
How Classic Country Hotels’ Three Ways House found energy savings of £4,700 a year

By implementing three simple Carbon Trust recommendations Three Ways House of Classic Country Hotels will reduce their energy bills by £4,700 annually with a payback period of just over 4 years.

Three Ways House is a hotel situated in the small Cotswold village of Mickleton. Home to the aptly named ‘Pudding Club’, guests come from all over the world to experience a night of indulgent desserts. The hotel consists of 48 individually-styled bedrooms, seven of which are decorated with a pudding theme. Since buying Three Ways House in 1995, Jill and Simon Coombe have established the hotel within the Cotswold village, employing a team of 50 staff.

Following an application to the Carbon Trust Green Business Fund for a fully-funded onsite energy assessment, a Carbon Trust expert visited Classic Country Hotels and reported three key opportunities to save energy and associated carbon emissions.

The recommendations made were:

• Manage energy as a controllable resource
• Upgrade lighting to LED with controls
• Upgrade cellar cooling system

Classic Country Hotels could receive financial support in the form of a rebate from the Carbon Trust’s Green Business Fund worth up to 30% of the capital cost of the suggested projects. This equates to an estimated saving of £5,800, which would effectively reduce the payback period by over a year.

“The Carbon Trust’s energy assessment has been very useful in helping the business identify further ways that we can reduce our carbon footprint, and also reduce energy costs.”

Simon Coombe, Director of Three Ways House

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