

[EQUANS completes award-winning decarbonisation work across public buildings in Rochdale](#)

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EQUANS has completed energy efficiency work across seven sites in Rochdale, as part of the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) and Rochdale Borough Council's target of meeting carbon neutrality by 2038.

The Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme provides grants for public sector bodies to fund heat decarbonisation and energy efficiency measures. EQUANS previously supported Rochdale Borough Council with its application for PSDS funding and was then appointed to deliver the work.

The decarbonisation work has seen EQUANS work across public buildings such as schools, Middleton Arena, Rochdale Leisure Centre and the council's headquarters (No 1 Riverside) where a new Air Source Heat Pump has been installed. This technology, implemented across a number of key public buildings in the area, will help produce a sustainable source of energy and in-turn support the Council with their drive towards carbon neutrality.

The PSDS scheme also won the 'Best Value' award at the North West Regional Construction Awards 2022.

Alyson Seddon, Head of Education and Public Buildings at EQUANS, said: "We're delighted to have finished work on these important decarbonisation projects, utilising Public Sector Decarbonisation Funding to help the Council create more green energy for their public buildings. EQUANS is continuing to support their partners in making their buildings/properties more sustainable, and we're looking forward to completing more work like this in the future".

Councillor Tricia Ayrton, Rochdale Council's Assistant Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Environment, said: "It has been a considerable achievement working with EQUANS to install low-carbon technologies, such as Air Sourced Heat Pumps, in some of our schools and public buildings in a very short and demanding timescale. This will make a significant contribution to decarbonising our buildings and working towards our target of becoming carbon neutral by 2038".