

Sources of help and information

Organisations

AECB – The Sustainable Building Association

PO Box 32, Llandysul SA44 5ZA
Tel: 0845 456 9773 Web: www.aecb.net
Promotes the use of products and materials which are safe, healthy and sustainable; offers information and guidance about products, methods and projects.

BioRegional Reclaimed

24 Helios Road, BedZED,
Wallington, Surrey SM6 7BZ
Tel: 0208 404 4897 Fax: 0208 404 4893
Web: www.bioregional-reclaimed.com
Specialises in sourcing and supplying reclaimed building materials.

British Earth Sheltering Association

Tel/Fax: 01600 860359
Web: www.besa-uk.org
Encourages the design and construction of earth sheltered buildings in the UK.

Centre for Alternative Technology (CAT)

Machynlleth, Powys SY20 9AZ
Tel: 01654 705950 Fax: 01654 702782
Web: www.cat.org.uk
Publishes a wide range of information on environmentally sound building, renewable energy, water management and recycling. Also runs courses on eco building and related topics. Eco building consultancy service offers limited free help and advice to individuals.

Construction Resources Ltd

16 Great Guildford Street, London SE1 0HS
Tel: 0207 450 2211 Fax: 0207 450 2288
Web: www.constructionresources.com
Centre for ecological building selling a range of state-of-the-art building products and systems. Also runs courses on ecological building.

Energy Saving Trust

21 Dartmouth Street, London SW1H 9BP
Tel: 0207 222 0101 Fax: 0207 654 2460
Web: www.est.org.uk
For free advice on energy efficiency and insulation.

Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC)

11-13 Great Oak Street, Llanidloes SY18 6BU
Tel: 01686 413916 Fax: 01686 412176
Web: www.fsc-uk.org
A global forest certification and timber tracing system.

Green Building Store

Heath House Mill, Heath House Lane,
Bolster Moor, West Yorkshire HD7 4JW
Tel: 01484 461705 Fax: 01484 653765
Web: www.greenbuildingstore.co.uk
Sells a wide range of eco building materials.

Green Moves

Orchard Cottage, Charlynch, Somerset TA5 1BL
Tel: 0845 094 4663
Web: www.greenmoves.co.uk
A website dedicated to advertising energy efficient homes for sale.

Hockerton Housing Project

The Watershed, Gables Drive, Hockerton,
Southwell, Nottinghamshire NG25 0QU
Tel: 01636 816902
Web: www.hockertonhousingproject.org.uk
Free project summaries and information packs available to purchase online. Site visits by arrangement. Consultancy service and environmental building advice.

Listed Property Owners Club

Lower Dane, Hartlip, Kent ME9 7TE
Tel: 01795 844939 Fax: 01795 844862
Web: www.lpoc.co.uk
Provides information and guidance on all aspects of owning and maintaining a listed building. Annual membership £55.

The National Energy Foundation

Davy Avenue, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes MK5 8NG
Tel: 01908 665555 Fax: 01908 665577
Web: www.nef.org.uk
Promotes the use of renewable energy.

Natural Building Technologies Ltd

The Hangar, Worming Hall Road, Oakley,
Buckinghamshire HP18 9UL
Tel: 01844 338338 Fax: 01844 338525
Web: www.natural-building.co.uk
Advice and guidance on natural building materials and technologies, with information on local suppliers.

National Self Build Association

Tel: 01249 890731
Web: www.nasba.org.uk
Aims to raise the profile of self building, encourage best practice in self build and promote the release of more land for self build projects across the UK.

Organisations continued

SALVO

10 Barley Mow Passage, LONDON W4 4PH
Tel: 020 8400 6222 Fax: 020 3326 5518
Web: www.salvo.co.uk
Information on architectural salvage and reclaimed materials, with details of local suppliers.

SAVE Britain's Heritage

70 Cowcross Street, London EC1M 6EJ
Tel: 0207 253 3500 Fax: 0207 253 3400
Web: www.savebritainsheritage.org
Maintains a register of historic properties at risk in England and Wales (except London). A regularly updated website database can be accessed for £25 a year.

Scottish Civic Trust

The Tobacco Merchants House,
42 Miller Street, Glasgow G1 1DT
Tel: 0141 221 1466 Fax: 0141 248 6952
Web: www.scottishcivictrust.org.uk
Publishes an online register of Buildings at Risk.

Scottish Ecological Design Association

Web: www.seda.uk.net
Aims to share knowledge, skills and experience around ecological design.

Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB)

37 Spital Square, London E1 6DY
Tel: 0207 377 1644 Fax: 0207 247 5296
Web: www.spab.org.uk
Runs courses and publishes books on the repair and renovation of old houses, including traditional building methods such as cob, wattle & daub, etc.

Soil Association

South Plaza, Marlborough Street,
Bristol BS1 3NX
Tel: 0117 314 5000 Fax: 0117 314 5001
Web: www.soilassociation.org
Promotes and administers organic farming standards, providing information and guidance to individuals planning to go organic.

Thatching Advisory Services Ltd

Tel: 08455 204060 Fax: 01264 773836
Web: www.thatchingadvisoryservices.co.uk
Aims to promote thatching in the UK.

Ulster Architectural Heritage Society

66 Donegall Pass, Belfast BT7 1BU
Tel: 028 9055 0213 Fax: 028 9055 0214
Web: www.uahs.org.uk
Produces a catalogue of buildings at risk in Northern Ireland, available to download free of charge.

Walter Segal Self Build Trust

15 High Street, Belford,
Northumberland NE70 7NG
Tel: 01668 213 544
Web: www.segalselfbuild.co.uk
Reduced footprint homes, based on the post and beam method. Particularly suitable for sloping sites.

Womersleys

Walkley Lane, Heckmondwike,
West Yorkshire WF16 0PG
Tel: 01924 400651 Fax: 01924 403489
Web: www.womersleys.co.uk
Natural and eco-friendly building products and materials for historic building refurbishment.

Selected books and publications

Eco Store - Online book shop listing many more titles than we can mention here, from the Centre for Alternative Technology (see above).
Web: <http://store.cat.org.uk>

The Green Building Bible - Published annually, with a listing of ecobuilders, architects, plumbers etc. Available in two volumes (£9.95 each or £17 for the set) from The Green Building Press, PO Box 32, Llandysul, Carmarthenshire SA44 5ZA.
Web: www.greenbuildingpress.co.uk

Green Building Magazine - Quarterly magazine published by The Green Building Press (see left).

Newbuilder GreenPro - An online internet library of eco-building products and source listing. Web: www.newbuilder.co.uk

The Whole House Book - by Cindy Harris and Pat Borer Price £35 + £4 p&p from Mail Order Department, Centre for Alternative Technology (see above).

Other magazines which may be of interest and which are available from newsagents: **Build It, Self-Build & Design** and **Homebuilding and Renovating**.
Further links to useful websites can be found on our website www.ecology.co.uk