

It's early days-our system has been in operation for only a week- but we are already excited by the prospect of generating electricity (34 units so far). When I tell friends that we are now classified as a Green Power Station they blink and look at me in amazement. A friend who had spotted our installation greeted me in the supermarket with the words "you must be disappointed the sun isn't shining !"

We already have experience of a solar system to heat water so why not, we thought, have a solar system to generate electricity. When the sums were done they indicated an excellent, tax-free, return on capital, the system fitted neatly on our South facing roof, it significantly reduced our carbon footprint and didn't spoil the look of our old house. There did not seem to be any negatives so we went ahead and had the 16 panel system installed.