



ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING SURVEYS.

Green GEN Cymru (Green Generation Energy Networks Cymru), is part of the Windward Energy group. We're developing a stronger, more resilient renewable electricity network that is greatly needed in Wales – distributing clean, green energy.

When planning our projects, we need to carry out a number of surveys to help inform both the scheme's design and the Environmental Impact Assessment.

To help us develop our proposals and understand potential mitigation required we need to survey a wide area.

These surveys include geology, ecology, and land use. If we request to do surveys on your land, it does not necessarily mean that we are planning infrastructure on the land.

Surveys may be required for environmental, ecological, archaeological and engineering reasons; most will be *non-intrusive* (walk over), but for some *intrusive* surveys we may need to drill boreholes or dig trial pits.

Some ecological surveys can only be carried out at a particular time of the year, or at night, when certain species (such as bats and newts) are more active.

1. Landowners and Occupiers

We work closely with landowners and occupiers to ensure that surveys are carried out, wherever possible, at appropriate times and with as little inconvenience as possible.

We work hard to secure a voluntary access agreement with the owner/occupier wherever we can, and we normally issue a Land Interest Questionnaire (LIQ) at the same time to help us identify all parties with a legal interest in the land.

We always discuss access procedures and routes for surveys with the landowner or occupier before accessing the land. Typically, we would give at least 48 hours prior notice and provide details of the type of survey, the area it will cover and the contractor who will carry it out.

Together with our consultants and our contractors we will be responsible for our own safety while carrying out surveys, but we ask owners and occupiers to let us know if they believe there are any potentially hazardous features or substances present.

2. Payment of Surveys and Investigative Works

The sums detailed are not payments for the grant of access rights, but are advance compensations for potential damage and disturbance from survey and investigation work.

We will make the following advanced compensation payments:

NON-INTRUSIVE SURVEYS

<u>Per Land Holding</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Per 12-month period	£500
If night-time visits are required (21:00 - 06:00) an additional £250 for up to 6 nights visits per land holding.	

BOREHOLES

<u>Borehole</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Per Borehole	£350

3. Payment of Professional Fees

We also pay reasonable professional fees as detailed below for advice and assistance in relation to both compilation of the LIQ and the voluntary survey access licence.

PROFESSIONAL FEES

A fixed fee of **£250** per land holding in relation to survey and investigation works.

A fixed fee of **£150** per Person with an Interest with Land (PIL) to assist completion of the Landowner Information Questionnaire (LIQ).

TRIAL PITS

<u>Trial Pit</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Per Trial Pit	£350

WATER MONITORING EQUIPMENT

<u>Gauge</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Per Gauge per 12-month period to cover any site visits	£150

Compensation in excess of the above figures is to be agreed on an individual basis on production of evidence and proof of loss.

SURVEY LICENCE SIGNING FEE

<u>One-off fee</u>	<u>Rate</u>
In addition, a one-off licence signing fee will be made if the licence is signed within two months of issue.	£250

