

Innovation and CCS Working Group

The Battersea Power Station Phase 3 project has brought together a group specifically tasked with nurturing innovation on the project. This team consists of the Client representative, Construction Manager and a selection of engaged Trade Contractors.

This group challenges the industry norms and in the twelve months leading up to the summer of 2021 had supported the implementation of over 50 best practice/innovative initiatives on the project.

This model is widely replicable and is highly effective due to there being a range of various different parties who are all exposed to different challenges from which opportunities present themselves. These opportunities are then brought to the team for discussion in sessions held at least every month, and practical solutions are implemented through the supply chain with the support of all members of the team.

A sample of opportunities identified and initiatives undertaken as a result of this include:

- Inclusion workshops and interactive board games.
- Canteen classes – helping with operatives English if this is not their first language.
- Free training for use of podiums on the project.
- Local offsetting as part of the project Net Zero Carbon initiative.
- Use of electric forklifts on the project.
- Implementation of a series of newsletters which are distributed to all project team members.
- Pictorial Method Statement boards.
- A listening room to provide a safe space for people to talk about mental health.
- Engagement with local food banks.

This collaborative way of working, towards the same goal of improving our industry has undoubtedly raised the standard across the project and made an immeasurable impact on the project as being the best place to work.