THE POWER OF CONNECTION: ASKAUTHOR JOINS C.H.E.E.S.E. NON-EXEC DIRECTOR BOARD

THE IMPACT

Once you create relationships and connections, you can never tell where they will go. Often, they become beneficial in ways you could never have predicted. That is what happened to C.H.E.E.S.E. and Joshua Mudie. Joshua, who started as an AskAuthor at AskingBristol, has discovered the profound impact of his connections. His civil engineering expertise is now playing an important role in helping C.H.E.E.S.E. to develop their unique thermal-imaging surveys that are empowering homeowners across Bristol to keep warm, save money and reduce their carbon footprint.



THE STORY

For eight years, C.H.E.E.S.E. has been working with trusted local community organisations to develop a unique thermal survey system to identify energy loss from homes. After finishing his PhD in Civil Engineering at Bristol, and completing his work with C.H.E.E.S.E as an AskAuthor, Joshua kept in touch with CEO Mike Andrews and checked in on the progress of the project. When C.H.E.E.S.E. decided to restructure their board and sought individuals with knowledge in engineering and finance, Mike reached out to Joshua. Recognising his unique skill set, Mike offered Joshua the opportunity to join the board and become Treasurer. Joshua's journey from providing his engineering skillset as an AskAuthor to becoming a key decision maker on the board of C.H.E.E.S.E. showcases the power of meaningful connections and the immense impact that can be made when expertise and passion converge. Here, AskingBristol facilitated an initial connection, which has blossomed into a long-term, productive relationship.

"Thanks to the connection we made through AskingBristol, we are delighted to welcome Joshua as the newest addition to our board. With his engineering mindset and financial acumen, we recognised that he could greatly benefit our organisation in the role of Treasurer. It's a role he has graciously accepted, bringing oversight and financial governance expertise to guide our financial strategies for the future. We're thrilled to have him on board and look forward to witnessing the positive impact of his contributions in the coming months."

- Mike Andrews, Managing Director, C.H.E.S.E

"The journey from helping C.H.E.S.E. as an AskAuthor to becoming a Treasurer on its board has been remarkable. Having gained finance and accounting experience through my work, what started off as something transactional has now led to me being involved in shaping the financial strategy of C.H.E.E.S.E., leveraging both my financial and engineering skills for the betterment of the organisation's mission."



The Cold Homes Energy Efficiency Survey Experts (C.H.E.E.S.E.) Project is a Bristol-based not-for-profit CIC that aims to reduce domestic energy losses at low cost — starting at just £135 and free to those in poor housing conditions and fuel poverty. Its unique thermal-imaging surveys identify where your home is losing heat and suggests remedies. This gives you the information you need to make low-cost impactful remedies to save money, improve comfort and reduce energy consumption.

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- Joshua Mudie, Treasurer, C.H.E.E.S.E

