



#destinationbootle

**SAFE**

**Regeneration**

Case Study

## The Project

Destination Bootle is the proposed sustainable, landscape-led development aiming to create a better place for people to live, work and create in a deprived area of Liverpool. Working in partnership with Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council, and the Canals and Rivers Trust, SAFE have created a masterplan for the area which includes:

- A pub and canal-side eatery with guest accommodation.
- Creating a canal discovery centre (including water-based heritage narrow boat trips, canoe club & cycle hire).
- Creating workspaces for small/medium creative individuals and organisations.
- Approximately 200 homes (with a self-build, community led element).

## Our Role

Ener-Vate has been involved with the Leeds Pipes project since 2018 and continue to be a key member of the Leeds Pipes team in supporting the development of new connections onto the network. We take an integrated team approach with all of our clients, and Leeds Pipes is no exception. Our primary role is to facilitate and progress any new enquiries from developers in and around the city centre and be the point of contact between Leeds City Council, Vital Energi and Leeds Pipes.

After initial data gathering exercises are completed by a potential customer, Ener-Vate hosts several sessions with prospective developers to understand their requirements, drivers, and constraints and to field any queries/reservations which they may hold.

As part of the process, we work with developers to understand their counterfactual technology and build a comparator model which attempts to predict any potential commercial and carbon savings as a result of a connection into our network.

This is an open-book, transparent process which allows the developer to understand the benefits of connecting into the Leeds Pipes network clearly and numerically. The comparator then forms part of the connection proposal, which we draft to include the connection fee proposal from Vital Energi as well as any commercial terms agreed.

Following acceptance of the connection proposal, we support Leeds City Council in the drafting and negotiation of the Heads of Terms, Heat Sale Agreement and Connection Agreements.

## End Result

As of 2022, we have helped to connect several businesses and developments across the Leeds City Centre including Quarry House, Leeds Beckett University and Trinity Academy – as well as numerous public buildings. We anticipate our relationship and partnership between Leeds City Council and Vital Energi to prosper further in 2022 and years following, as we continue our success in the development and expansion of the Leeds Pipes network.