

Benefits of strategic estate management

Taking a strategic approach to your estate management can have a positive impact on your organisation across a number of areas.

Save money by...

Reducing running costs – Prevention is better than cure: [some studies](#) show that over a 30-year period, the operational costs for a building can be 5 to 10 times as much as the initial capital cost.

Getting better deals & spreading the costs- Procuring efficiently, scheduling repairs over the year and planning ahead can help you get the best deals with the best value.

- Example: over 3,300 schools have benefitted from [deals for printing and photocopying](#), with savings of up to 40%

Making better investment decisions - A well-managed estate helps you to prioritise investment and get value for money from your capital expenditure.

- Example: [find out](#) how three multi-academy trusts worked together to produce a benchmarking tool to help them plan their capital spending.

Prioritising your maintenance - Planning your maintenance needs will help with prioritising it effectively, which is better for your budget, can prevent unexpected repair costs, and minimise disruption to teaching and learning.

Have safer and healthier schools with...

Fewer accidents – Poorly maintained buildings increase the risk of accidents and potential liabilities. Good estate management enables you to keep on top of your statutory responsibilities as an organisation, maintaining a safe, compliant estate.

Improved morale & outcomes - Safe, appealing and maintained learning and teaching environments are better for staff and pupil wellbeing and progress.

- Example: poor condition has a negative impact on teacher retention – a recent RIBA [survey](#) found that 1 in 5 teachers have considered quitting because of building condition.



A good impression - well-designed and maintained facilities can be linked to levels of attainment and will give a good impression of the school and its ethos to parents, students, staff and visiting officials.

Run sustainable and efficient schools that...

Use less energy and water - Good energy and water management can save 10% to 30% of the energy and water costs for a school, as well as being beneficial to the environment.

- Example: [find out](#) how one school expects to reduce their energy bill by over £60,000 over the next 5 years

Increase environmental awareness - Adopting sustainable and efficient habits in schools will increase awareness amongst pupils and staff and will help the environment.