

# STRATHMORE HOTELS



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Dear Guests

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Strathmore Hotels has committed itself to transferring from Gas mains to Biomass as its main source of heat energy. We have been researching and exploring this energy source for some 18 months.

## Benefits of using biomass as a sustainable fuel

- **Correctly managed, biomass is a sustainable fuel that can offer a wide range of benefits: Biomass is a “carbon lean” fuel producing a fraction of the Carbon emissions of fossil fuels.**
- **Biomass can be sourced locally, from within the UK, on an indefinite basis, contributing to security of supply.**
  - **UK sourced biomass can offer local business opportunities and support the rural economy.**
  - **The establishment of local networks of production and usage, allows financial and environmental costs of transport to be minimized. There is no region in the UK that cannot be a producer of biomass.**
  - **The use of biomass fuel provides an economic incentive to manage woodland which improves biodiversity.**
  - **Many biomass fuels generate lower levels of such atmospheric pollutants as sulphur dioxide, that contributes to 'acid rain'. Modern biomass combustion systems are highly sophisticated, offering combustion efficiency and emission levels comparable with the best fossil fuel boilers**

(Source: Biomass Energy Centre)

Strathmore Hotels are committed to Green Tourism and helping the sustainability of the planet wherever possible whilst maintaining warm buildings for the benefit of our guests.

We are sure you agree that this is an exciting and positive step and we look forward to completing the transition over the coming year.

With Kind Regards,

The Strathmore Hotels Team

