There has been a general trend of improvement in our DEC ratings since 2012. COVID-19 impacted on this year’s rating, and whereas last year 75% of our buildings were better than “typical”, 86% were this year.

The quality of the data we use to calculate DECs continues to improved, giving us more meaningful ratings which we can compare year on year.

Chancellor’s maintained its ‘A’ rating.
Significantly reduced operations
Upgraded lighting and controls at Edith

Ratings for most properties impacted by COVID-19 closure from mid-March 2020.

Solar panels back on line at Carrington Aug 2019 reducing use of ‘imported’ electricity
Upgraded lighting and controls in 2019/20, as well as reduced operations
Solar panels back on line at Estates Aug 2019 reducing use of ‘imported’ electricity
Metering issues at Library mean use estimated this year
Lyle’s electricity use is always high because it hosts IT server equipment.
The University’s response to Covid-19 has had a mixed impact on the DEC ratings this year. Reduced occupation of buildings has reduced electricity use but several buildings had increased heat use because of alterations to the ventilation strategy in an effort to minimise the risk of build-up of the virus indoors. 89% of buildings have DECs that are better than ‘typical’.

Partial closure of several buildings in response to Covid-19 resulted in lower ratings this year.

Improved data collection provides a more accurate rating.

First rating of the Health & Life Sciences building.

Increased ventilation in response to Covid-19 raised heating energy use in several buildings.

There are now 2 A-rated buildings.