## Weekly Energy Market Report

Both gas and electricity prices dropped this week with gas dropping by $17 \%$ and electricity by $14.9 \%$ compared to last week's prices. A much larger increase in wind generation than was forecast helped drive gas prices down as demand for gas dropped sharply. Additional LNG deliveries expected at the end of this week as well as weaker trading within the carbon market also pushed gas prices lower.

Electricity prices again followed the trend of the gas market as prices dropped throughout the week. Forecasts of higher temperatures, increased imports from France and nuclear outages ending at Torness and Sizewell also pushed prices lower.

The price of Brent crude oil dropped throughout this week from $\$ 77.12 / \mathrm{bbl}$ to $\$ 72.26 / \mathrm{bbl}$. Prices were heavily influenced by the Bank of England increasing interest rates higher than was expected and raising recession concerns. Other European countries also raising interest rates as well as a growth in US oil reserves also had an impact on the rise in prices.

Coal prices dropped throughout most of this week from $\$ 116.75 / \mathrm{t}$ to $\$ 114.60 / \mathrm{t}$ before increasing to $\$ 115.00 / \mathrm{t}$. Carbon similarly dropped from $€ 90.55 / \mathrm{t}$ to $€ 87.83 / \mathrm{t}$ before increasing back to $€ 88.48 / \mathrm{t}$.

The Pound weakened against both the Euro ( $€ 1.1673$ to $€ 1.1603$ ) and the US Dollar (\$1.2747 to \$1.2708) this week.

YEAR AHEAD PRICING (ENERGY ONLY)
$\longrightarrow$ Average Electricity Price ( $£ / \mathrm{MWh}) \quad$ Average Gas Price (p/therm)



