

# ADEPT climate change webinar

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# Agenda

10:00	Welcome and introductions	Nigel Riglar ADEPT President
10:05	Committee on climate change: local delivery of net zero	Louise Marix Evans
10:35	Introducing the <a href="#">Blueprint for accelerating climate action and a green recovery at the local level</a>	Cara Jenkinson Cities Manager, <a href="#">Ashden</a>
11:00	Where next for ADEPT's climate change work?	Sue Halliwell ADEPT SE Board Co-Chair
11:25	Thanks and close	Chair

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# Local Delivery of Net Zero

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Louise Marix Evans

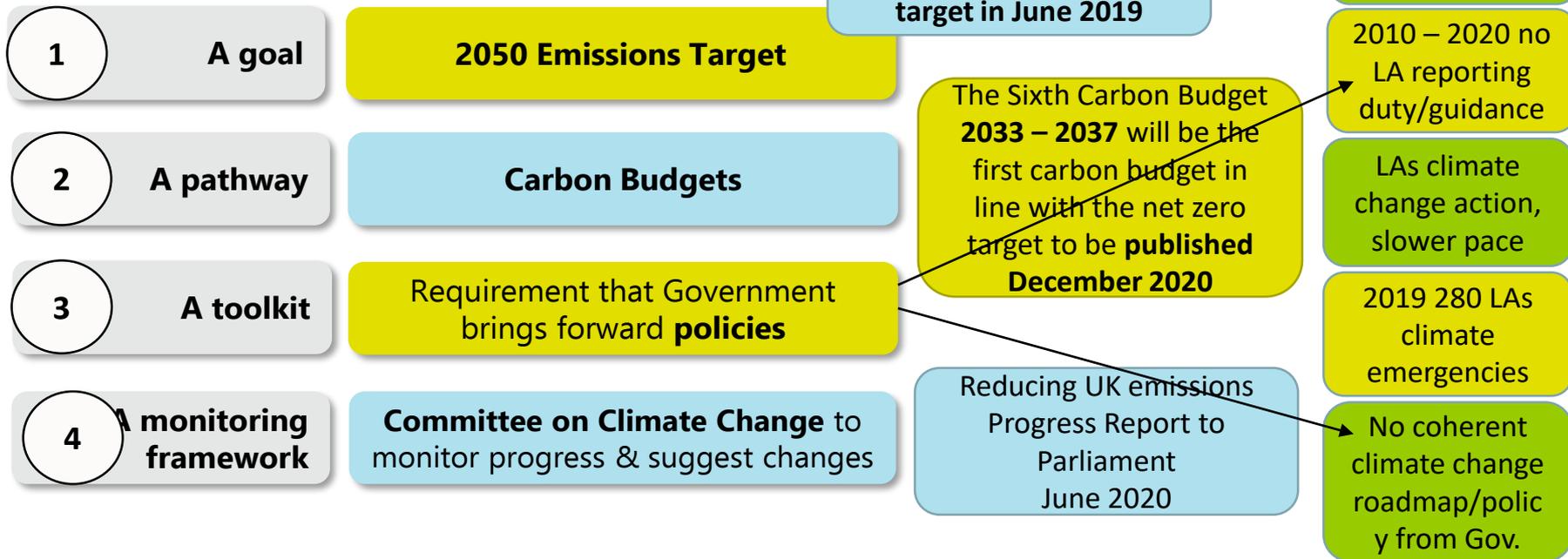
## **Purpose of this presentation is to explain:**

- The CCC's role in providing advice to the government
- The CCC approach to the sixth carbon budget
- How the CCC is looking at local delivery
- Priority actions that Local Authorities should be taking
- CCC recommendations to government

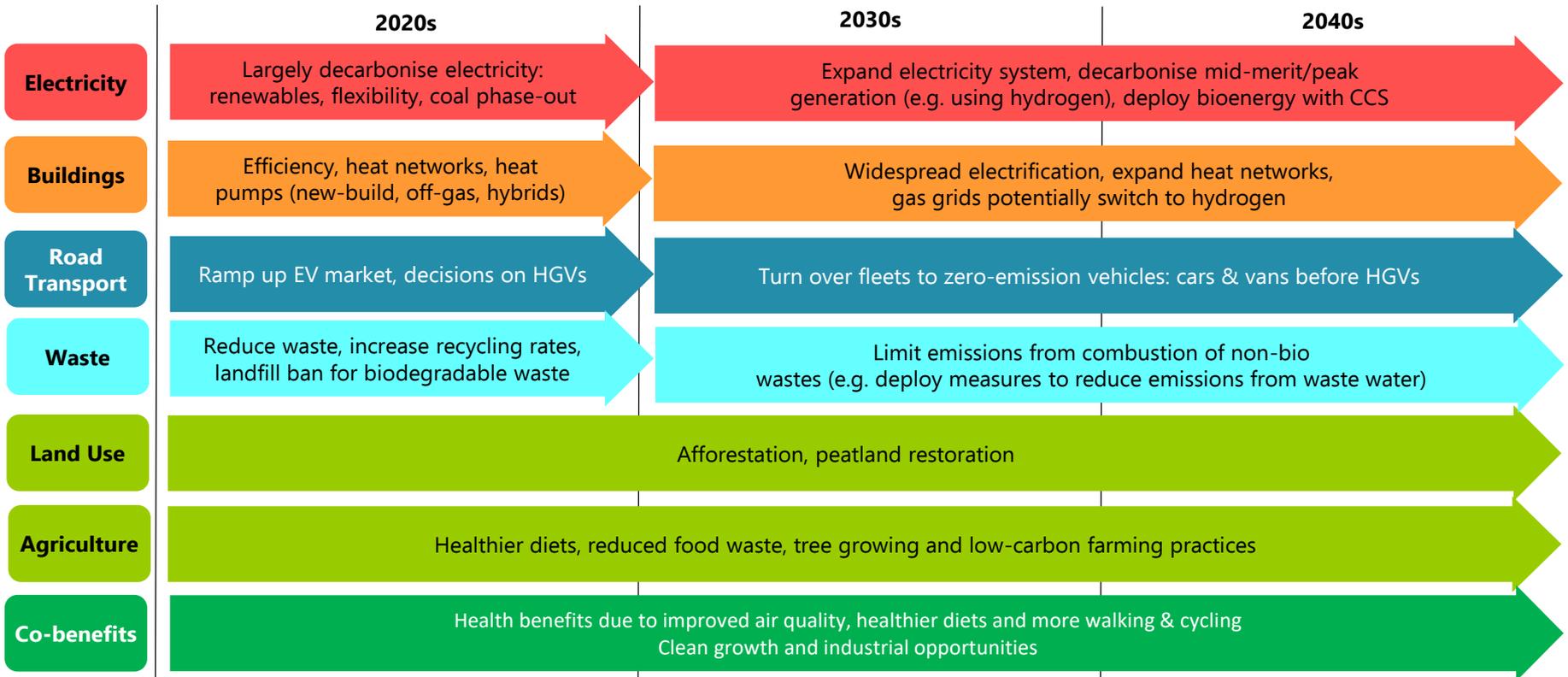
# The CCC, Government and Local Authority roles (in England)



## The Climate Change Act 2008



# How the CCC looks at the pathways to Net Zero



## The Sixth Carbon Budget will have four scenarios; assumptions on carbon values, energy costs & types, co- benefits etc

### **Net Zero report**

“We are confident that Net Zero 2050 is possible, and the Government should legislate a target”

### **Headwinds, People and Innovation pathways**

“There are a range of different ways to meet Net Zero, with common elements between each pathway”

### **6<sup>th</sup> Carbon Budget Pathway**

“In order keep open a range of ways of achieving Net Zero, this is what the Government must do between now and 2037”

### **Max**

“If absolutely everything goes right, what could the end result be in 2037/2050? At what point would we have enough information to recommend a tighter targets?”

- More reference to Local Government and private sector in delivery
- Specific recommendations to government departments
- Examples from Local Government and **recognition of strong progress** over the last decade Box 6.1 Local Delivery of emissions reductions
- Call for government to support and resource area-wide low carbon action plans
- Local Authority has no reporting duty and lacks standardised reporting
- National co-ordination and framework for local delivery of Net Zero is required with local flexibility
- LAs need to develop plans appropriate to local area and be facilitated in coordinating with decisions on a larger scale, on waste, local area action plans, hydrogen strategies

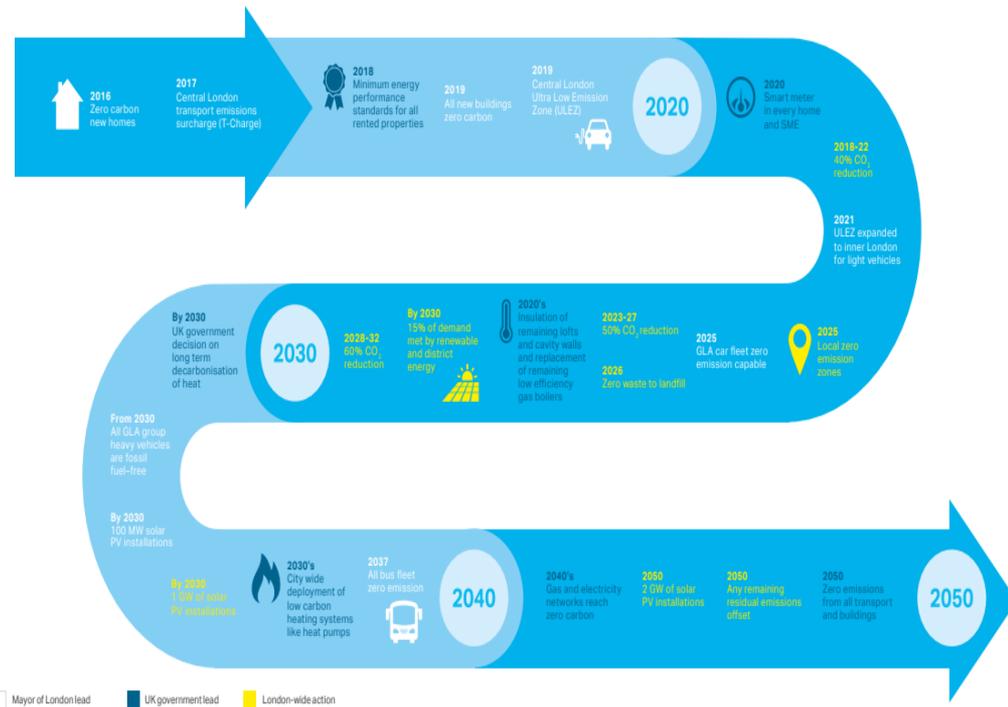
## Areas where local-level policy has a key role to play – misses leadership/convening/influencing role

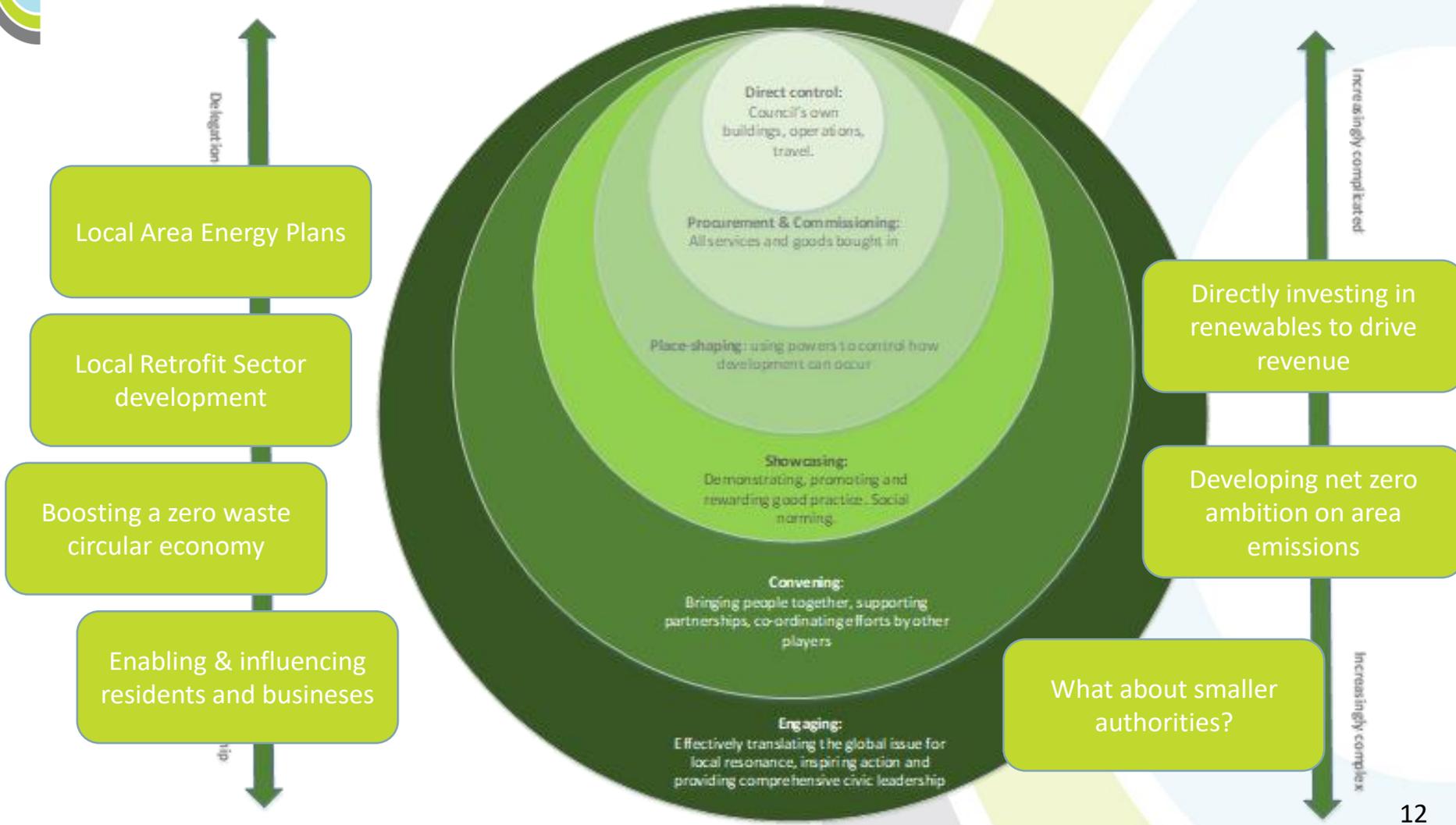
	Nationally driven	Locally driven
Buildings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building regulations</li> <li>• National Planning Policy f/wk &amp; guidance</li> <li>• National retrofit funding programme</li> <li>• Introduction of Building Green Passports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Planning Authority: Local Plan – net zero hooks</li> <li>• <b>Local area energy plans (LAEPs)/heat mapping for heat decarbonisation</b> (e.g. heat pumps, low-carbon heat networks, hydrogen) gas phase out by 2033?</li> <li>• No gas boilers in new homes from 2025</li> <li>• <b>Energy Efficiency retrofit in social and council homes</b></li> <li>• Energy efficiency in private rented sector ?</li> <li>• Energy efficiency retrofit supply chain supported ?</li> </ul>
Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All car/van sales electric by 2035 at latest</li> <li>• Transport infrastructure funding from DoT</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Transport planning, walking &amp; cycling infrastructure</b></li> <li>• <b>EV charging infrastructure</b> new developments &amp; on-street-parking)</li> <li>• Switch to ultra-low emission buses/taxis through licensing or clean air zones</li> </ul>
Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No bio-degradable waste to landfill by 2025</li> <li>• 70% recycling rate by 2030 at latest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandatory separation of waste by 2023</li> <li>• Alert to rising emissions from unabated EfW facilities</li> <li>• Waste minimisation schemes incl food waste reduction</li> </ul>
Landuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 30,000ha afforestation annually</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tree planting</b> including on county farms &amp; own land</li> </ul>

# Local Authorities' placed based pathways to Net Zero; Different scopes and different pathways



expanded down from the energy, businesses, communities, boroughs and national government.





- Duty to produce low carbon area plans with common **reporting framework & resources**
  - Consistent net zero compliant clear policy and resourcing from all government departments, esp MHCLG, Defra, DoT, Treasury and BEIS +
  - Delivery framework & routemap – outcome-based with flexible options for locally appropriate delivery – **pioneer LAs can go faster** – align to LA decision timelines: as Local Plans last for 10 years; Road investment 15 years ahead; EfW contracts 25 years; procurement decisions alignment to net zero needed now
  - **Strengthen emissions reductions & co-benefits in business cases** (Treasury Green Book, CBA vs Carbon impact assessments, Financial appraisal decision wheel, carbon accounting) to enable net zero aligned spending
  - Support for **Local Area Energy Plans** and capacity building/training for LAs
  - **Large scale investment** in retrofit, heat decarbonisation infrastructure, public transport and flexibility to combine and deploy budgets locally
  - Support to **resource** and develop **skills and capacity** within local authorities/groups of smaller LAs and to **share lessons** (not just nice case studies)
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# Q&A

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Cara Jenkinson,  
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A blueprint for accelerating climate action and a green recovery at the local level



With support from the Local Government Association,  
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## Applications open for the 2020 Ashden Awards

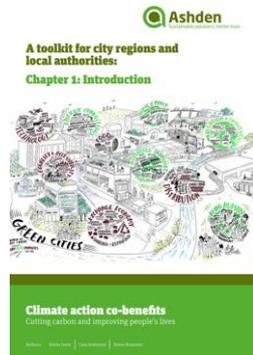
As the urgency of the climate crisis we face becomes clearer, and deadlines for meeting targets nearer, we are looking for solutions that leave no-one behind. From fuel poverty, to access to clean, affordable electricity - energy underpins good healthcare, education and employment.

**Apply by 11 December 2019**



# Net-zero towns and cities – a strategic approach

**Why**  
(business case)



Citizen engagement

**Change model**  
(co-benefits)

**What**  
(climate action plans)



**How**  
(speed & scale)

LA Hubs

LA Webinars  
(green recovery)

Shovel ready projects

National asks

North of Tyne CA



Winners  
Networks  
Partners

Blueprint for  
a local green  
recovery



## 5 immediate priorities

1. Invest in low-carbon and climate-resilient **infrastructure**
2. Support **reskilling, retraining and research** to accelerate the move to a net-zero economy
3. Upgrade **our homes** to ensure they are fit for the future
4. Make it easy for people to **walk, cycle, and work remotely**
5. Accelerate **tree planting, peatland restoration, green spaces** and other green infrastructure

## 7 themes

Theme 1 Growing the zero and low carbon economy

Theme 2 Retrofitting homes and buildings

Theme 3 Decarbonising transport

Theme 4 Delivering zero carbon planning and development that protects and enhances nature

Theme 5 Reducing waste and encouraging sustainable consumption

Theme 6 Restoring nature for all

Theme 7 Developing LA funding, governance and accounting systems that are fit for purpose

# Retrofitting homes and other buildings

- Provide resources and support for LEPs and LAs to produce local area energy plans
- Strengthen the Minimum Energy Efficiency Regulations to allow stronger enforcement by providing funding and data
- Reform planning system and building regs to enable LAs to require installation of energy efficiency measures when owners are upgrading properties.

# 'Soft' launch of Blueprint - 23 June

- Letter to PM plus BEIS, MHCLG, Transport, Defra, the Chancellor – calling for joint local / central government taskforce on climate change
- Summary sent to SPADs, Conservative Environment Network, select committee chairs also senior civil servants across Whitehall
- London Councils emailed to its 4,000 councillors
- ADEPT shared with place directors across the country
- FoE shared with members, other NGOs
- Publicity – articles in The MJ, Environment Journal, LGA *First* magazine

# What's next?

- Securing sign-up by LGA & London Councils
- Broader sign up by individual councils, NGOs & academia, professional bodies like TCPA
- Reaching out to chairs of relevant APPGs
- Responding to committee inquiries, consultations
- Follow up with key gov't departments
- Making November 2020 a key moment:
  - A year till COP26
  - Relaunch revised blueprint with more signatories
  - Webinar(s)
  - Case studies

# What's next?

## 2. What impact do you think there been on your residents' views on climate change?



## 3. Is your council actively planning a green recovery?

Stop Share Results

Re-launch Polling

# Thank you



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# Q&A

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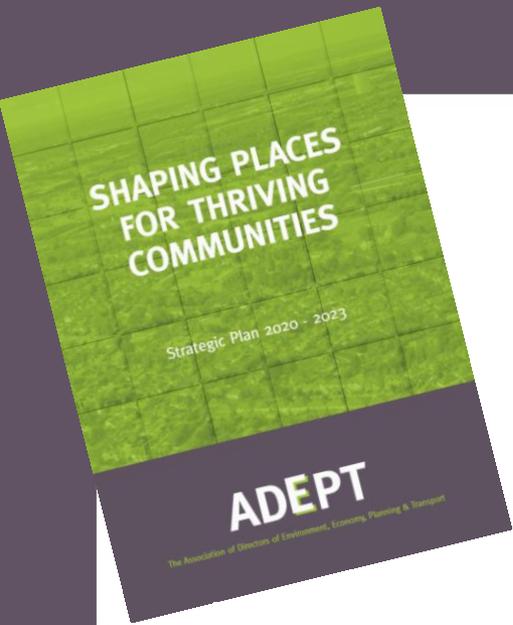
# **Susan Halliwell**

**Director for Planning and Place,  
Oxfordshire County Council**

**Co-Chair, South East Board**

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# Climate change: a strategic priority

## LAs: main influences



 **LEAD**  
In our own operations

 **ENABLE**  
a low carbon region with our programmes, policies and decisions

 **INSPIRE**  
Business and residents to take climate action themselves

# Actions to date



- **Resources:** Climate Change hub
- **Publications:** policy positions, discussion papers, blogs, toolkit
- **Events:** internal workshops, external conferences
- **L&D:** green finance
- **R&D:** Live Lab proposal
- **Advisory Panel**
- **Partnership working:** local government & green groups
- **Engagement:** with Government / R&D

# Some common themes & challenges

- How to turn a Climate Emergency Declaration into action?
- Funding squeeze for place services – reduced capacity
- Complex marketplace of advice and support for councils
- Gov't departments are keen to tap into our knowledge
- Scale & pace – moving beyond case studies to find things that have a big impact and quickly
- Engaging communities in shaping and delivering local action
- Governance – local and national – complexity of tiers, politics, departmentalism

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# Forward programme (proposed)

- Review all policy positions to ‘net zero proof’ them
- Publish active travel & e-scooter policy positions
- Run remaining regional workshops
- EiPL session 4: master class on climate change
- Develop communications strategy for COP26
- Net Zero / Economic Restart Live Lab
- Green finance training with CIPFA
- Public speaking opportunities
- Responding to consultations & inquiries
- Update & relaunch the coalition blueprint

**Thank you!**

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