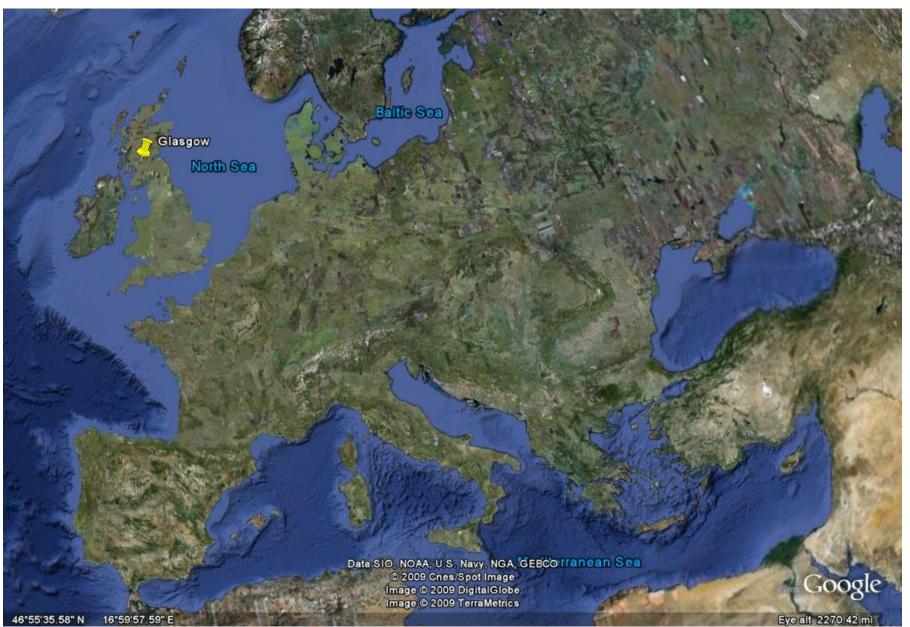




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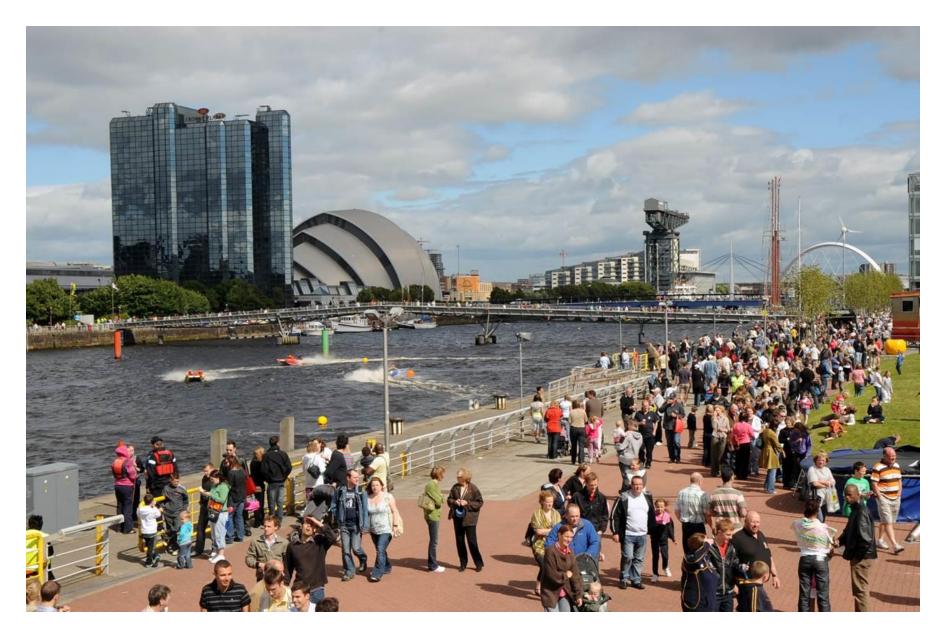














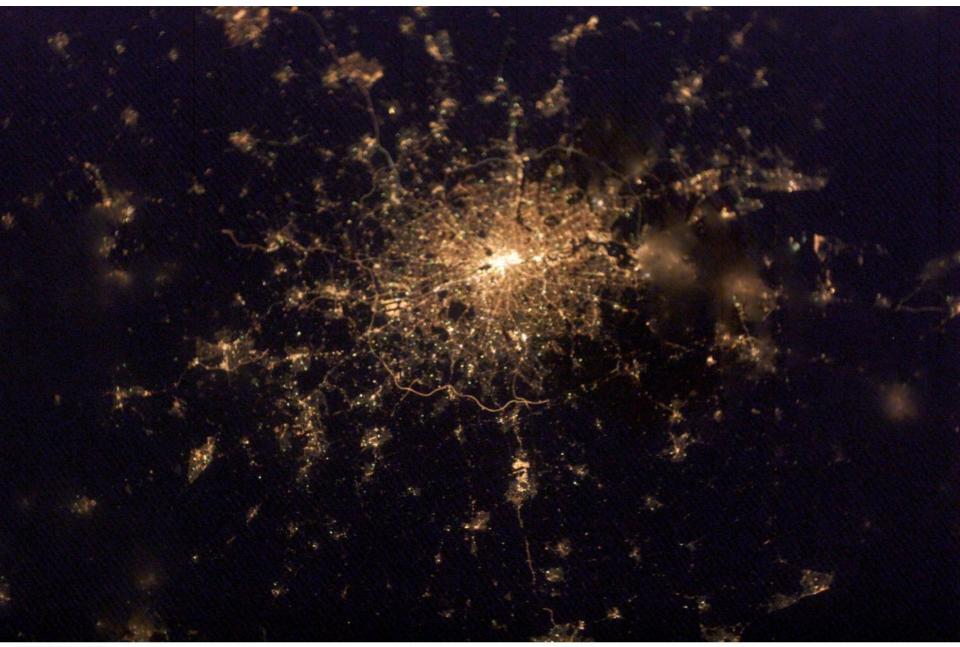


#### **Institute: Mission and Vision**



# **Future Cities Themes**

- Sustainability
- Resilience
- Health and Wellbeing
- Urban Design and migration
- Smart cities: business and public service innovation



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# **Growing Economic Dominance**

- Cities currently generate over 80% of global GDP
- 120 cities in the world generate \$20.2 trillion in GDP – or 29% of global total
- To 2025, 600 cities will account for nearly 65 percent of global GDP growth
- Boston Consulting Group considers the rise of cities to be the "single largest commercial growth opportunity globally in the decade ahead"
- The global market for smart cities solutions alone is estimated at £200 billion per annum



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# The Growth of Cities

Developments in social systems are also essential

Social structures
Codes of behaviour
Systems of government
Systems of law

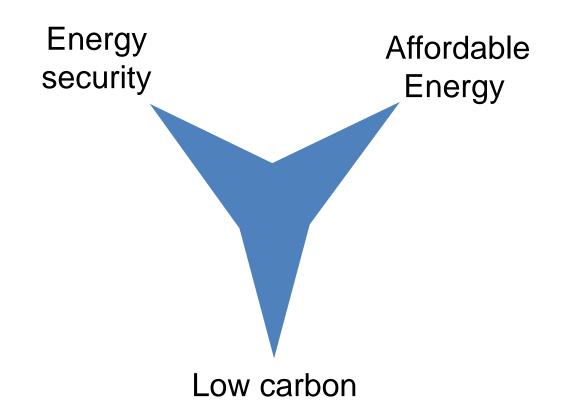


## **Cities as a solution**

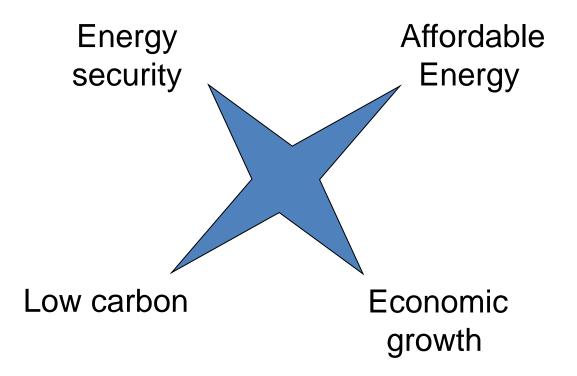
### **Cities offer opportunities:**

- to tackle poverty
- improve health and education
- deliver economic growth
- reduce environmental impacts

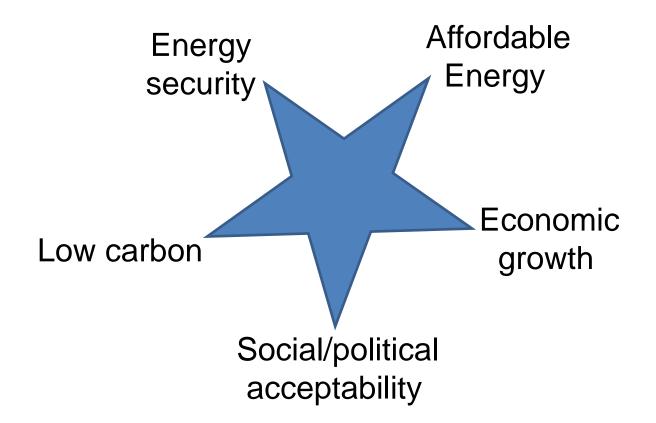
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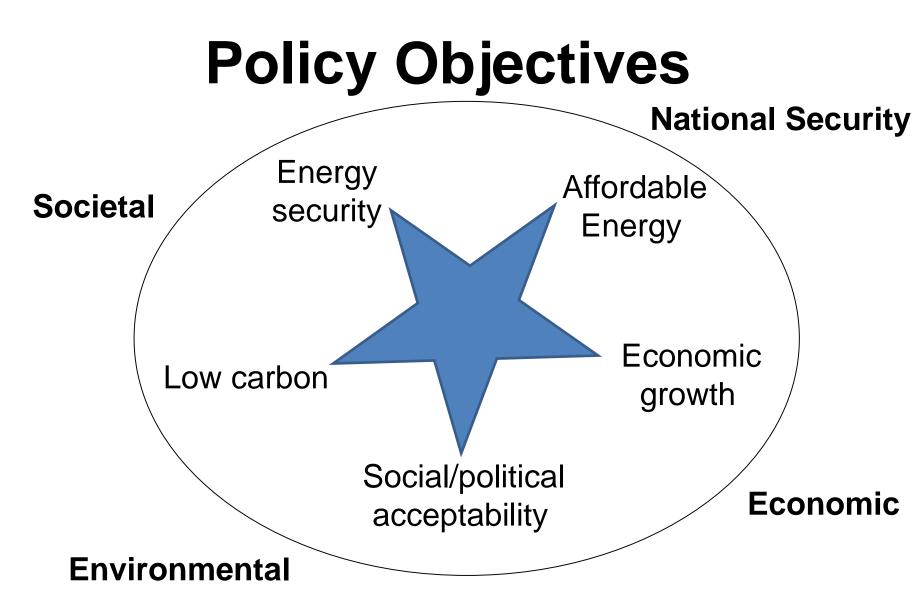
# **Policy Objectives**





## Not one public – many publics





# UK city sustainability issues

- Economic growth
- Demographic change
- Decarbonisation of energy systems
- High energy costs
- Fuel poverty

# Example sustainability policy objectives

- Achieve net zero carbon
- Reduce energy poverty
- Generate green jobs
- Improve environmental quality
  - Improve air quality
  - Access to green spaces
  - Reduce noise pollution
  - Enhance biodiversity

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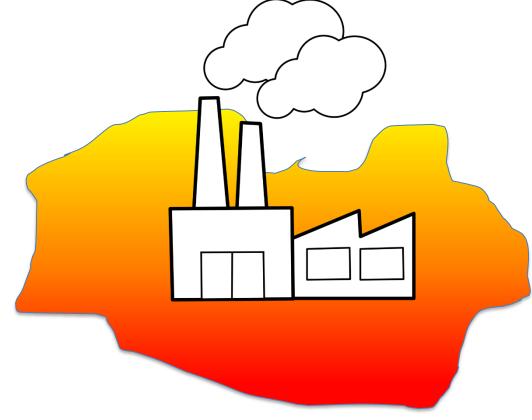
- Achieve net zero carbon
  - Generate more renewable energy
  - Improve energy efficiency
  - Abandon use of high carbon fuels
  - Adopt sustainable transport systems
  - Reduce use of high carbon goods/services

## **Glasgow's Overall Target**

• Achieve net zero carbon by 2030



• Just the carbon emitted within Glasgow's boundaries?





### What do we mean by carbon neutrality?

 Or the carbon footprint of the goods and services consumed by Glasgow?





## Full carbon <u>footprint</u> neutrality currently extremely difficult to achieve in practice



### Achieving geographic carbon neutrality

- Not Easy
- Not Cheap
- Not Quick
- Is achievable but will require:
  - > large scale investment
  - significant policy change
  - > action over a period of decades

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- But the city has limited control

# Cities rely on critical systems - but have limited control

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# **Policy levers**

### **Example Policy interventions**

- Regulation (planning, environmental)
- Changes in public procurement policy
- Direct investment in infrastructure/pilots/demonstrators
- Direct public ownership (eg of energy and transportation systems)
- Delivery of enabling infrastructure and services
- Taxation changes
- Promotion of behavioural change

### Long term softer levers

- Strategic planning
- Persuasion/influencing/facilitation
- Vision/leadership
- Education and research





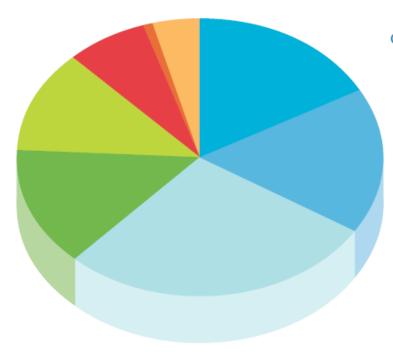
### www.sustainableglasgow.org.uk

# A holistic approach

- The whole city
- Evidence based
- Technology neutral
- Long term strategic view
- Creating supportive public policies and business models
- A partnership between the university, local government, and the commercial sector



## Glasgow's Carbon Footprint

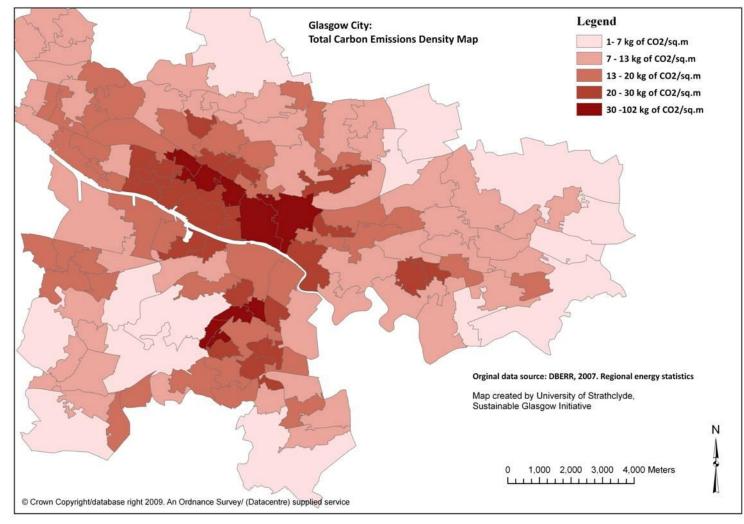


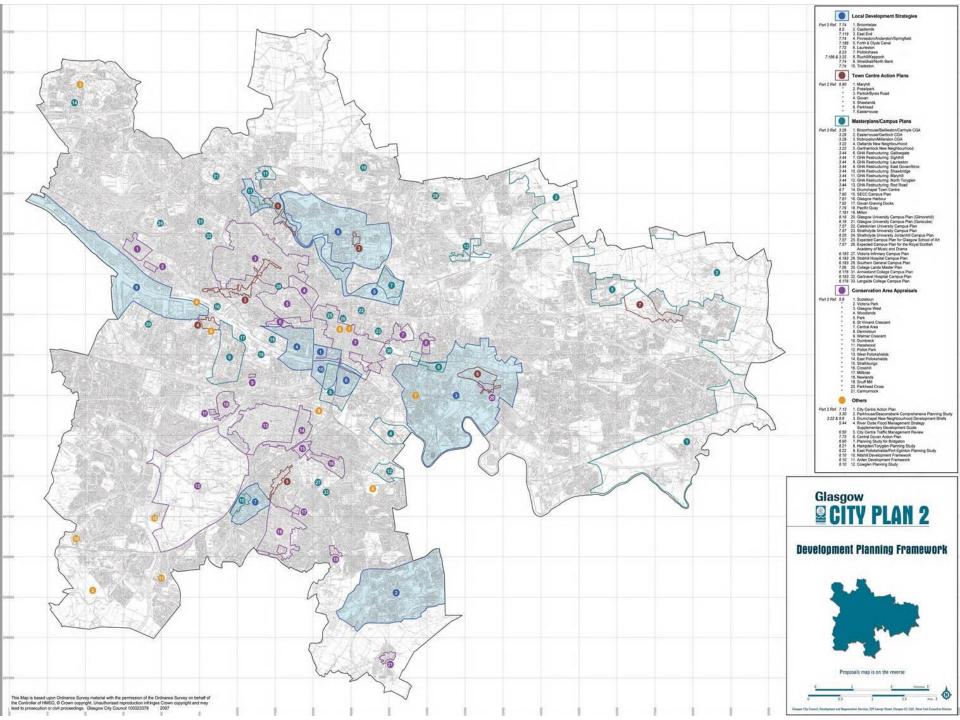
#### Glasgow's Carbon Footprint - 2006/07

Annual Carbon Dioxide Emissions for Glasgow City

Domestic Electricity	17%
Domestic Gas	17%
Industrial/Commercial Electricity	28%
Industrial/Commercial Gas	14%
Personal Transport	12%
Road Freight	7%
Buses	1%
Coal, Oil	4%

### **A New Approach**







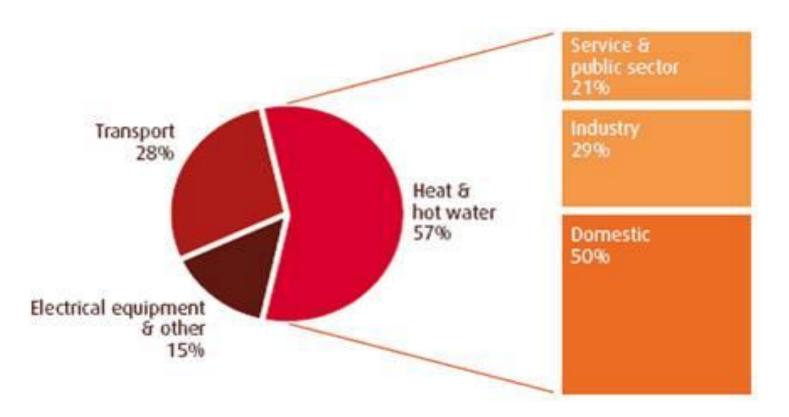
# Glasgow has significant opportunities



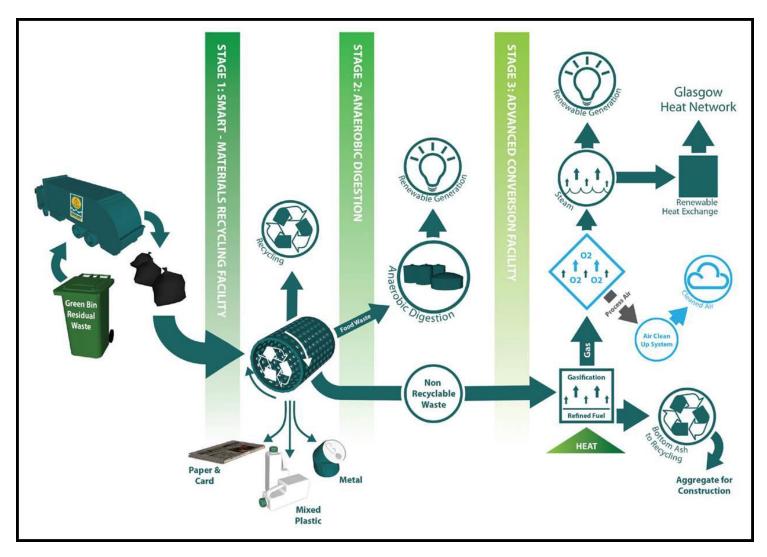
# Grid electricity is expected to decarbonise due to wider policy actions



### The Role of Heat







# Waste to Energy

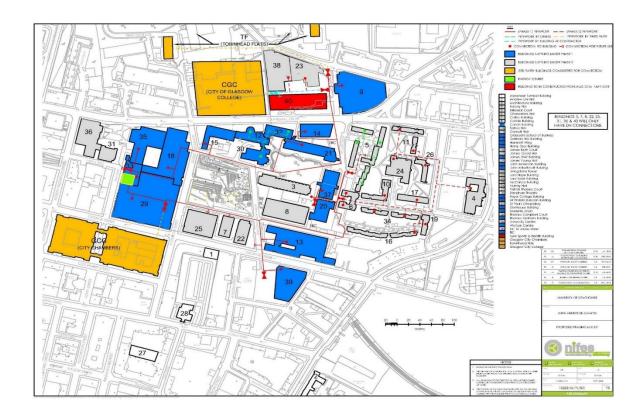






### Strathclyde District Heating Scheme

- A £20 million investment
- Reducing Strathclyde's CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by 50%





# Delivering Glasgow carbon neutrality should focus on

- Heat
- Transport





## **Commonwealth Games**





### GLASGOW 2014

**XX COMMONWEALTH GAMES** 



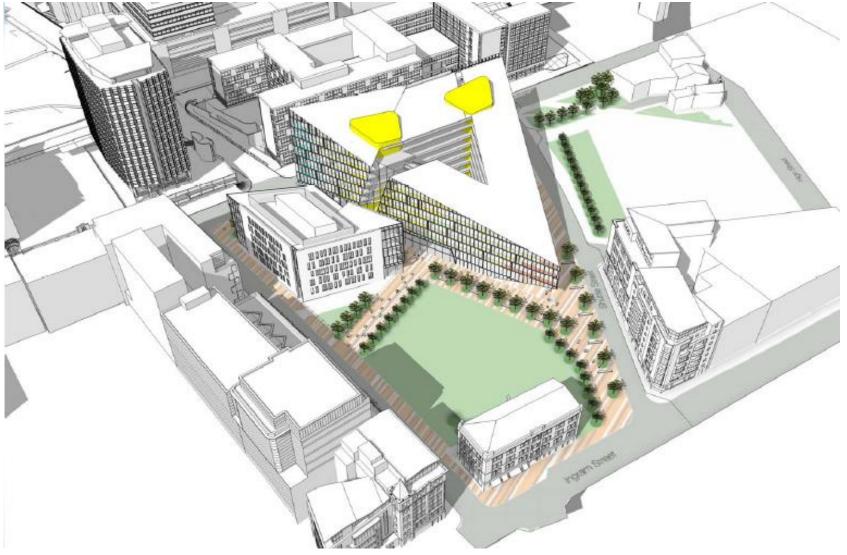


## **Commonwealth Games Village**





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### Southern General Hospital





# Grasp your windows of opportunity

# **Glasgow Policy Interventions**

### Planning

- District heating zones
- Building energy efficiency regulations
- Public Procurement

### Transport

- Creation of Low Emission Zones
- Cycle lanes
- Improved public transport
- Regulation of buses

#### Investment in energy efficiency

– Social Housing, Schools, public buildings

#### • Investment in renewable energy

- Waste to Energy
- Solar Energy
- Wind

#### Environmental Regulation

- Air Quality Improvement



### **Heat actions**

- Improve building energy efficiency
- Develop heat networks
- Identify windows of opportunity eg Commonwealth Games
- Require connection to heat networks
- Create an ESCO to help trade heat across Glasgow
- Create partnerships with existing district heating network and investors
- Sell surplus heat from GRREC
- Capture surplus heat from other facilities (eg breweries, bakeries)
- Develop additional low carbon heat generation (eg geothermal?)



### **Transport actions**

- Support EV adoption (public and commercial fleets first)
- Reduce road vehicle numbers
  - Improve mass transit systems
  - Congestion charging/ Low Emission Zones
  - Integrated freight systems/ freight consolidation
  - > Increase city centre parking charges
  - Restrict vehicles from larger areas of the city centre
- Improve vehicle transit times
  - Smart traffic management



### We are at the start of a journey

- Real progress achieved but much more needed
  - Strong partnerships
  - Significant investment
  - > City scale projects
  - Policy change
- Major opportunities will continue to emerge
- More progress needed on transport and heat
- Need to integrate with national and regional programmes



# Do cities have the right powers to deliver on carbon neutrality and sustainability cities?



# Thank you

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