



Institute for Future Cities

Richard Bellingham Director Institute for Future Cities richard.bellingham@strath.ac.uk









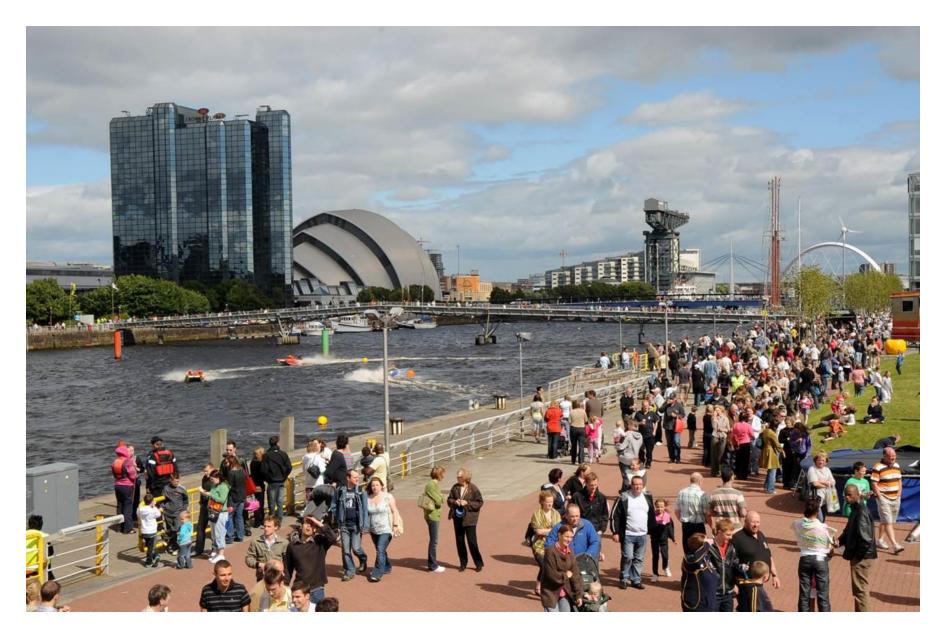














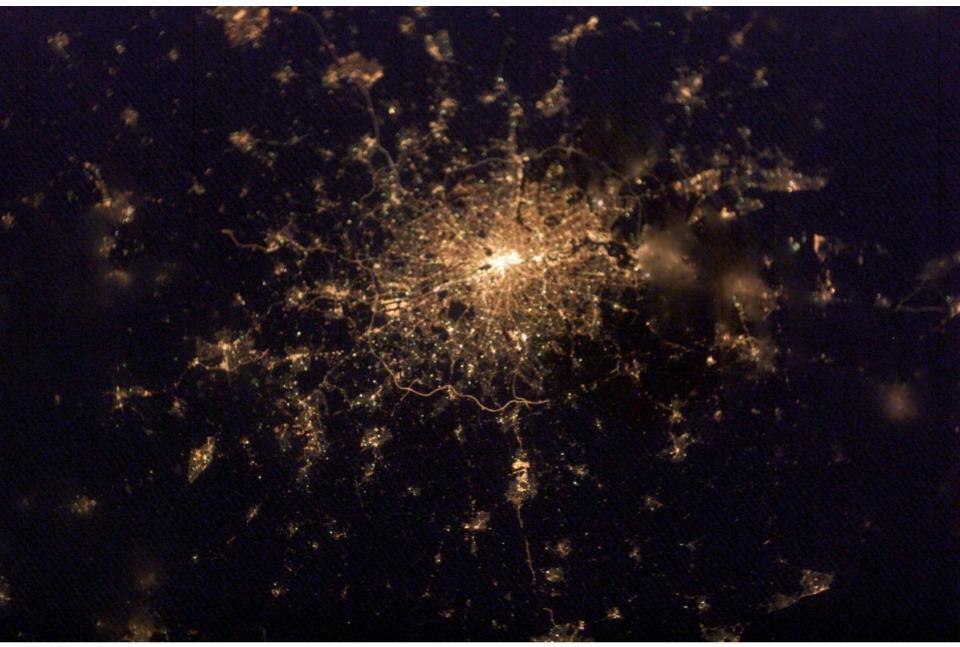


Institute: Mission and Vision



Future Cities Themes

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



ISS006E22939







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



Cities rely on critical systems

- food production and preservation
- transportation
- construction
- water handling
- waste handling
- communication
- economic systems
- energy systems
- health systems



Critical systems rely on cities

- food production and preservation
- transportation
- construction
- water handling
- waste handling
- communication
- economic and financial systems
- energy systems
- health systems



The Growth of Cities

Developments in social systems are also essential

Social structures
Codes of behaviour
Systems of government
Systems of law

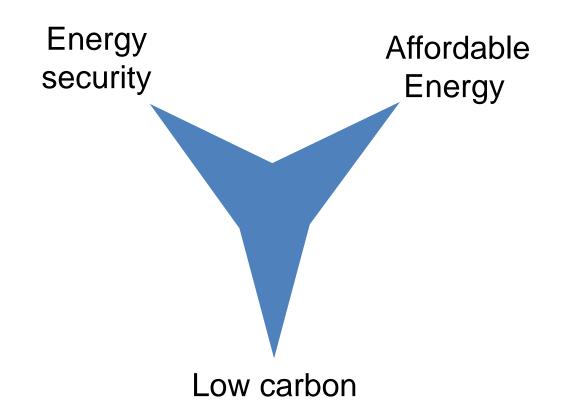


Cities as a solution

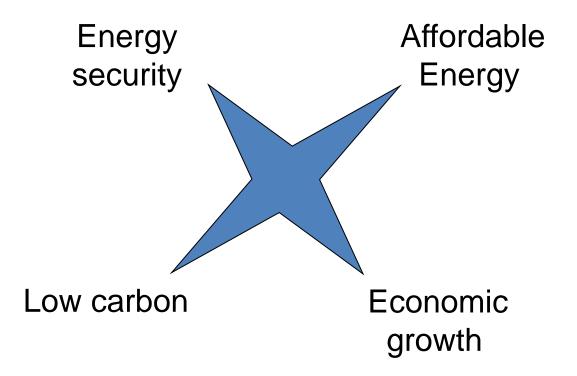
Cities offer opportunities:

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

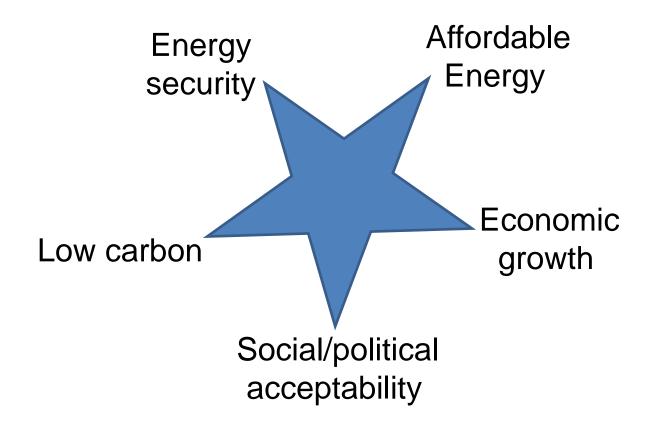
Policy Objectives



Policy Objectives



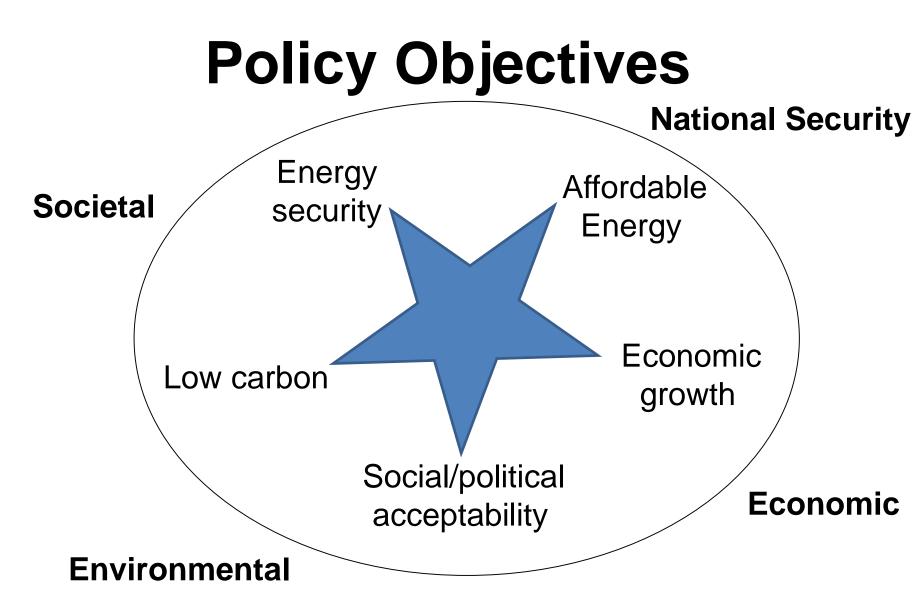
Policy Objectives





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

Example sustainability policy objectives

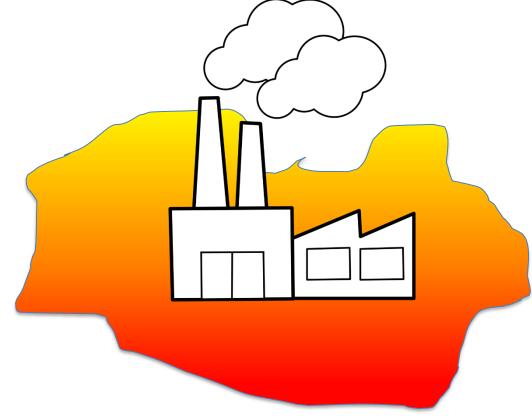
- Achieve net zero carbon
 - Generate more renewable energy
 - Improve energy efficiency
 - Abandon use of high carbon fuels
 - Adopt sustainable transport systems
 - Reduce use of high carbon goods/services

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

Glasgow's Overall Target

• Achieve net zero carbon by 2030

- But the city has limited control

Cities rely on critical systems - but have limited control

- food production and preservation
- transportation
- construction
- water handling
- waste handling
- communication
- economic and financial systems
- energy systems
- health systems

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





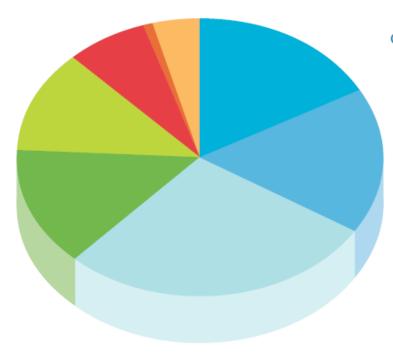
www.sustainableglasgow.org.uk

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

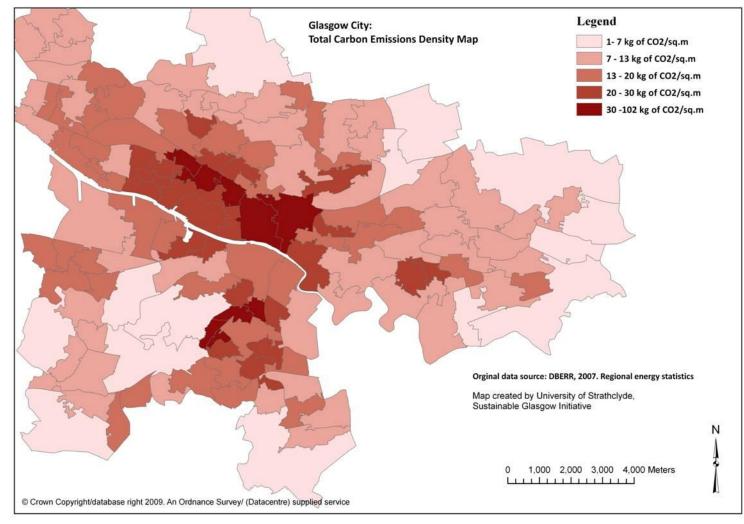


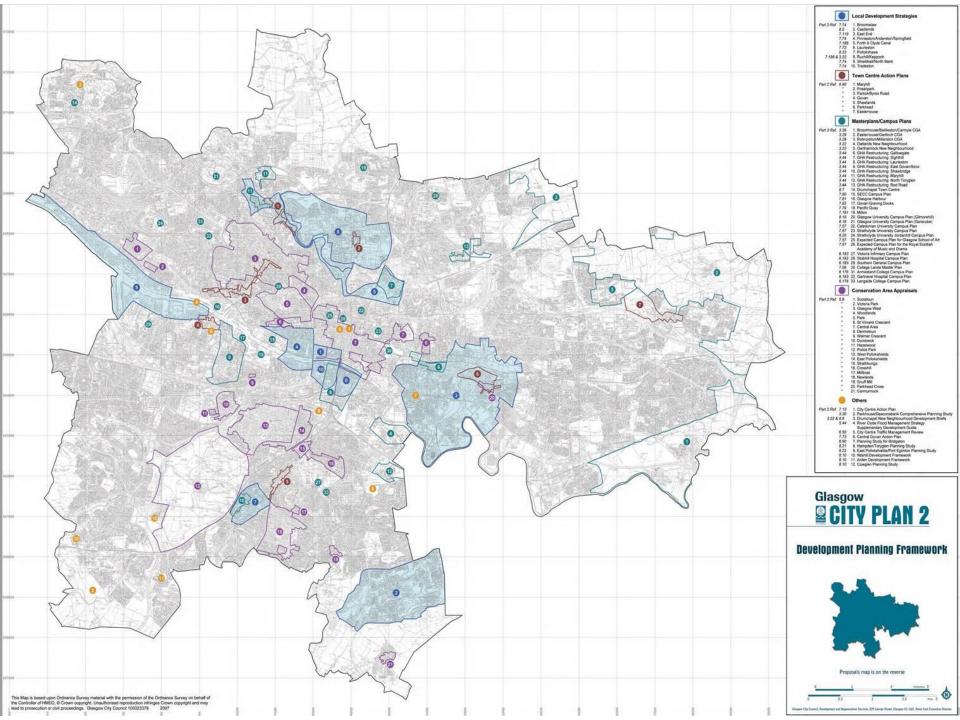
Glasgow's Carbon Footprint - 2006/07

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







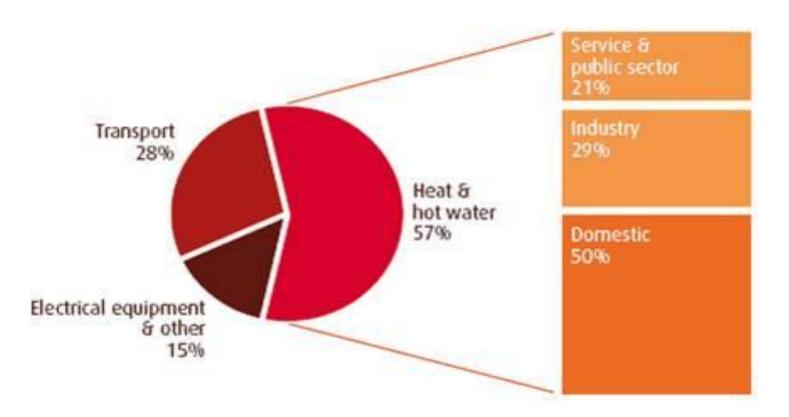
Glasgow has significant opportunities



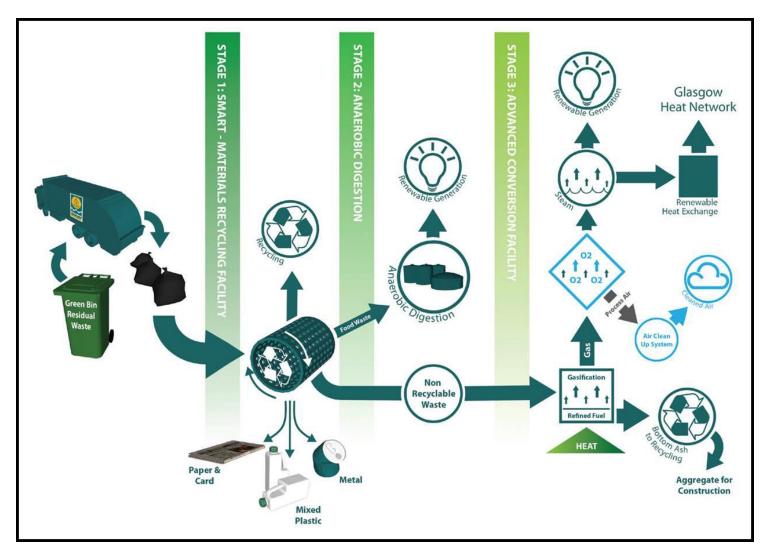
Grid electricity is expected to decarbonise due to wider policy actions



The Role of Heat







Waste to Energy

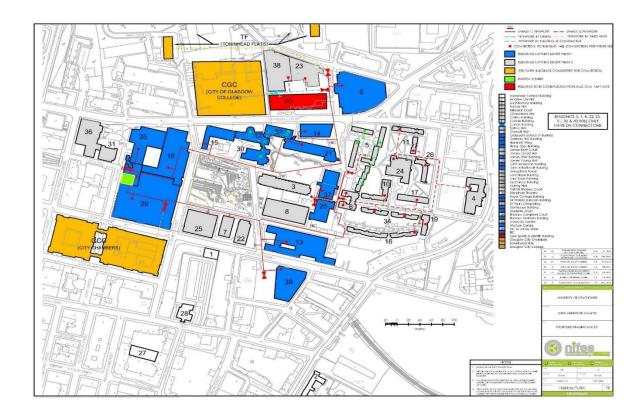






Strathclyde District Heating Scheme

- A £20 million investment
- Reducing Strathclyde's CO₂ Emissions by 50%

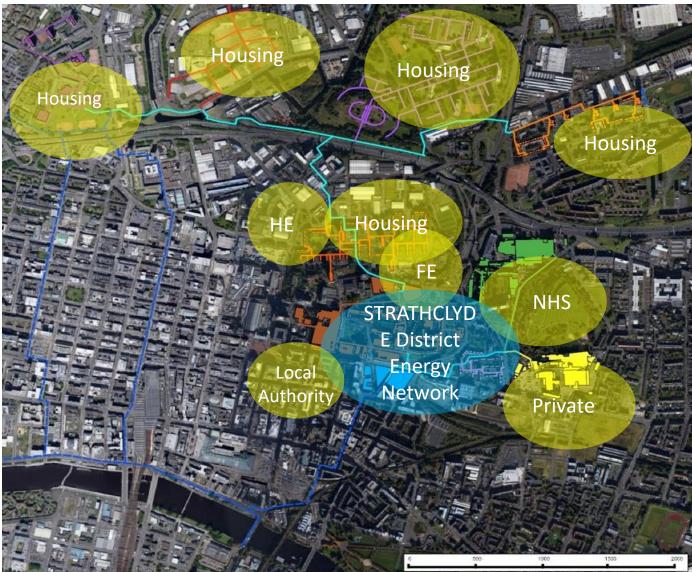




Delivering Glasgow carbon neutrality should focus on

- Heat
- Transport





Commonwealth Games





GLASGOW 2014

XX COMMONWEALTH GAMES



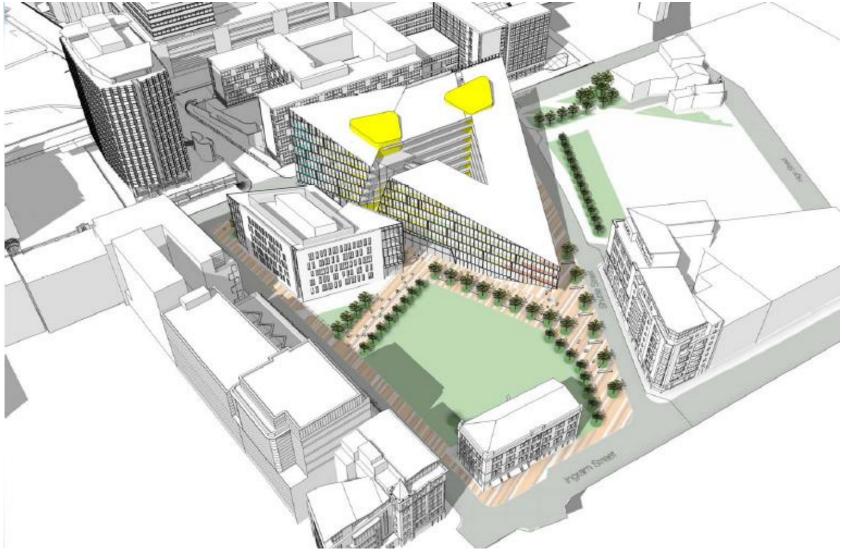


Commonwealth Games Village





TIC



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

Richard Bellingham Director Institute for Future Cities richard.bellingham@strath.ac.uk