

Net-zero towns and cities



Tried & tested solutions



Passivhaus Homes / Tools and support help builders, architects and clients create efficient housing

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Winner Award for Sustainable Buildings](#)



Guru Systems / Heat network software helps social housing tenants

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Energy Innovation UK](#)



e-cargobikes.com / Cleaner air and better working conditions

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Green Innovation Award 2020](#)



Upside Energy / Reducing energy stress for the grid

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Total Innovation Award for Energy Innovation](#)



Q-Bot / Minimum fuss, maximum insulation

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Winner Award for Sustainable Buildings](#)



Chargemaster / Charge of the EV brigade

Region: UK
Award Year: 2020
[Winner Award for Electric & Hybrid Transport](#)



The National Energy Foundation and Energiesprung UK / High-impact retrofits



London Borough of Waltham Forest / Streets worth celebrating



Highview Power / Cheap and green energy storage



Energy Local / Making sustainable energy work locally



Switchee / Helping landlords cut costs and fight fuel poverty



Smarter Grid Solutions / Helping to balance the grid



Passivhaus Trust / Warmer homes and better air quality

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Nottingham City Council / Robin Hood would approve...

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The Active Well-Being Society (formerly Big Birmingham Bikes) / Improving the health of Britain's second biggest city

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Greater London Authority / Experts in public sector sustainability

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Low Carbon Hub / A catalyst for the big energy shift

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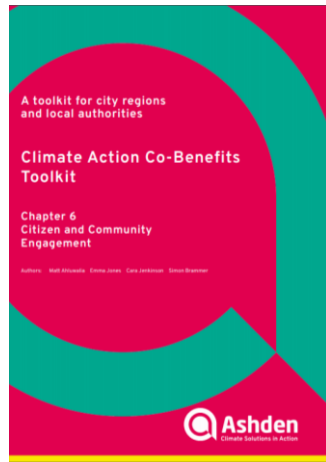


Cosy Homes in Lancashire / Cosy as can be

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Net-zero towns and cities – a strategic approach

Why (business case)



Citizen engagement

Change model (co-benefits)

What (climate action plans)



How (speed & scale)

City Regions Network

LA Hubs

North of Tyne CA

New awards

Learning out loud

LA Webinars

Strategic comms

National asks

Winners
Networks
Partners

Co-benefits



This changes the discourse from 'giving things up' to getting things back and 'improving lives'

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A toolkit for city regions and local authorities



Climate action co-benefits

Cutting carbon and improving people's lives

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Introduction

Health and wellbeing

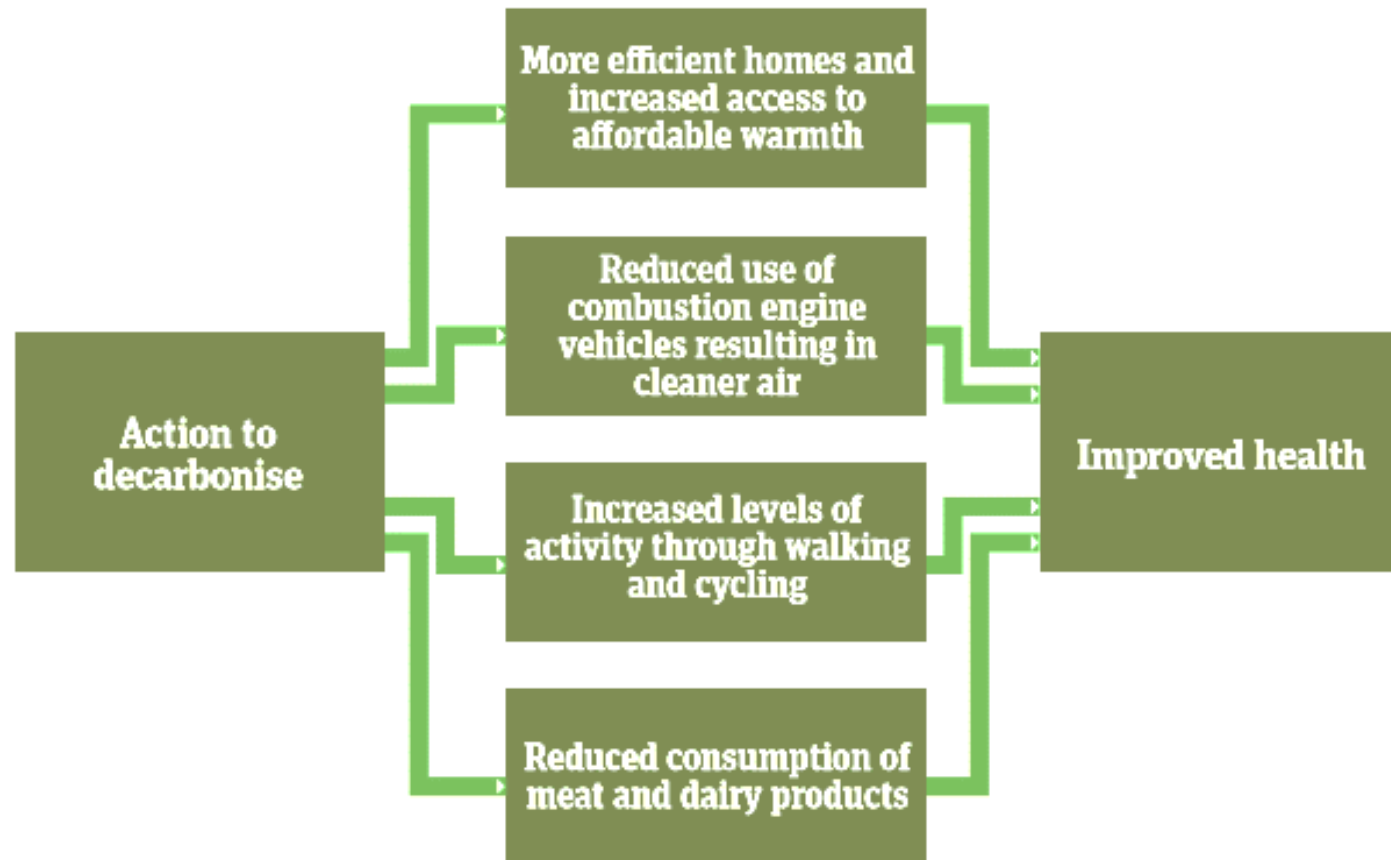
Economic opportunity and job creation

Resilience

Equity and social cohesion

Useful resources

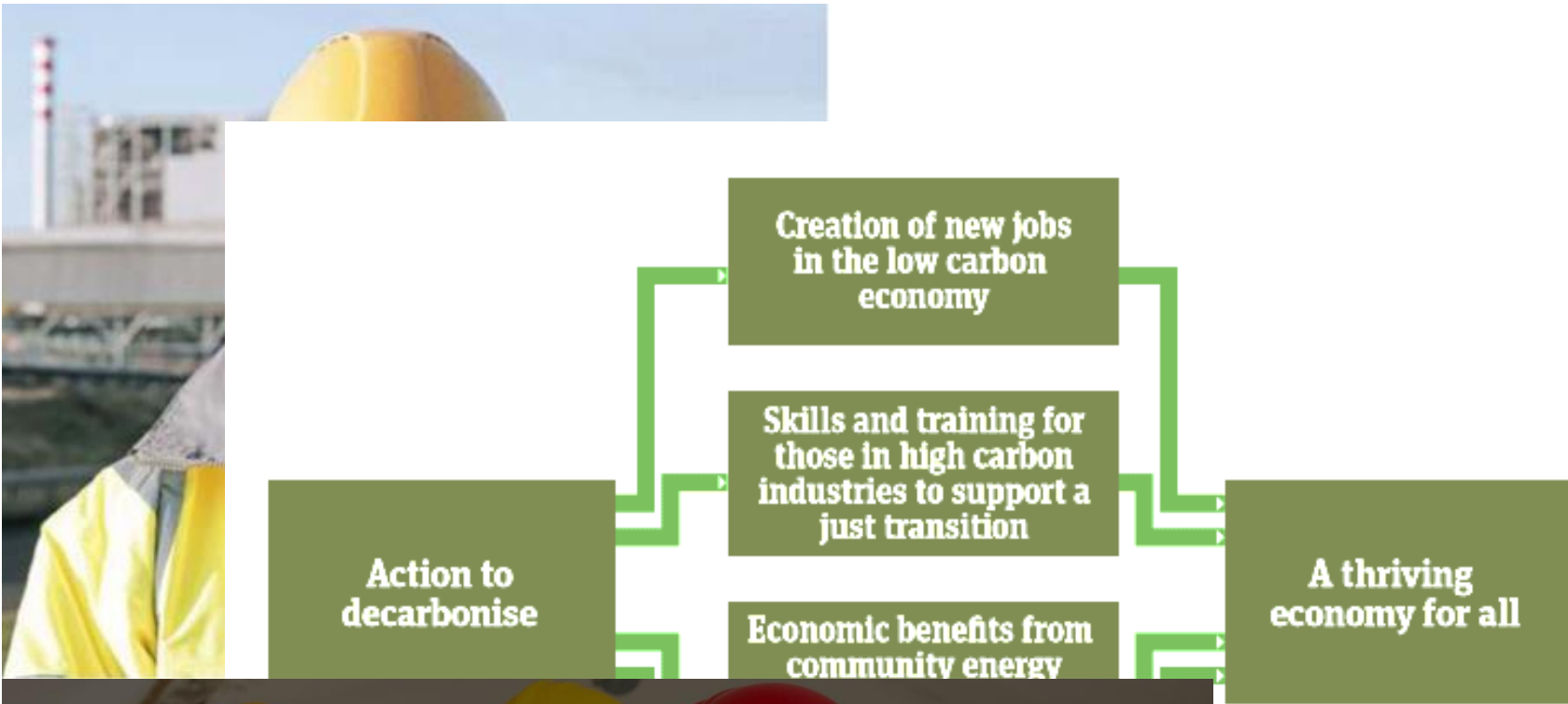
Health



Health



Jobs & local economy



Equity & social cohesion



31 actions

31 Climate Actions for Councils

Has your council declared a climate emergency?
Do you need to develop a climate action plan?
We've come up with 31 actions that can immediately help.

Medellín



“The co-benefits toolkit has inspired broader conversations across our organisation as we develop our climate change strategy. Linking climate change action to broader community benefits couldn’t be a better strategic fit for a local authority. It brings everyone to the same table.”

Jo Mortensen, Sustainability Programme Manager, Ealing Borough Council

Learning Out Loud: Insights from the local authority learning hubs



Video resources: engaging citizens in climate action

Watch presentations from our workshops, including profiles of tried-and-tested solutions.

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Practical tips for community engagement

Plus: inspiring active travel and community energy initiatives.

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Greener procurement & commissioning offer councils carbon savings

Local authorities in North East England share challenges and innovation.

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London's councils work to engage residents on climate

How can authorities work with whole communities to plan and deliver climate action?

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How can councils commission, procure and manage contracts to deliver climate goals?

Expert Philip Duddell offers practical advice for measuring and reducing the carbon footprint of goods and services.

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Rewards of doughnut decision-making: Cornwall Council takes on the climate emergency

Cornwall councillor Edwina Hannaford shares her insight on setting Cornwall Council's climate action plan by applying the doughnut economics model to their decision-making wheel.

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