



# 2040 NET ZERO ACTION PLAN

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Zero Carbon Oxford is a partnership that brings together universities, hospitals, councils, large businesses, and communities to support the city in its journey to net zero carbon emissions. Those who have signed the Zero Carbon Oxford charter have committed to working together to create a zero carbon Oxford and to collaborate to build a prosperous, sustainable city in which all can share.



The Carbon Trust's mission is to accelerate the move to a sustainable, low carbon economy. It is a world leading expert on carbon reduction and clean technology. As a not-for-dividend group, it advises governments and leading companies around the world, reinvesting profits into its low carbon mission.

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## Introduction

The Zero Carbon Oxford Partnership (ZCOP), comprising 21 business leaders from the Oxford's universities, institutions, and large businesses, has committed to collaborate on achieving net zero carbon emissions for the city of Oxford by 2040. This is more ambitious than the national UK Government target, which aims for net zero by 2050. It is an expression of Oxford's understanding that the Climate Emergency requires radical and urgent transition and a recognition that the city is already a leader in the UK and should continue to lead 'from the front'.

To support the ZCOP in achieving this vision, the Carbon Trust has worked collaboratively with Oxford City Council and all members of the Partnership to develop and model a pathway to show what net zero by 2040 looks like in terms of emissions reduction, breaking this down into Roadmaps of key milestones to get to 2040, and develop an Action Plan setting out key actions to achieve it.

Achieving the net zero target requires a 'whole-city approach'. Key actors from across the domestic, commercial, industrial, institutional and transport sectors will need to work together, and with the electricity and gas distribution network operators, to unlock transformational change. Collaboration, involvement, and input from ZCOP partners has been critical to the development of this project. Partners provided crucial data and steer for the scenario updates, Roadmaps, and Action Plan.

Assumptions behind the scenario, which forms the basis for the Roadmap and from which the interventions in the Action Plan stem, were subject to several rounds of review via workshops and one-to-one sessions with ZCOP partners before validation. In addition to workshops that focused on the scenario and roadmaps, five sector-themed workshops (domestic, commercial, industry, institutional and transport) were used to collaboratively ideate potential actions feeding into the Action Plan.



## **Scenario modelling**

The scenario modelling provides a potential decarbonisation pathway to demonstrate the scale of decarbonisation that must be achieved across GHG emission sources by 2040 to achieve net zero. The analysis provides an evidence base to support robust decision-making and inspire ambitious action from all partners. This modelling updates an earlier scenario to reflect the latest developments in terms of national, local, and regional policies, technology developments, and national energy scenarios. It also reflects commitments and insights gathered from extensive engagement with the ZCOP partners.

The scenario modelling uses a sector-based approach to identify milestones and actions from 2020 to 2050. The model is a tailored version of the Carbon Trust's in-house scenario forecasting tool that has been adapted to incorporate inputs from in the previous scenario work and the assumptions.

### **Defining net zero**

There is yet no commonly agreed definition of what constitutes 'net zero', unlike the term 'carbon neutral' (defined by PAS 2060 since 2009). There are a range of leading actors working on defining net zero in different contexts, with working definitions currently under consultation by the Science Based Target Initiative (SBTi) and part of the Race to Zero campaign in the lead up to COP26.

The Carbon Trust's working definition for cities is:

### A net zero city or region will set and pursue:



an ambitious 1.5°C aligned Science Based Target



for all emissions sources covered within the BASIC+ reporting level of the Global Protocol for Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC).



Any remaining hard-to-decarbonise emissions can be compensated with **certified greenhouse gas removals (GGRs)**.

This aligns the definition for a net zero city or region with the SBTi's definition for a net zero company. We have therefore used a 1.5°C aligned Science Based Target to determine the pace of reduction in carbon emissions, to ensure that Oxford it is on track to net zero by 2040.



### **Baseline emissions**

Baseline data was sourced from publicly available datasets, such as BEIS<sup>ii</sup> and DfT<sup>iii</sup>, along with data from the Oxford City Council where available. These data sources represent the most recent annual data set, and where there were gaps, 2018 forecast data was used. The scope of the baseline is in keeping with the best-practice GHG Protocol for cities (GPC)<sup>iv</sup>, which is consistent with PAS 2070. According to the protocol, the city footprint should, as a minimum, be inclusive of Scope 1, 2 & 3 (waste) emissions, including:

- Energy-use in buildings;
- Grid electricity;
- Road transport across Oxford; and
- · Waste generation and management across the city (including domestic and commercial).

A summary of the 2018 baseline is shown in Figure 1 below.

## 2018 Baseline emissions and energy consumption in Oxford

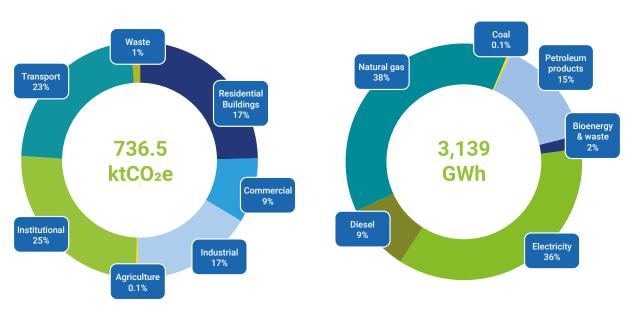


Figure 1. 2018 baseline emissions by sector (excluding land use, left) and 2018 baseline energy consumption by fuel type (right)

The majority (nearly 60%) of the 2018 emissions arise from the buildings sector (434 ktCO<sub>2</sub>e) (including residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional including universities, colleges, councils, and NHS buildings), largely due to the high proportion of gas-heated buildings. Transport is the second largest contributor to Oxford's emissions and accounted for 171 ktCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2018, with private cars being the main source of emissions.

As data emerges for more recent years it will be important to update this baseline to understand the impacts of changes, such as the global pandemic.



### **Carbon pathway**

Figure 2 illustrates the significance and scale of the challenge towards net zero by 2040. It compares the previous and updated net zero scenarios for Oxford, as well as indicative target pathways to align with a 1.5°C Science Based Target and the UK's net zero by 2050 target. The Science Based Target pathway uses an absolute contraction method (-4.2% per annum) to calculate Oxford's share of the global reductions required to limit global temperature rise to 1.5°C; and the CCC's Sixth Carbon Budget<sup>v</sup> provides a sectoral breakdown of the percentage reductions needed to comply with the UK's Net Zero 2050 target. The new scenario is compliant with the SBTi 1.5°C pathway and the UK government's Net Zero 2050 target by 2040 and goes beyond what is necessary to achieving those targets in the near and medium-term.

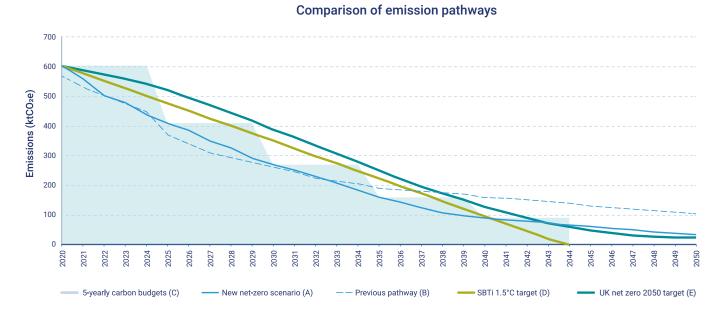


Figure 2. Emissions pathway: A) New net zero scenario"; B) Previous pathway; C) Interim 5-yearly carbon budgets; D) 1.5°C Science-based target; And E) Uk net zero 2050 target

Projecting emissions over the 22-year period from 2018-2040 has been used to determine five-yearly carbon budgets for the city, aligned to the 2040 net zero target.

Table 1. F	ive-yearly o	carbon bud	lgets 2	020-2040
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Net zero target	2040			
Total carbon budget (2018-2040)	7,634 ktCO₂e			
Carbon Emission reduction by (Cf. 2018 base year)				
2025	-44.3%	409.5 ktCO₂e		
2030	-63.2%	270.5 ktCO₂e		
2035	-78.3%	159.5 ktCO₂e		
2040	-87.9%	88.7 ktCO₂e		
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While there is some potential for further decarbonisation post-2040 (mostly from the decarbonisation of waste), there is still uncertainty around how to decarbonise hard-to-reach areas, such as HGV transport, which is demonstrated by a flattening out of the curve. Although, it is possible that technology innovations during the course of the transition could unlock further decarbonisation in the future, it is also possible that some residual emissions in 2040 may need to be offset.

ZCOP should prioritise reducing its emissions through direct interventions, as is the focus of this Action Plan. Once opportunties to reduce emissions through direct interventions have been maximised, any residual emissions should be balanced with emission removals from within Oxford's immediate area, such as afforestation projects on the land it owns (insetting). If there are only a few viable emission removal options available, or after the potential for emissions removals have been exhausted, only then should high-quality carbon removal offsets be purchased.

1. Science-based strategy to reduce emissions

Reducing energy demand, implementing energy efficiency measures, electrifying vehicle fleet and heating

Deploying renewable energy and procuring electricity from onsite renewables

2. Carbon removal projects

Insetting through emission removal projects (e.g. afforestation on own land or other land-use change project(s)

3. Purchase of high-quality offset credits for residual emissions

Purchase of greenhouse gas removal (GGR) offset credits (e.g. afforestation and direct air capture projects)

The GHG Protocol's Carbon Removals Standard/Guidance<sup>vi, vii</sup>, is currently under development<sup>viii</sup> and will, alongside the Land Sector Guidance, determine how to account for purchases of emission removals. The final guidance is not expected be released until late 2021/early 2022. Therefore, it is advisable that ZCOP finalise its offsetting strategy once these have been fully established. This will also ensure that technology developments which may reduce projected residual emissions further can be considered, thus increasing direct action to reduce emissions, and reducing the overall cost of offsetting. In the Roadmaps it is suggested that this begins in 2030 in preparation for 2040. For individual partners looking to achieve net zero before 2040 the above hierarchy should guide their approach to offsetting.



## **Sector analysis**

A sectoral breakdown of the results from the updated scenario shows the amount of decarbonisation required for each sector to meet Oxford's 2040 net zero target. Figure 3 shows the emissions reductions from 2020-2040, with percentage change overlaid.

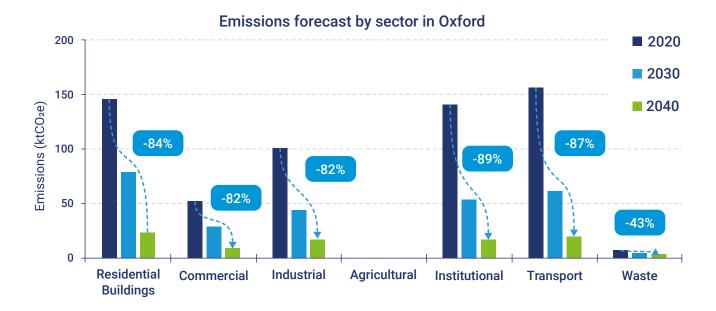


Figure 3. Model output: 2020, 2030 and 2040 emissions projections for each sector considered in the pathway analysis

Details on the transition by sector can be found in the full report. A summary of key sector projections is included in the Appendix of this summary.



### **Policy gap**

It is important to recognise that to achieve its ambitious 2040 net zero target, Oxford will require a considerable step-up in support from national government, in the form of clear leadership, policy and regulatory frameworks and funding are required. Government intervention is crucial for Oxford, and other areas in the UK, to achieve their net zero goals. The UK Government's Ten Point Plan<sup>ix</sup> and Energy White Paper<sup>x</sup> must be backed by policy to give local authorities and stakeholders the power and support to implement their net zero strategies. The full report draws out a few of these key areas in more detail. To assess the impact of key national dependencies on achieving the ZCOP's 2040 net zero target, a 'Business as Usual' (BAU) scenario has been modelled considering current policies and initiatives without any assumptions around future policies and compared to the net zero 2040 scenario. The projection is primarily based on BEIS future energy projections and the impact of ongoing initiatives in Oxford that are within the control of local government and ZCOP partners.

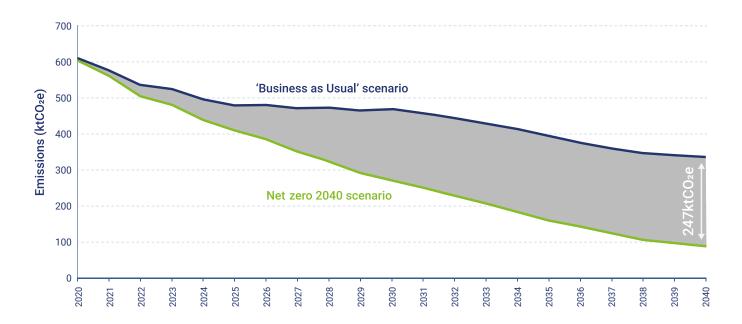


Figure 4. 'Business as usual' scenario (blue) and the net zero 2040 scenario (green), with the policy deficit represented by the area (grey) between the two scenarios



## **Roadmaps**

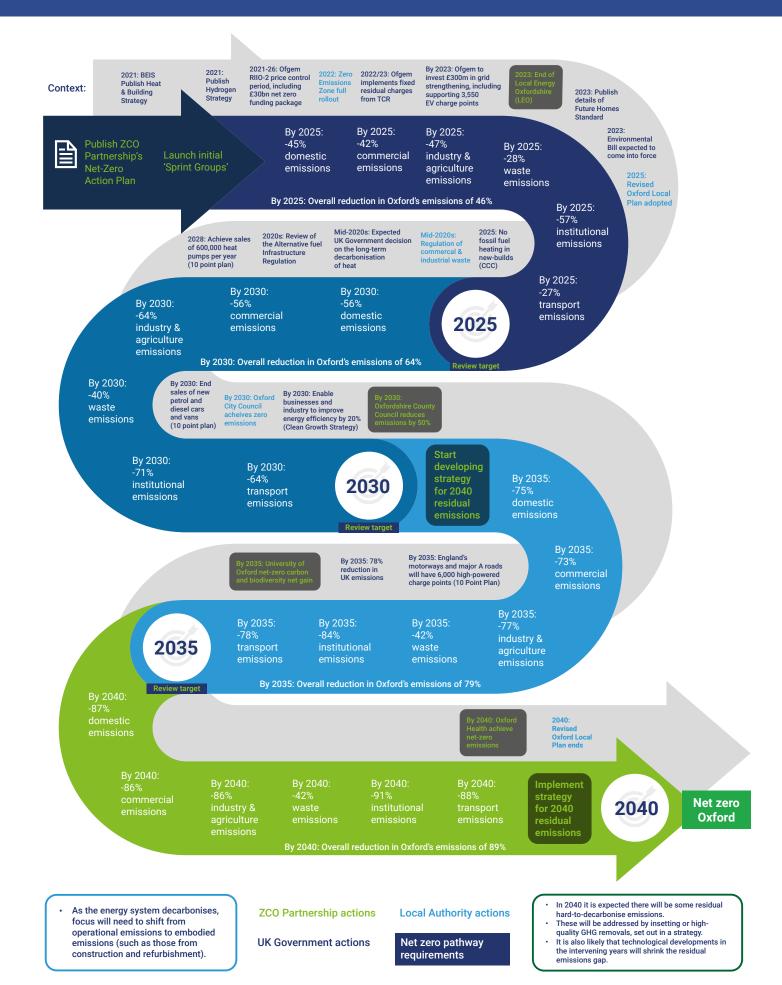
Decarbonisation roadmaps have been developed for five keys sectors - domestic, commercial, industrial, institutional and transport<sup>1</sup>. They are fed directly by the scenario modelling, extracting the key milestones for each sector to map out a timeline of 'what needs to happen, and by when' for Oxford to be on-track to achieve net zero by 2040. The roadmaps provide an important step in breaking down the overall net zero vision into more tangible pieces, looking at 5-yearly periods by sector, and form the basis from which the actions set out in the Action Plan have been developed.

The over-arching strategic roadmap lays out the 5-yearly sectoral decarbonisation requirements, positioning them alongside wider contextual changes at national and regional-levels drawn from across the sector-specific roadmaps. The strategic roadmap is supported by the sectoral roadmaps providing a more detailed view of the technical net zero transition requirements within each sector and provide a common 'vision-setting' reference point for the ZCO Partnership to use in allocating focus and developing actions going forwards.

Each roadmap also includes a context pathway, summarising wider information on activities that are expected to support the transition to net zero, such as national, regional, and local regulations, policies, and plans. This contextual information has been drawn from national and regional strategic documents, as well as local authority area plans, programmes, and policies, and some have themselves been included as key enabling factors and focal points of momentum. For consistency, the contextual information included has been selected on the grounds that the policy, proposal, or target could accelerate, be a dependency or even a challenge for the relevant net zero pathway requirements of that sector.

<sup>1</sup> Given the minimal contribution from the agricultural sector to carbon emissions in Oxford, and the aim for the roadmaps to be feeders for action in priority focus areas, a separate roadmap for agriculture has not been developed. Additionally, waste requirements have been included within the domestic, commercial and industrial roadmaps.







## **Action plan**

The Action Plan provides a clear initial direction and series of steps for the ZCO Partnership to follow to set Oxford on a path to net zero by 2040. It lays out a pipeline of near-term and mid-term priority actions for the partnership to consider and drive forwards using Sprint Groups. It offers a starting point around which to build momentum and galvanise partners, as opposed to an exhaustive list of all actions required to achieve the 2040 net zero Oxford target. This action plan has been developed specifically for the ZCO Partnership to own and implement.

### **Action Plan development process**

Top-down Bottom-up Hybrid

1. Close reference to updated scenario and roadmaps, as well as existing good practice

2. Review existing activities and programmes of ZCO partners

3. Sector-specific action identification workshops and follow-on co-design sessions

The full report sets out more detail on the concept, funding sources, implementation steps, owners, costs, carbon savings<sup>2</sup>, dependencies, and risks of the actions. In addition to the 21 key action concepts for progression by the partnership (summarised below), wider suggestions from partners have also been included in the full report, as well as likely themes that will require further consideration and focus between 2030-2040.

<sup>2</sup> An indication of potential costs and impact have been provided for five key, near-term actions in the pipeline. These are high-level and should be taken to indicate 'order of magnitude'. For three (P1, R1, C1), it has been possible to calculate investment costs and carbon savings. For others (G2, S1), the highly uncertain nature of the action details at this stage have necessitated taking a 'case study' approach, laying out costs and impacts from similar actions implemented elsewhere. For the wider pipeline, the specific activities of the actions need to be further defined before savings and costs can be estimated.



## **Actions summary**

## Policies & regulations

## P1 – Engaging with local policy development

efficiency, fossil-fuel heating, private car usage, and accessible waste disposal.

**Sprint Group** 

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Transport

Investment cost: £97,000

This reflects the per annum pro-rata part-time salary of an Oxford City Council officer-grade resource, who can support delivery for 4 years (from 2022 till the adoption of the revised Local Plan in 2025).

Explore opportunities to build-on the Local Plan to

go beyond Part L building regulations, across energy

### Carbon impact: 4 ktCO2e

The carbon impact estimate has been calculated based on improving the energy efficiency of new builds only, and does not include transport or waste. The figure denotes the potential savings possible on top of those expected from existing Local Plan policy RE1 (26 ktCO<sub>2</sub>e).

By 2025

## P2 - Streamlining retrofit within conservation areas

Domestic

Commercial

Institutional

Improve understanding of heritage and conservationrelated constraints to retrofitting the building stock of the city, through pilots, demonstrations, and technical advice and support for householders and installers/suppliers.



## Research & development

## R1 - Developing template retrofit buildings

Tackling the lack of real-world information (both on technical performance and business case) around different building retrofit options, and how to deliver them by demonstrating measures and the retrofit process.

**Sprint Group** 

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Investment cost: £94,000

This reflects the pro-rata part-time salary of an Oxford City Council officer-grade resource, who would oversee delivery for 1 year, as well as capital investment required across four template buildings.

#### Carbon impact: 8.7 tCO2e

The direct carbon impact results from the retrofitting of the four buildings. However, the aim is for the templates to spark an acceleration of similar retrofits, particularly amongst Council-owned stock. This is uncertain and harder to quantify. Oxford City Council owns 14% of Oxford's housing stock (~8,700 dwellings), retrofitting this number to the same level as the templates would result in carbon savings of 16 ktCO2e.

By 2025

## R2 - Establishing building stock inventory and pipeline

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Develop detailed building stock inventory for Oxford, especially filling in the commercial building stock data gap. This could provide the information basis for local area energy planning, where detailed modelling of different heat, energy efficiency and flexibility technologies are assessed at address-level, to inform a programme of action.

By 2025

**Sprint Group** 



## R3 – Whole system network review

SGN and SSEN to scope and undertake whole system review to establish ability to deliver the required energy within key timelines.

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport

By 2025

## R4 – Mini-hydrogen network feasibility study

Industrial

**Transport** 

Conduct a feasibility study on a mini hydrogen network in Oxford, bringing together interested parties to map out the different potential use-cases for hydrogen across the city. (Initial discussions have brought together two ZCOP partners with local gas network provider SGN to collaborate on this.)



## Capital investment

## C1 – Bulk-buying scheme for solar PV and heat pumps

Set up a bulk buying scheme for low carbon equipment (solar PV and heat pumps) to enable local businesses, organisations, and households to benefit from lower bulk purchase prices.

**Sprint Group** 

**Domestic** 

Commercial

**Industrial** 

#### Investment cost: £48,000

This reflects the pro-rata part-time salary of an Oxford City Council officer-grade resource, who would oversee delivery for 2 years. However, if the scheme's delivery was fully outsourced to an external organisation (such as Solar Together) resource costs would likely be reduced. The expected private investment cost (end-users purchasing the equipment) is £7.6 million this includes purchases of solar PV units by domestic and commercial users, and ASHP units by domestic users. Larger commercial ASHPs are not included as they need to be highly tailored to the building, and therefore are less suited to bulk-buying.

### Cost saving impact: £3.2 million

Bulk-buying provides a 31% cost saving for solar PV units, and a 26% cost saving for ASHP units. The total cost saving is spread across 1,200 households and 200 businesses.

#### Carbon impact: 31 ktCO2e

The direct carbon impact results from the avoided emissions of solar PV replacing grid electricity consumption, and ASHPs reducing gas consumption. This is totalled over a 21-year equipment lifespan, accounting for UK grid decarbonisation.

By 2025

## C2 – Greening lastmile delivery

Pilot a number of urban consolidation centres around the edge of Oxford.

**Sprint Group** 

Commercial

Develop a quiet deliveries scheme.

Transport



## C3 - Domestic retrofit programme

**Domestic** 

Institutional

Establishing a programme to scale domestic retrofit across social and private housing. Extending and building on the delivery experience and expertise of LCH's Cosy Homes programme, and relevant Action Plan actions (R1, R2 and P2).

2025 - 2030

## C4 – SME sustainability support and interestfree loans

Building on the technical assistance approach developed by OxFutures and further refined by ESOx, by combining it with sustaining financial incentives to drive higher retrofit uptake amongst SMEs.

Commercial

By 2025

## C5 -Establishing campus-scale integrated energy systems

Commercia

Institutional

Identify potential 'energy campus' areas within Oxford (e.g. universities, colleges, businesses, science parks), taking account of considerable heritage limitations, and explore the potential for cost-optimised energy system transformation, establishing joined-up generation, storage and demand management.

2025 - 2030

## C6 – Deploying EV charging infrastructure

Install EV charging infrastructure across a strategically selected series of sites (spanning car club locations, light commercial vehicle parking and deprived districts).

**Transport** 

By 2025

## C7 – Improving bus journey times and regularity

**Transport** 

Bring together Oxford's bus operators to identify the key 'pinch points' currently slowing bus routes and disruptive service regularity. Discuss these with the Oxford City Council planning and transport teams with an aim to developing implementable trunk-route solutions that improve bus journey times in and out of Oxford and make buses the priority mode.

2025 - 2030



## Behaviour change, communication & education

## **B1 – ZCOP Strategic** communication plan

Develop a centralised plan for communicating with Oxford residents and businesses to ensure a clear and consistent communication approach from the ZCOP.

**Sprint Group** 

**Domestic** 

Transport

By 2025

## B2 - Public dashboard for monitoring ZCOP progress

Create an online public dashboard to communicate progress against decarbonisation objectives.

2025 - 2030

Domestic

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport



## Governance & stakeholder collaboration

## G1 - Knowledge transfer platform

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

An Oxford Knowledge Transfer Partnership, matching up academics with businesses that require this expertise, as well as businesses with other businesses they can learn from.

**Sprint Group** 

By 2025

## G2 – Active travel commitments

**Transport** 

ZCOP partners to commit to supporting the Connecting Oxford and Zero Emissions Zone interventions, which are critical to freeing up the roads for cycling access Partners to lead by example by installing active travel support infrastructure and measures.

**Sprint Group** 

#### Costs

Birmingham provided up to £10,000 to schools to cover the costs of: secure cycle parking, showers, workbenches, bikes for staff use, bikes for cycle training and accessories (locks, lights, helmets, tools).xi

#### **Impacts**

Annual economic benefits are estimated at between £600-640 per additional cyclist on urban roads.xii

By 2025

By 2025

## G3 – Joint lobbying strategy

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport

A significant amount of additional central government support (whether policy, regulation, or funding) is required if Oxford is to achieve its net zero 2040 target. An advocacy strategy should be developed focused on key asks.

**Sprint Group** 



## G4 – Joint funding applications

Domestic

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

**Transport** 

Funding applications that bring together several partners and offer scale are often more likely to be successful. The ZCOP offers a potential umbrella under which the key players in Oxford can be brought together to plan and submit funding applications that will benefit the city.



## Skills & supply chain

## S1 – Collaboration with the education sector on low carbon skills

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport

Develop a suite of joined-up low carbon training and re-training courses across educational establishments. This should include offering green apprenticeship and vocational courses for sought after retrofit skills across education providers (certified by appropriate bodies), green 'year in industry' opportunities to foster links with Oxford's commercial and industrial sector, and building-on existing successes such as the Abingdon & Witney College Green Construction Centre.

**Sprint Group** 

#### Costs

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority is delivering a three-year Health and Care Work Academy programme in partnership with a local college, which will support 2,100 clients at an average cost of £2,482 per client. The programme was funded by a £5.2m bid to the Department for Work & Pensions.xiii

### **Impacts**

Since its inception in 2018, 567 learners have joined the programme, with 107 now working in the sector.xiv

By 2025

## S2 – Priming the low carbon retrofit supply chain

**Domestic** 

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport

Gather partners and wider parties who are aiming to complete ambitious retrofit programme to issue demand signals, via advance notices, to encourage retrofit companies to invest in upskilling and accreditation.

Matchmaking industrial facilities and commercial

By 2025

## S3 – Accelerating innovative cleantech deployment in industry

actors with innovations from local industrial and large commercial businesses and cleantech/innovation companies.

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Industrial



## **Cross-cutting**

## CC1 – Strengthening domestic grid connections

Digitalisation of domestic grid connection information to provide better information on grid capacities and need for reinforcement.

**Sprint Group** 

**Domestic** 

By 2025

**Transport** 

## CC2 - Exploring funding options

Investigate funding options available to the ZCOP to implement the action plan pipeline.

**Domestic** 

By 2025

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional

Transport

## CC3 – Engaging with flexibility markets

Encourage ZCOP partners to show Oxford-wide leadership and develop their experience of grid energy flexibility by engaging with innovations such as the new flexibility market created by Project LEOxV, or through consumer focussed interventions such as time-of-use tariffs.



## **Next steps**

While the numbers set out in the roadmaps may be seen (and practically used) as specific milestones, it is important that a degree of flexibility is considered. This is especially relevant in the mid-term (late 2020s into the 2030s) where the context is less concrete and there may be changes, in terms of strengthened or weakened enabling factors, new innovative solutions, or national government steer. In the face of this uncertainty, an approach to that builds-in resilience is to consider the net zero pathway requirements as indications of 'level of effort', which could be roughly transposed across to other solutions as needed. In addition to this, focusing on the nearer-term periods of the roadmap (up to 2025 and 2030), and accepting that uncertainty will require a substantial degree of flexibility regarding later years, will ensure practical progress is prioritised above defining a set path. Periodic reviews of the scenario and roadmap (at least every 5 years) will support readjustments based on changing circumstances, as well as evidence progress towards the overall 2040 net zero target.

The action plan sets out several immediately implementable actions for the ZCOP to focus on. Establishing the Partnership's first sprint groups to work collaboratively on these key actions will be a logical next step to turn the ZCOP's shared ambition of net zero emissions by 2040 into reality. These task-and-finish groups will gather the key ZCO partners required for delivery of a particular action. Once the action has been completed, the sprint group will dissolve, and a new group will be established around the next selected action, with likely different partners involved. This will ensure groups are agile, with regular, fresh momentum, comprise of the relevant partners and experts, and that workload is spread across partners.

Building on the identified policy deficit, while initial progress can be made by the city alone, achieving a target of this ambition depends on a considerable step-up in national-level policy and funding support. The ZCOP will need to co-ordinate joint lobbying and funding applications to ensure the city secures the support it needs.

Additionally, some actions will require wider collaboration, beyond those organisations already involved in the Partnership. Therefore, all communities, organisations and businesses in Oxford are encouraged to commit to reducing carbon emissions and identify opportunities to collaborate towards achieving net zero.



## **Appendix - Key sector projections**

Refer to the full report for explanation and assumptions

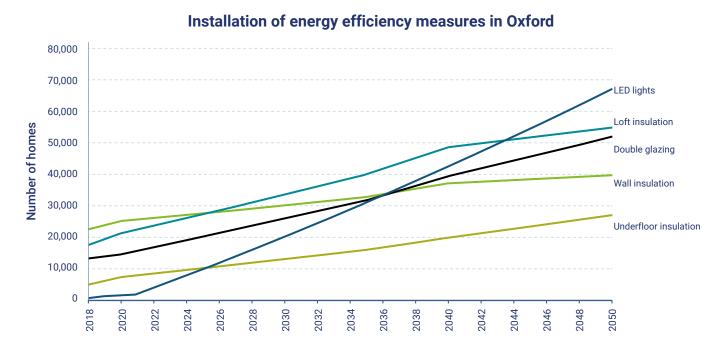


Figure 5. Required rollout of energy efficiency measures in oxford's existing housing stock

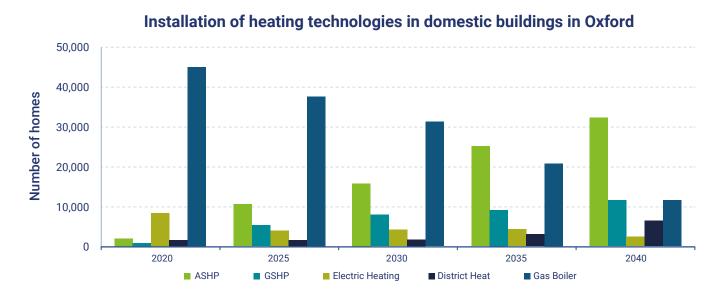


Figure 6. Required deployment of heating technologies in oxford's existing housing stock



## Rooftop and commercial-scale solar PV in Oxford

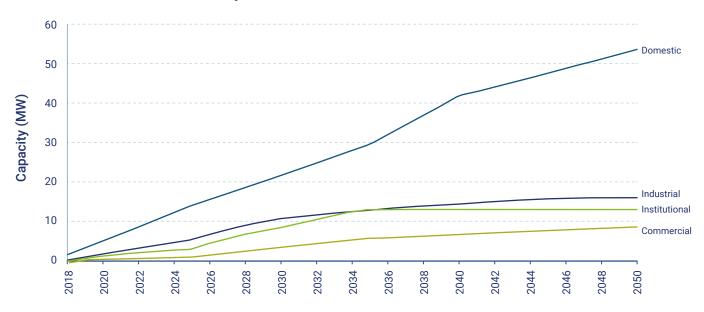
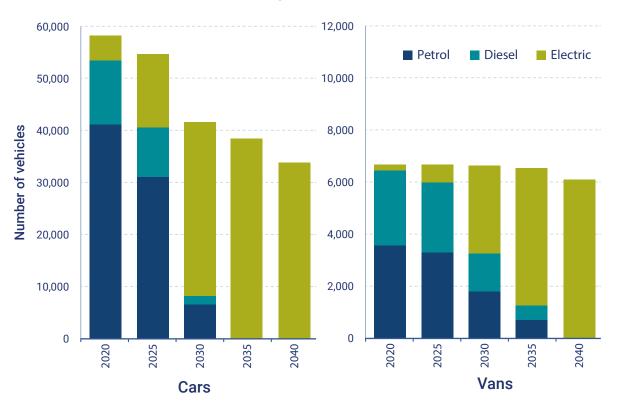


Figure 7. Required rollout of solar pv across sectors



## Vehicle projections - Cars and vans



### Vehicle projections - HGVs and buses & coaches

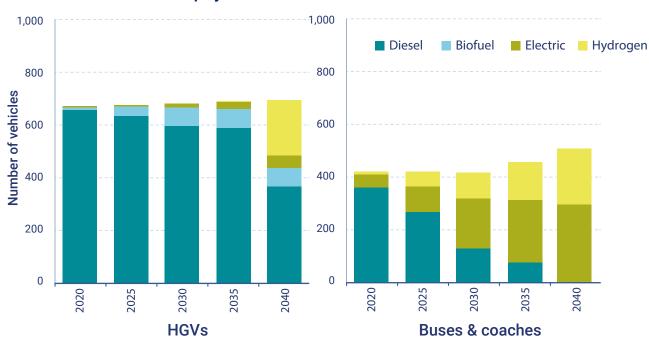


Figure 8. Vehicle projections to 2040 by fuel, showing (from top left to bottom right) cars, vans, hgvs and buses & coaches



## **Sector roadmaps**

### **Domestic**

Context:

**Publish Heat** & Building Strategy

Publish Hydrogen Strategy

2021: Launch energy-related products policy framework (10

details of **Future Homes**  2023: Allow for hydrogen blending of up to 20% of gas grid (10 Point Plan)

neighbourhood hydrogen heating trials (10 Point Plan)

Environmental Bill expected to come into force



Partnership's

By 2025: 100% (1,622) new builds built to EPC A standard

By 2025: Heat pumps in 27% homes (10,762 ASHPs)

By 2025: Oxford recycling rate 60% (baseline 50%)

Revised Oxford Local

of the Alternative fuel Infrastructure Regulation

2028: Achieve sales of 600,000 heat pumps per year (10 point plan)

Mid-2020s: Expected UK Government decision on the long-term decarbonisation of heat

Oxford City Council Sites

fossil fuel heating in new-builds (CCC)

By 2025: Rooftop solar on 20% of existing homes (11,458) 2025: 3,502 off-street EV chargers

By 2030: Gas grid blended with 2% biogas and 20% hydrogen

By 2030: 3% homes connected to heat networks (1,844)

By 2030: Heat pumps in 39% homes (15,984 ASHPs)

By 2030: 19,600 homes retrofitted with at least one energy efficiency By 2030: Rooftop solar on 30% of existing homes (17,693) measures

By 2030 Rooftop solar on 75% of new homes (1,639) 2025

**By 2025**: 45% reduction in emissions

By 2030: Oxford recycling rate 75% by 2030 (baseline 50%)

double glazing measures installed

2030: 33.574

By 2030: EPC C for rented & fuel-poor homes (Clean Growth Strategy)

By 2030: Begin large village hydrogen heating trial, with plans for pilot hydrogen town (10 Point Plan) By 2030: Oxford City

By 2030: Oxford City

2030: 11,418 solid wall insulation

2030: 18,728 cavity wall insulation measures installed

2030: 56% reduction in domestic chargers

2030

Rooftop solar on 40% of

By 2035:

By 2035: Rooftop solar on 75% of new homes (2,907)

By 2035: 78% reduction in UK emissions

By 2035: EPC C for owner-occupied homes (Clean Growth Strategy) **By 2035**: 40,600 homes retrofitted with at least one energy efficiency measures

2035

By 2035: 75% reduction in domestic

12,799 off-street

2035

Heat pumps in 55% homes (25,267 ASHPs)

By 2040: Rooftop solar on 55% of existing

By 2040: 51,200 homes retrofitted with at least one energy efficiency measures

By 2040: 87% reduction in domestic emissions

Revised Oxford Local Plan ends

2040

**Net zero** Oxford

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**ZCO Partnership actions** 

**UK Government actions** 

**Local Authority actions** 

Net zero pathway requirements

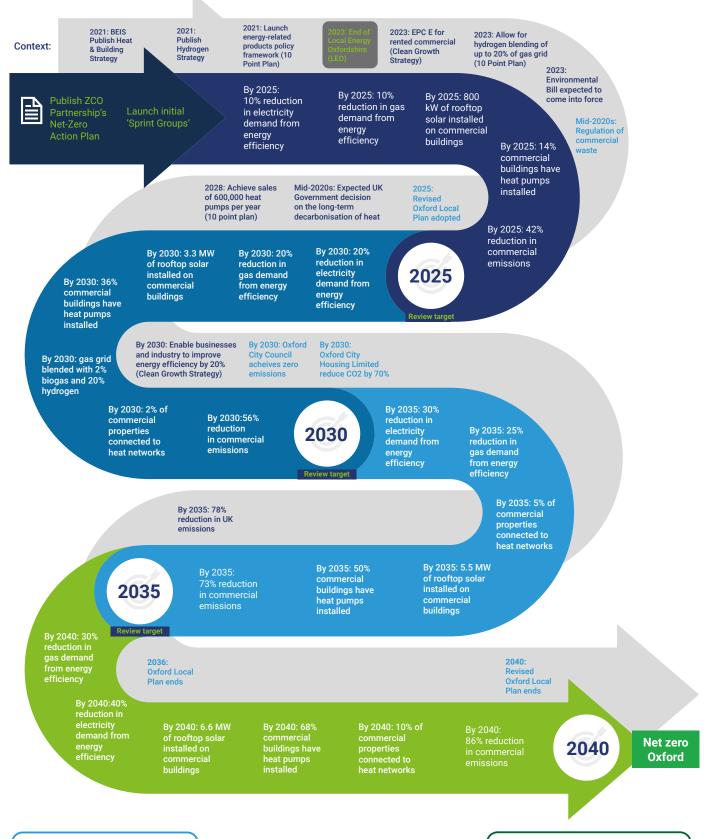
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### **Commercial**



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### **Industrial**

2022: Finalise 2023: Allow for By 2025: Aim for 1 GW of hydrogen Publish preferred hydrogen business models hydrogen blending of up to 20% of gas grid Environmental Context: Bill expected to come into force Hydrogen production capacity (10 Point Plan) Strategy (10 Point Plan) (10 Point Plan) Mid-2020s: Regulation of By 2025: 10% By 2025: 10% By 2025: 42% commercial reduction in reduction in of industrial Launch initial electricity fossil fuel processes are demand for demand for electrified industry from industry from Revised Oxford Local Action Plan (baseline 34%) energy efficiency energy efficiency By 2025: 5.3 MW of rooftop solar connected to industrial Mid-2020s: Expected UK By 2030: Aiming for 5GW hydrogen production capacity in partnership buildings Government decision on the long-term with industry (10 Point Plan) decarbonisation of heat By 2025: 47% By 2030: 30% reduction in By 2030: 30% By 2030: 45% carbon emissions reduction in reduction in of industrial fossil fuel from 2018 levels electricity demand for processes are 2025 demand for electrified industry from energy efficiency By 2030: 33% industry from (baseline 34%) energy efficiency reduction in overall industrial energy demand By 2030: Oxford By 2030: Enable businesses and **City Council By 2030**: gas grid industry to improve energy efficiency acheives zero blended with 2% by 20% (Clean Growth Strategy) biogas and 20% hydrogen **By 2030**: 10.7 MW By 2030: 64% By 2035: 12.9 MW of rooftop solar reduction of rooftop solar 2030 in carbon connected to emissions from industrial buildings industrial buildings 2018 levels By 2035: 52% processes are electrified (baseline 34%) By 2035: 78% reduction in UK emissions By 2035: 32% reduction in electricity demand for industry from Bv 2035: 32% By 2035: By 2035: 38% 77% reduction (Industry & reduction in overall industrial fossil fuel energy efficiency 2035 Agriculture) industry from energy efficiency energy demand Review target By 2040: 58% of industrial processes are electrified Revised **Oxford Local** By 2040: 14.4 MW of rooftop solar connected to industrial buildings **By 2040**: 45% reduction in overall industrial reduction in carbon emissions from 2018 levels **Net zero** 2040 Oxford energy demand

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UK Government actions

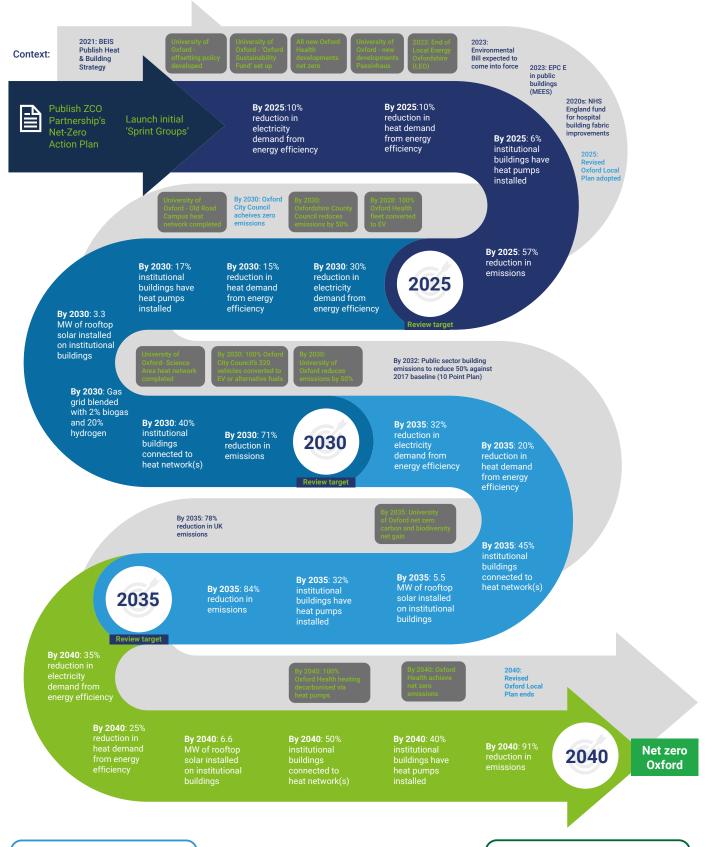
**Local Authority actions** 

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### Institutional



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#### **Transport** 2021: Launch National Bus Strategy and first electric bus town (10 Point Plan) 2021: Publish 2021: Publish 2021: Launch consultation on phase-out of new diesel HGVs (10 Point Plan) 2022: ZEZ full rollout delivery plan of key milestones to meet phase-out Green Paper on post-EU emissions regulations (10 Point Plan) By 2023: Ofgem Context: to invest £300m in grid dates (10 Point Plan) strengthening 2023-24: First rail lines reopened (10 Point Plan) **By 2025**: 10% buses By 2025: 5% By 2025: Publish ZCO HGVs 15% buses Bv 2025: converted converted to electrified 25% of by 2025 to run on hydrogen Action Plan private cars 2025: Cycle biofuel (30) (95) training available to double national electrified by 2025 (12,878)cycling rates (10 Point Plan) \* 'EV chargers' includes: Domestic off-street Domestic on-street Workplace Fleet En-route local Destination Car park By 2030: England's motorways and major A roads will have 2,500 high-powered charge points By 2030: End sales of new petrol and diesel cars and vans (10 point plan) 2020s: Review of the Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Regulation 2025: Revised Oxford Local Plan adopted 2025: 4,374 EV charge points (10 Point Plan) chargers\* **By 2025**: 34% By 2030: 25% reduction **By 2030**: 40% buses **By 2030**: 50% of LGVs electrified By 2030: reduction in in use of road 20% buses By 2030: 2025 transport transport electrified converted to 80% of through cycling, walking, WFH and emissions by 2030 (187) hydrogen (99) by 2030 (3,354) private cars electrified car sharing (29,516) By 2030: 10% HGVs converted to By 2035: England's motorways and major A roads will have 6,000 high-powered charge points (10 Point Plan) biofuels (58) **By 2030**: 17% increase By 2035: By 2030: By 2030: **By 2030**: Rail is 100% **By 2030**: 10,133 EV **By 2035**: 100% of 2030 reduction converted to hydrogen in bus use in transport private cars electrified (33,268) By 2035: 80% of LGVs electrified By 2035: 78% reduction in UK emissions By 2035: 78% reduction in UK emissions By 2035: 50% buses electrified By 2035: By 2035: **2035**: 15,689 EV By 2035: 84% reduction in transport 2035 5% increase in bus use 20% increase in rail use Review target By 2040: 50% of buses electrified (251), Revised Oxford Local By 2040: 100% of vans and motorbikes electrified By 2040: 30% of HGVs switch to By 2040: 92% reduction in transport emissions By 2040: 30% reduction in use of road **2040**: 16,491 EV chargers\* **Net zero** 2040 **Oxford**

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