Live Labs II: WSCC & SGC: Carbon Assessments

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What it will look like...







A unified programme across both councils



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Carbon monitoring and value assessment

The project removes carbon emissions in **six** ways – each of these have distinct measurement and data collection strategies + wider outcomes

CO2 reduction methods
Fugitive/hidden emissions
Asphalt emissions through use of Hydrochar
Resilience increase through use of Hydrochar
Fossil fuels replaced by Biofuel
Increase in embedded soil carbon in biodiverse verge
Optimisation of delivery operations across system







The project will aim to:-

- 1. Set a replicable methodology to collect data and measure carbon emissions.
- 2. Create and consolidate a baseline of current carbon emissions.
- 3. Map and identify fugitive emissions.
- 4. Track and record carbon emission during the lifecycle of the project.
- 5. Secure a long-standing methodology.





Work Streams – Quantitive Analysis

- Work stream 1 Baselining Carbon Emissions/current activity carbon assessment (Delivery Partner – FHRG - UWE)
 - Some challenging carbon boundaries ref waste i.e. Anaerobic digestion, Windrow, Pyrolysis
- Work Stream 2 Fugitive Emissions Baseline (Delivery Partner UWE)

- Assessment of emissions from cut and leave and from AD/Pyrolysis

- Work Stream 3 Soil Carbon Baseline –(Delivery Partner Plant life/UWE)
 - local variation dependent on various factors including geology and historic land use
- Work Stream 4 Carbon Emissions from new treatment processes (Delivery Partner Genico and Pyrolysis Provider TBC)

- calculation of and proportioning life cycle emissions based on throughput? Disposal of digestate and impact on soil carbon/nitrate absorption.





Work Streams – Quantitive Analysis Cont...

• Work Stream 5 Carbon 'insetting' form the new model of operations.

- Measurement of soil carbon enhancement, measurement of biomethane production from mixed food/grass digestate.

• Work Stream 6 – net Carbon Value of Process Outputs vrs existing material

- use/application of biomethane, carbon value of Bio/hydrochar dependent on purpose

• Work Stream 7 – 'Bringing it all together' Evaluation, Reporting and Defining the New Model

- How to account for local variation in devising carbon factors e.g. digestate going to landfill !





Applying the Doughnut!



- A platform to stack the benefits i.e. biodiversity, NFM.
- Consistent with South Glos's Climate and Nature Decision Wheel.









