

Climate change support & resources map (July 2021 update)

What is this for?

This document is an early version of a 'map' to signpost local authority Place Directors and their teams to sources of advice, support and other resources to help develop local strategies and action plans in response to Climate Emergency declarations. It provides a very brief overview of work by a range of national organisations, from within and outside the local government sector, to support local authorities on climate change work, providing links to relevant publications and tools. We intend to develop the document to make it more interactive, user-friendly, and dynamic – something that can be shared more widely, and perhaps updated directly by the organisations included below. If you have any suggestions as to how we might do this, please send them to Hannah Bartram Hannah.Bartram@eastsussex.gov.uk and David Dale daviddale2401@gmail.com – we want your feedback!

For further information about what ADEPT is doing around climate change, please go to the [Climate Change Hub](#) on our website.

What is included here?

For each of the organisations listed below we have drawn on publicly available information from their websites, and provided weblinks direct to the source. We have asked a series of questions about each one. Has the organisation:

1. Published a **policy statement** setting out its own position on climate change and/or policy asks of Government?
2. Prepared an **action plan** or workplan for its own future activities in relation to climate change?
3. Produced a **toolkit**, or does it provide **advice & support**, to help councils plan and implement climate change mitigation and adaptation actions in their local areas?
4. Published **case studies** of best practice by councils in tackling climate change locally?
5. Run practitioner **workshops** (either regional or thematic) to help councils tackle climate change?
6. Run a **conference**, or session at a conference, on climate change?
7. Provides advice and support to **businesses**, or has worked with corporate partners in the private sector on climate change?
8. Produced guidance for **parish and town councils**?
9. Commissioned or undertaken **research**, or analysed climate change data at a local level?

We know that the list of organisations, the questions asked, and the information shown will not be comprehensive – again, please send us your suggestions for what should be added.

How is the information presented?

There is a summary table (below) showing the answers to the nine questions about what each organisation is providing in terms of support and resources for councils (shown as weblinks where possible). In the subsequent section there is a short description of each organisation and its climate change activities, with weblinks to key documents.

Summary

Organisation	Policy statement ¹	Action plan ²	Toolkit/ advice ³	Case studies ⁴	Workshops ⁵	Conference ⁶	Private sector ⁷	Parish & Town Councils ⁸	Research/ data analysis ⁹
ADEPT	here	Yes	here	here	Yes	Yes	Yes		
APSE	here		here		here				
Ashden			here and here	here	here				
Carbon Trust			here						
Centre for Sustainable Energy			here	here					Yes
Core Cities	here								
Friends of the Earth	here		here	here				here	here
Greenpeace	here	here							
Green Alliance	here and here						here		
IEMA	here	here							
LEDNet	here	here							
Local Government Association	here and here		here and here	here		here			
Rapid Transition Alliance	here		here and here	here	here				
RTPI		here	here						
SOLACE									
TCPA			here and here						
Tyndall Centre			here and here						
UK100	here and here					Yes			

Organisations and activities

ADEPT

Organisation Name	The Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT)
Web Link	https://www.adeptnet.org.uk/
What we do	Represents Place Directors from county, unitary and combined authorities, along with Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) and corporate partners drawn from key service sectors. ADEPT is a membership based, voluntary organisation with over 80 local authority, 3 combined authorities, 3 sub-national transport bodies, 12 LEP and 18 Corporate Partner members across England. Our remit includes sustainable growth & devolution, infrastructure (including local highways and digital connectivity), planning & housing, and environment (including waste, flood & water management, energy, natural capital, climate change). Climate change policy position published June 2019. Adaptation guidance Preparing for a Changing Climate published June 2019 with LAAP. Case studies produced via annual President’s Awards scheme.
Activities/Contact Details	Climate change seminars with corporate partners March 2019 and March 2020. Sessions at Spring Conference June 2019 and May 2020. Climate change & environment now one of ADEPT’s strategic priorities. Live Labs ‘smart energy’ theme. Set up independent Advisory Panel with partners October 2019. Session at Autumn Conference November 2019 and planned for Autumn Conference November 2021. Regional workshops took place in person and virtually 2020-2021. Clean Growth policy position published June 2020 and Green Finance toolkit May 2020. Active Travel policy position published July 2020. E-scooters policy position published September 2020.

APSE

Organisation Name	Association for Public Sector Excellence (APSE)
Web Link	https://www.apse.org.uk/apse/
What we do	A not-for-profit unincorporated association working with over 300 councils throughout the UK, hosting a network for frontline service providers in areas such as waste and refuse collection, parks and environmental services, leisure, grounds maintenance, building maintenance, etc. APSE Energy research publication Climate emergency declarations 2019 provides guidance on the scope of climate emergency motions and how to develop a coherent action plan through all levels of the organisation in the short, medium and long term.
Activities/Contact Details	Climate emergency seminars Trees and Woodlands Seminar July 2021, APSE Scotland Fleet, Waste and Grounds Seminar May 2022. CEO Paul O'Brien. Contact Phil Brennan, Head of APSE Energy on 0161 772 1810 or at pbrennan@apse.org.uk .

Ashden

Organisation Name	Ashden
Web Link	https://www.ashden.org/
What we do	Support and promote clean energy initiatives internationally and share best practice. Case studies identified via annual awards scheme awards-winners . Have published climate change co-benefits toolkit for councils launched at regional events in Lancaster and Bristol in 2019, and (with FOE) published top-31-climate-actions-for-councils to help councils to deliver their climate action plans an evidence-based list of the most effective actions councils can take based on cost, effectiveness, and co-benefits. Ashden contributed to the ADEPT joint Boards meeting in October 2019 and are providing speakers for some of our regional workshops. Run a Liveable Cities programme focussed on the 7 mayoral combined authority city-regions. Charitable company limited by guarantee. Funded (part) by Sainsbury Trust. Sarah Butler-Sloss is Chair of Trustees and Jonathan Porritt is on the Board.
Activities/Contact Details	Ashden Events , Renewable Energy July 2021, Climate Photography July 2021, Zero Carbon July 2021. CEO Harriet Lamb. Contacts Cara Jenkinson (Cities Manager) cara.jenkinson@ashden.org and Emma Jones (City Region Network Coordinator) emma.jones@ashden.org .

Carbon Trust

Organisation Name	Carbon Trust
Web Link	https://www.carbontrust.com/
What we do	Our mission is to accelerate the delivery of a sustainable, low carbon economy by helping businesses, governments and organisations across the globe to reduce carbon emissions and increase resource efficiency. Offer services to councils including early stage scoping to better define an approach to carbon reduction and neutrality, carbon footprinting, emissions forecasting, strategy and action plan development, accelerating delivery through detailed planning, business case development, project management, procurement support, monitoring and evaluation
Activities/Contact Details	Carbon Trust Seminars Environment Analyst UK Business Summit 2021 June 2021 , Reuters Events: Global Energy Transition June 2021, Smarter Tariffs – Smarter Comparisons July 2021. Chief Executive – Tom Delay.

Centre for Sustainable Energy

Organisation Name	Centre for Sustainable Energy
Web Link	https://www.cse.org.uk/
What we do	CSE is an independent national charity aiming to share knowledge and practical experience to empower people to change the way they think and act about energy - giving advice, managing innovative energy projects, training and supporting others to act, and undertaking research and policy analysis. Approximately 60 different and separately-funded projects underway to help people and communities meet real needs for both environmentally sound and affordable energy services. Based in Bristol, 60 staff, CEO Simon Roberts. Climate emergency support programme for councils launched September 2019 (funded from CSE's own reserves) providing free strategic advice and practical support on issues including district heat mapping, vulnerability measures, renewables, planning policy, energy efficiency, and community engagement. Also working with partner organisations to bring in expertise on transport, waste, etc. Also looking to provide data set of socio-economic data (more details needed). "We will then look to scale up the programme to help any local authority create and deliver a strategic and meaningful climate emergency action plan."
Activities/Contact Details	Contact climateemergency@cse.org.uk or Programme Director rachel.coxcoon@cse.org.uk 0117 934 1426.

Core Cities

Organisation Name	Core Cities
Web Link	https://www.corecities.com/
What we do	Our Mission: To unlock the full potential of our great cities to create a stronger, fairer economy and society. The ten Core Cities – Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Glasgow, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Nottingham, Sheffield – urban areas deliver 28% of the combined economic output of England, Wales and Scotland (26.5% of the UK economy) and are home to almost 19 million, 30.7% of the combined English, Welsh and Scottish population (29.8% of the UK population).
Activities/Contact Details	Director – Chris Murray. Based in Manchester.

Friends of the Earth

Organisation Name	Friends of the Earth
Web Link	https://friendsoftheearth.uk/
What we do	Long-established environmental campaigning group – lead campaigns, provide resources and information. Not for profit company limited by guarantee. Climate change policy asks set out in 6-point-climate-action-plan . Have published a 50 point action plan for councils , also a 20 point action plan for parish and town councils . Published case studies in October/November 2019 including Nottingham workplace parking levy, Cambridgeshire energy, and Warwickshire lift-sharing. Also data analysis about how areas (not councils) are performing climate-friendly-communities using data on tree cover, public transport, homes insulation, recycling, and renewable energy (methodology). London based, with network of local groups.
Activities/Contact Details	CEO Craig Bennett. Head of Policy Mike Childs sits on ADEPT Advisory Panel mike.childs@foe.co.uk .

Greenpeace

Organisation Name	Greenpeace
Web Link	https://www.greenpeace.org.uk/
What we do	International environmental NGO and campaigning organisation. Climate Manifesto August 2019. Green investment September 2019.
Activities/Contact Details	Board Chair Andrew MacParland. Peter Newell (RTA and ADEPT Advisory Panel) is a Board Member. Executive Director John Sauven.

Green Alliance

Organisation Name	Green Alliance
Web Link	https://www.green-alliance.org.uk/
What we do	Green Alliance is an independent think tank and charity focused on ambitious leadership for the environment. Working with the leaders in business, NGOs and politics to accelerate political action and create transformative policy for a green and prosperous UK. Their Climate leadership programme works with MPs and leaders to raise awareness of the issues. Climate action plan published 2015. Report on Power to the people in July 2019 looked at citizen engagement in developing climate change strategies. Report on Clean local growth published October 2019 (with Localis) looks at using local industrial strategies to drive change. Report Countdown to COP26 published November 2019 sets out 5 policy asks and has short contributions from CBI, TUC, academia, etc. Local Climate Emergency project (October 2019-March 2021) working with 2 or 3 councils (??) to help clarify and prioritise actions to implement local declarations, including new approaches to citizen engagement.
Activities/Contact Details	Green Alliance Events. Head of Policy Roz Bulleid rbulleid@green-alliance.org.uk

IEMA

Organisation Name	IEMA
Web Link	https://www.iema.net/
What we do	Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment is a professional body for people working in environment and sustainability, providing support, resources, training and representation. Not for profit organisation limited by guarantee.
Activities / Contact Details	IEMA Events and Seminars. Climate Innovation Forum June 2021, South West: Our Planet – Our Business Film and Discussion June 2021. Chair Paul Leinster. Executive Director Martin Baxter.

LEDNet

Organisation Name	LEDNet
Web Link	https://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/our-key-themes/environment/london-environment-directors-network
What we do	The London Environment Directors' Network (LEDNet) is the membership association for London's Environment Directors, working together to deliver more effective and efficient environmental services, as a key component of place-shaping. Collaborate with ADEPT on common issues. Published joint policy position with ADPH on air quality in September 2019 Cleaning up London's air . With London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee (TEC) published Joint statement on climate change in December 2019 (see p21 of meeting papers).
Activities/Contact Details	Paul Dunphy (Camden) sits on ADEPT Advisory Panel. LEDNet Chair Victoria Lawson. Programme Manager Kate Hand kate.hand@londoncouncils.gov.uk

Local Government Association

Organisation Name	Local Government Association
Web Link	https://www.local.gov.uk/
What we do	<p>“We are the national voice of local government, working with councils to support, promote and improve local government.” 339 member councils in England. A politically-led, cross-party organisation that works on behalf of councils to ensure local government has a strong, credible voice with national government. Ran Climate Local initiative (successor to Nottingham Declaration) from 2012. Published acting-on climate-change workbook for Councillors in October 2017. Publishes case-studies. 2019 LGA General Assembly motion calling for sustainable Government funding for councils to deliver the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals here. Organised national conference on climate emergency 22nd January 2020, Carolyn McKenzie (ADEPT) and David Symons (WSP) were amongst the speakers. Website support hub here. Based London. 350 staff.</p>
Activities/Contact Details	<p>Virtual events include, managing carers in the workplace July 2021, International travel June 2021.</p> <p>CEO Mark Lloyd. Contact Hilary Tanner Hilary.Tanner@local.gov.uk . Hilary sits on the ADEPT Advisory Panel and contributed to the joint Boards meeting in October 2019.</p>

Rapid Transition Alliance

Organisation Name	Local Government Association
Web Link	https://www.rapidtransition.org/
What we do	<p>Network of organisations to share learning about actions at a speed and scale to match the challenge of climate change, united by the importance of ‘evidence-based hope’. The Rapid Transition Alliance is being coordinated by a small group of people drawn from the New Weather Institute, the School of Global Studies at the University of Sussex, and the ESRC STEPS Centre at the Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU) and the Institute of Development Studies.</p> <p>The work of the Alliance is kindly supported by the KR Foundation. Published a Rapid Transition pledge. Published a briefing in December 2019, a quick guide to some of the emerging resources and initiatives focused on practical support and guidance to sub-national authorities. Case studies include the Leeds civic plan and stories of change</p>
Activities/Contact Details	Based in Brighton/University of Sussex. RTA Co-ordinator is Andrew Simms. Research Director Peter Newell sits on ADEPT Advisory Panel P.J.Newell@sussex.ac.uk .

RTPI

Organisation Name	RTPI
Web Link	https://www.rtpi.org.uk/
What we do	The Royal Town Planning Institute is a membership body and professional association for planners (25,000 members). Rising to the climate crisis planning guidance for councils (2018). Law and policy briefing Planning for climate change (September 2019, with TCPA and Client Earth).
Activities / Contact Details	President Ian Tant. CEO Victoria Hills. Policy Officer Daniel Slade contributed to ADEPT joint Boards meeting October 2019.

SOLACE

Organisation Name	SOLACE
Web Link	https://www.solace.org.uk/
What we do	Membership organisation for local authority chief executives and other senior public sector leaders, offering a range of services including personal and organisational development, events, interim and executive recruitment, and policy influencing. Event in September 2019 (Nigel attended) with actions around evidenced solutions, sharing notable practice, a network for sharing advice on individual and organisational changes, and engaging with a wide range of partners. President Martin Swales (North Tyneside).
Activities/Contact Details	Online Events Biodiversity and ecological conservation June 2021, `RTPI Presidents Visit – Digital South West June 2021, Green Infrastructure and Landscape June 2021. Managing Director Graeme McDonald. Paul Dunphy is a Non-Executive Director. Contact Harry Chambers (Policy Support Officer) Harry.Chambers@solace.org.uk

TCPA

Organisation Name	The Town and Country Planning Association
Web Link	https://www.tcpa.org.uk/
What we do	The Town and Country Planning Association campaigns for the reform of the UK's planning system to make it more responsive to people's needs and aspirations and to promote sustainable development. The TCPA occupies a unique position, overlapping with those involved in the development industry, the environmental movement and social justice campaigners. The association prides itself on leading-edge, radical thinking and problem-solving.
Activities/Contact Details	TCPA Events Webinar: Achieving viability in new communities June 2021, Conference: Achieving a Healthy Green Recovery – the essential role of green infrastructure July 2021, Planning healthcare spaces in new places October 2021. Chief Executive – Fiona Howie.

UK100

Organisation Name	UK100
Web Link	https://www.uk100.org/
What we do	UK100 is a network of local government leaders (including some ADEPT councils), who have <u>pledged</u> to secure the future for their communities by shifting to 100% clean energy by 2050. They connect local leaders to each other, to business and to national government, enabling them to showcase their achievements, learn from each other and speak collectively to accelerate the transition to clean energy. They work closely with elected representatives, policy experts and grassroots campaigners to campaign for clean air and clean energy. They organise Clean Air Summits and regional workshops on financing green energy. They have collaborated with ADEPT on air quality issues and working with Defra. Jason Torrance spoke at the ADEPT Autumn Conference in November 2019.
Activities/Contact Details	UK 100 Events International Net Zero Local Leadership Conference July 2021. Director Polly Billington. Contact Jason Torrance, Clean Air Cities Director jason.torrance@uk100.org