

Developing a Systems Approach to reaching Net Zero



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Recent Developments in Response to Net Zero Commitments

Prime Minister's 10-point plan for a Green Industrial Revolution



- Offshore Wind – 40GW, 2030
- Hydrogen – 5GW production
- Nuclear – AMRs/ SMRs
- Electric Vehicles
- Public Transport, cycle/walk
- Jet Zero & Greener Maritime
- Homes / Public Buildings
- Carbon Capture
- Nature – 30k Hectares trees
- Innovation & Finance

PM's Council for Science and Technology



Achieving Net Zero through a whole systems approach:

- Strengthened institutions, frameworks and leadership across Government
- Develop analytical capability, info & reporting to inform decisions
- Maximise use of technology, mobilise finance and international collaboration

Energy Systems Catapult – 2050 Scenario Analysis



- ~2-3x Elect. Gen. Capacity
- Nuclear / BE-CCS
- Renewables & Decentralise
- -ve emissions (DAC etc)
- Transport revolution
- Industry electrification
- Demand-side behaviours

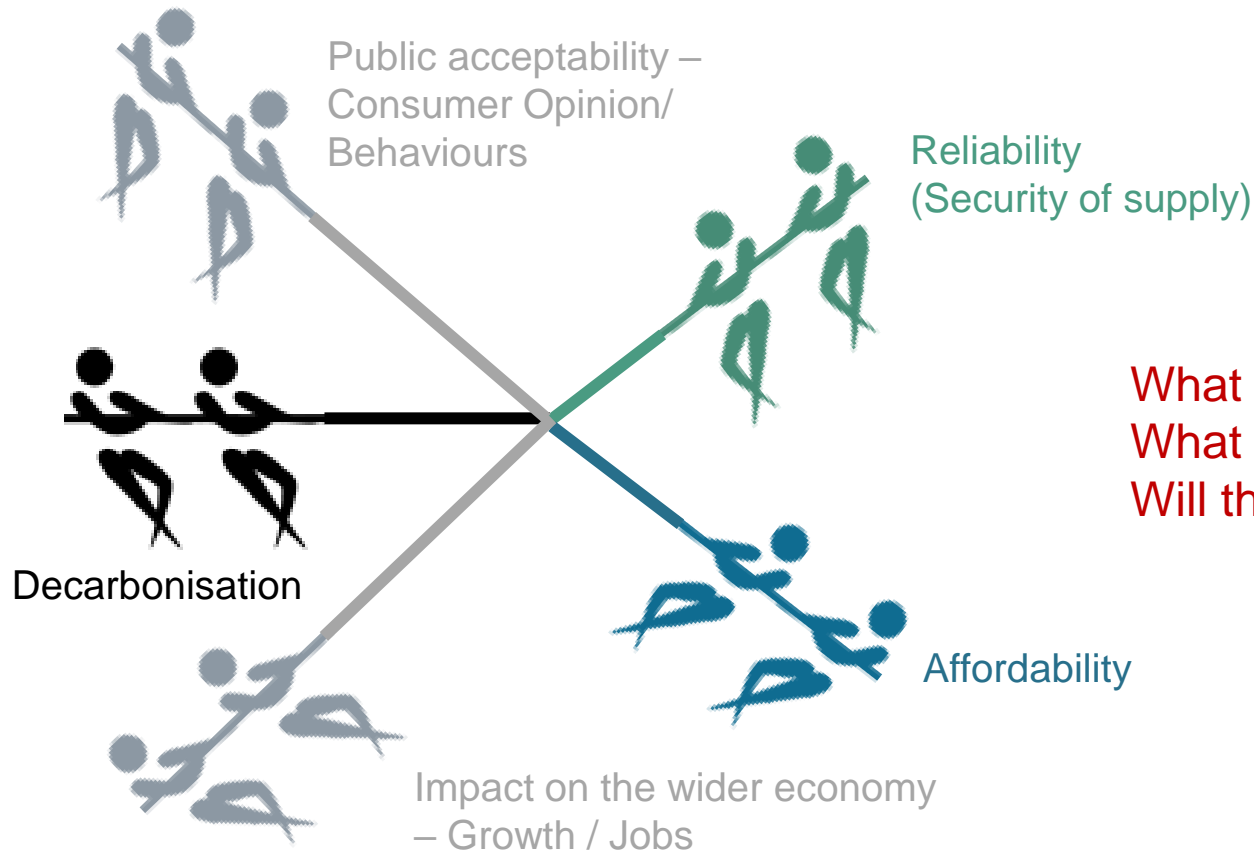
Systems approaches to policymaking: national scale

Advice from the Prime Minister's Council on Science and Technology (CST):

"Achieving net zero carbon emissions through a whole systems approach"

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Strengthen the institutions, governance frameworks and leadership structures needed across central government to galvanise action to achieve net zero.<ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Integrated multi-disciplinary analytical hub supporting all government decisions on climateii. Translate the net zero target into all areas of policyiii. Stable leadership from the top of government | <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Develop the analytical capability, flow of information, and reporting needed to inform decision.<ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Ensure that the all government bodies are collecting the right data and passing the information to the analytical hub.ii. Publish carbon emissions assessments for all public sector policies, including major infrastructure projects or investments. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Maximise the contribution of technology, mobilise financial systems and galvanise international collaboration.<ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Mission-driven research and innovationii. A National Infrastructure Investment Bankiii. International collaborations on trade, investment, finance, technology, capacity building and R&D. |
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Key Driver: The Energy Trilemma (and extensions....)



What are the options ?
What will they cost ?
Will they work ?

Scotland's Draft Energy Strategy



'Whole-system' view

- Economic modelling, informing view of Scotland's future energy supply and demand
- **Integrated approach to heat, power and transport**
- New 50% 'all energy' 2030 renewables target
- Renewed focus on energy efficiency and energy demand reduction



2050 energy transition

- Long-term plan, consistent with requirements of the Climate Change Plan
- Flexible to future changes in technology and patterns of energy use
- Managed transition of energy supply, post-nuclear



A smarter model of local energy provision

- Encouragement for new localised models of energy supply and use
- Enhanced role for local planning and local ownership
- New economic opportunities of energy storage and 'smart' energy solutions





Strategic Partners:



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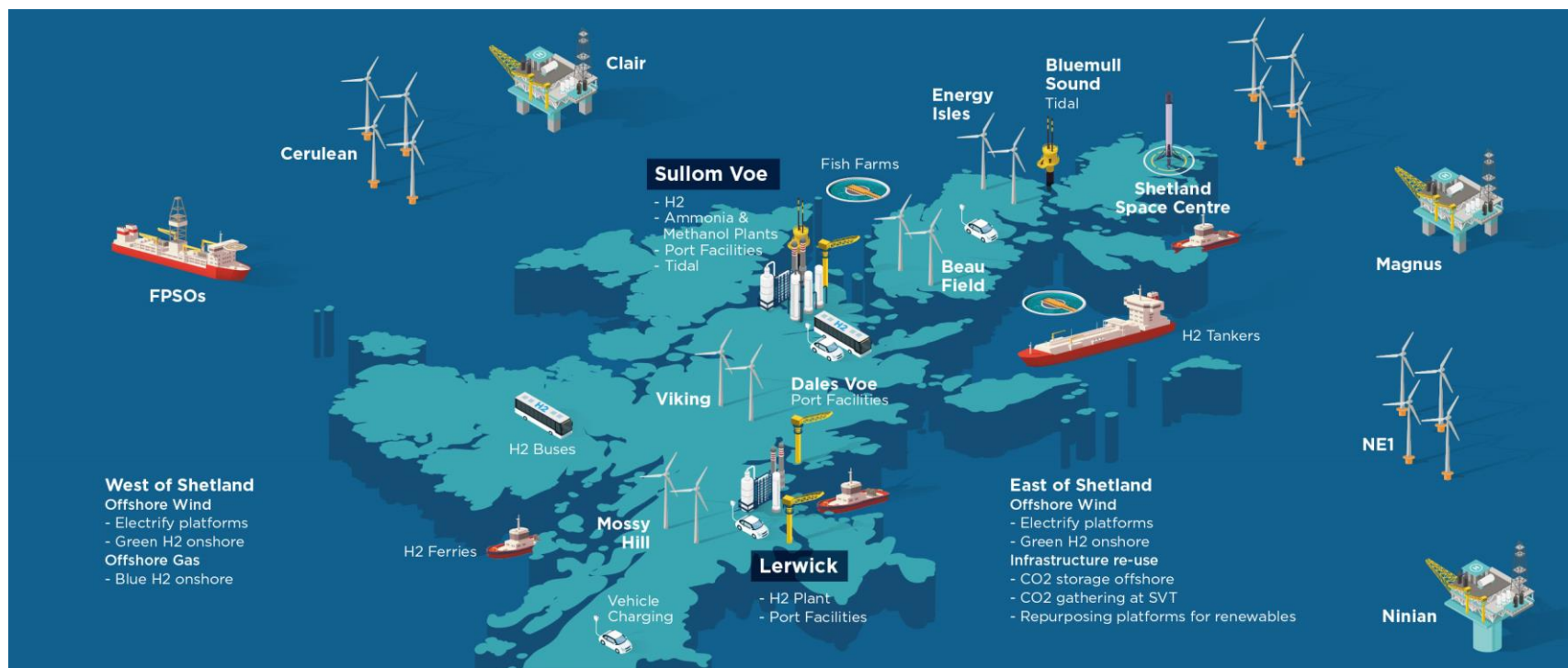
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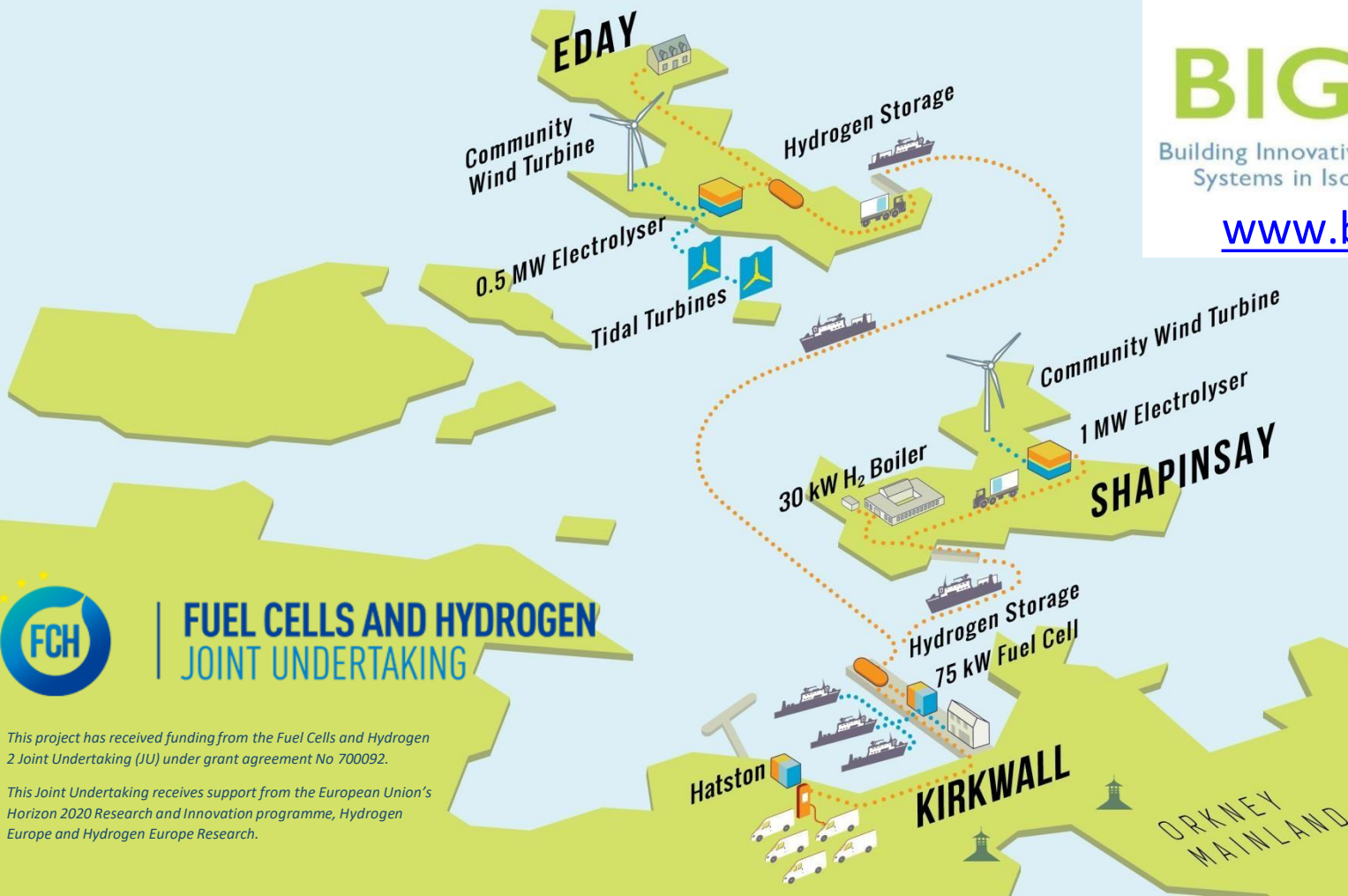


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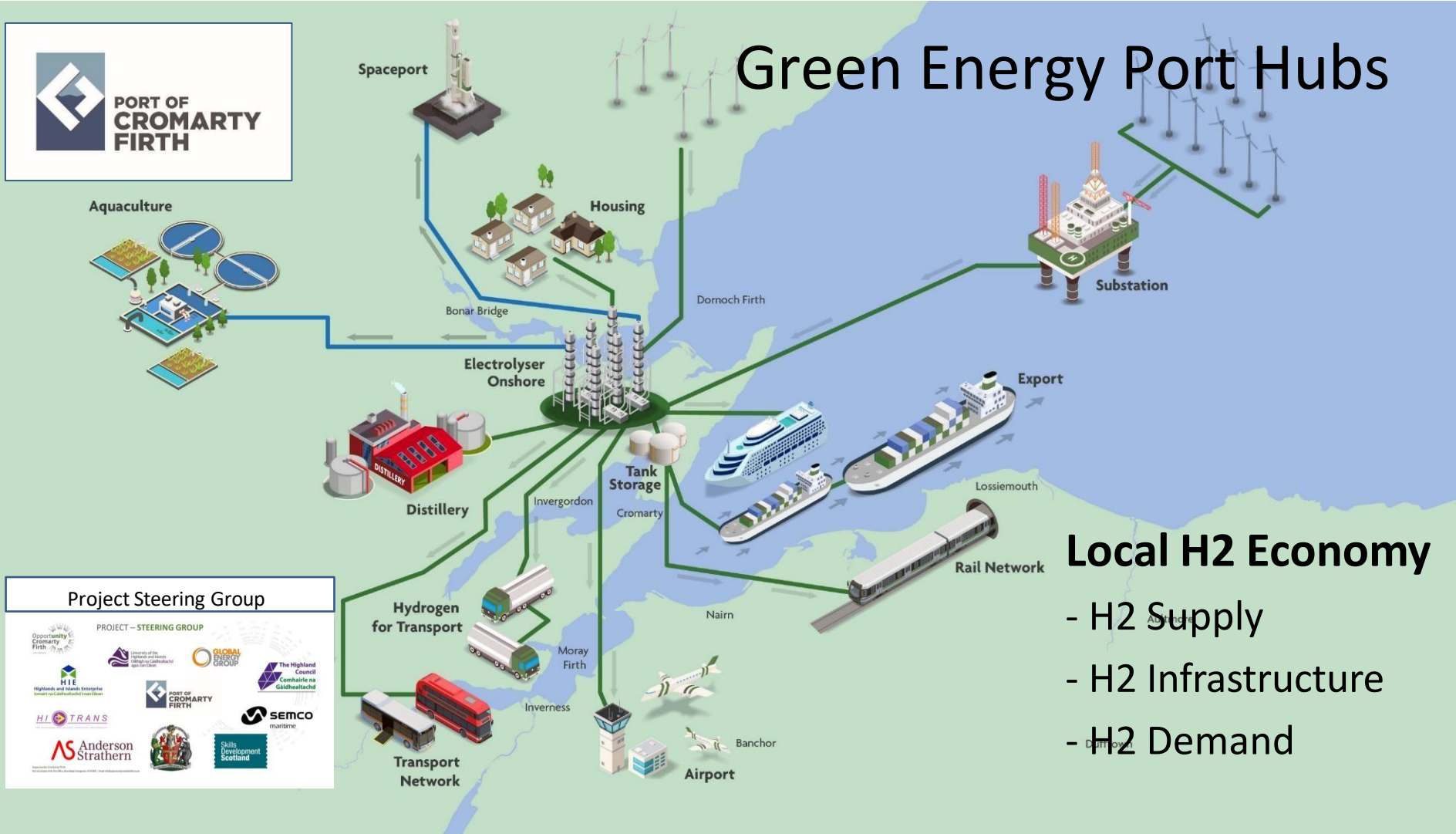
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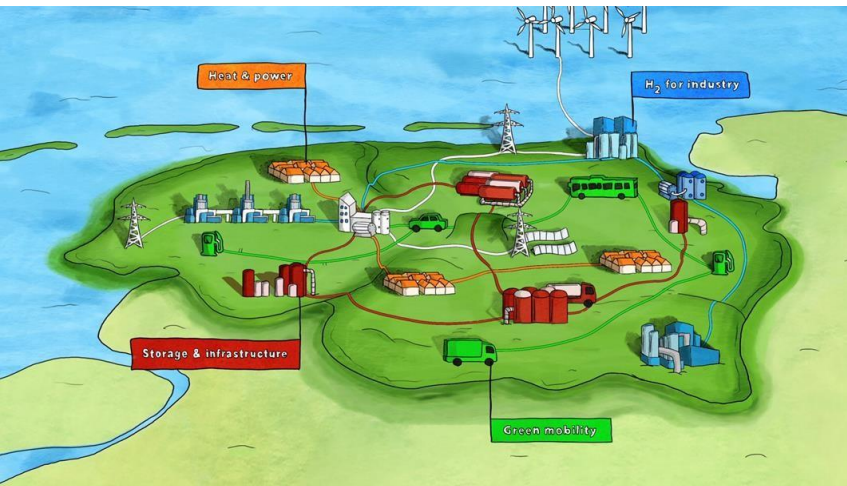
Green Energy Port Hubs



Local H2 Economy

- H2 Supply
- H2 Infrastructure
- H2 Demand

HEAVENN: H2 Valley in the North Netherlands



HEAVENN: 30 partners from 7 EU countries

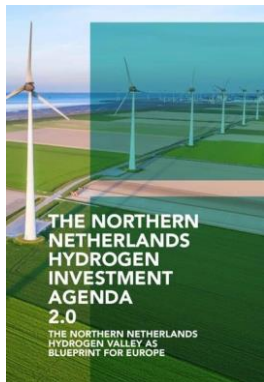
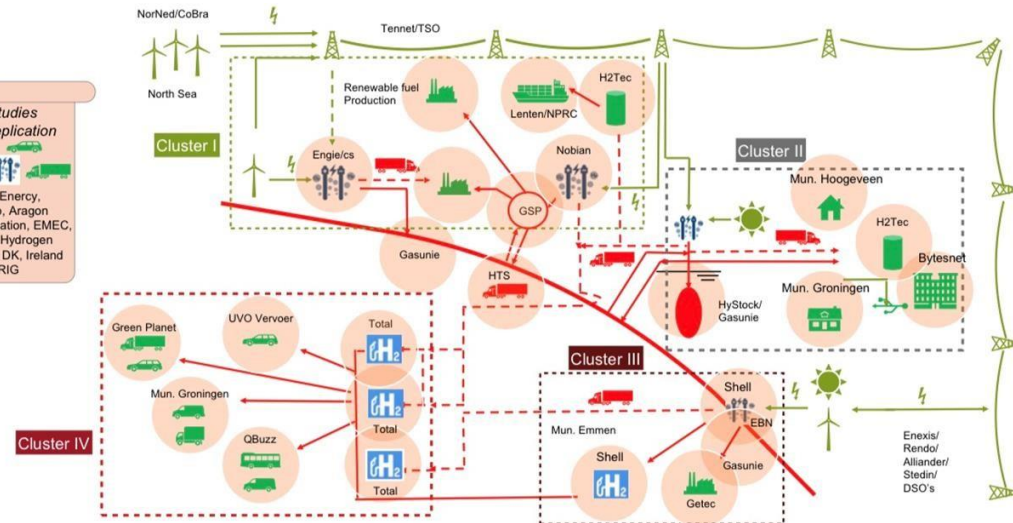
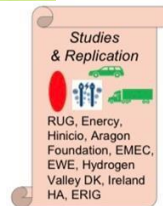
- Total project investment over €98 million
- EU project contribution €20 million
- H2 Valleys represents the next development stage towards a local H2 economy - linking individual projects and developing local H2 infrastructure.

North Netherlands Economy

- Energy Transition
- Economic Growth



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SUSTAINABLE GLASGOW



- City Council declared climate and ecological emergency for the city in May 2019
- Partnership between local government, academia, organisations and business.
- First ambition is for the city to **become carbon neutral by 2030**, there are significant challenges around decarbonising heat and transport in particular.
- Net zero strategy is under development with support of the Energy Systems Catapult and Connected Places Catapult
- Thematic hubs



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Infrastructure
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Greening the
City

Private Sector
and Green
Recovery

Housing and
Heating

Strathclyde chairs
the Green
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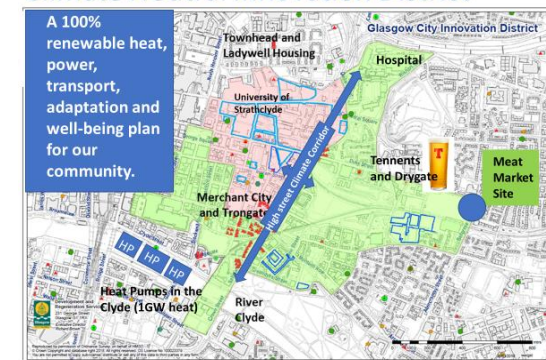


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- Climate Emergency Implementation Plan approved June 2021 includes 52 Action Areas, with Sustainable Glasgow cited 31 times across multiple action areas
- Green Economy Hub launched Sustainable Glasgow Charter Pledge June 2021 with all major businesses and organisations signing to collaborate
- Future power infrastructure workshop held May 2021 with SPEN (utility) and other key organisations - focus on coordination and planning to accelerate electrification by anticipating new demand.
- Transport infrastructure focus across multiple authorities (city, regional and national) joining up and bridging across silos
- Exemplar infrastructure projects like Carbon Neutral Innovation District and climate adaptation with Climate Ready Clyde
- **Convening and coordination role: Accelerating plans and highlighting challenging trade offs – net zero and just transition**

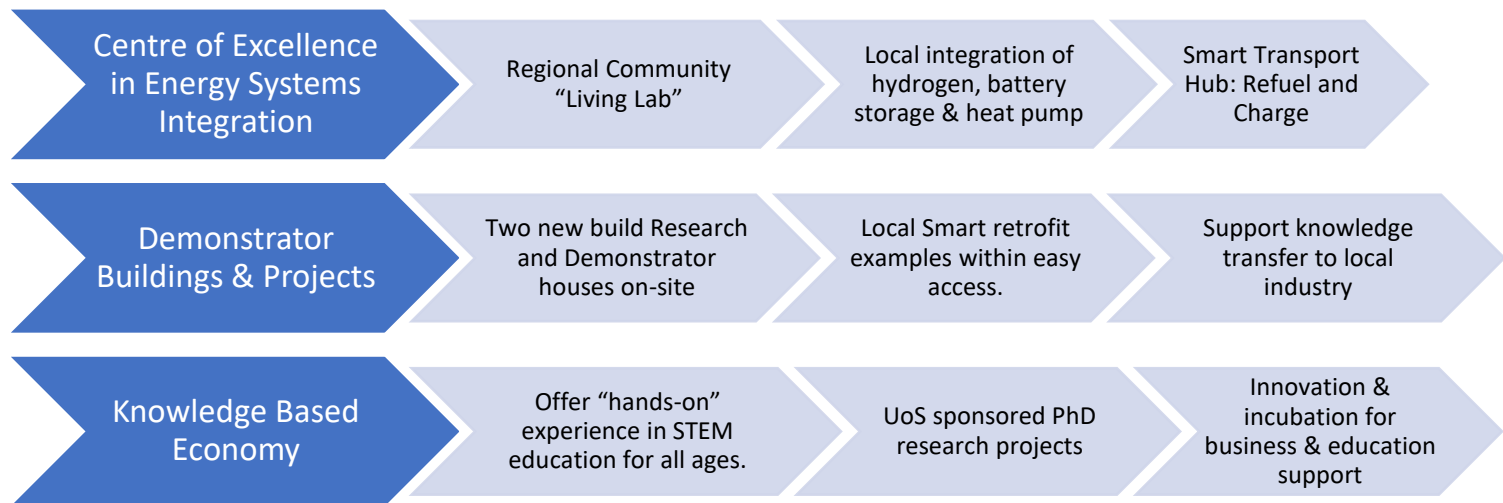


Climate Neutral Innovation District



CORE (Community Renewable Energy)

*CORE aims to accelerate transition to the future 100% renewable climate positive energy system for power, heat and transport within the Cumnock area and be an exemplar to Scotland and the UK in making the transition to a low carbon society. **Funded by East Ayrshire Growth Deal (£17.5M UK Gov, £7.5M East Ayrshire Council) the partners (target >10x with leveraged spend)***



CORE: Key Partners



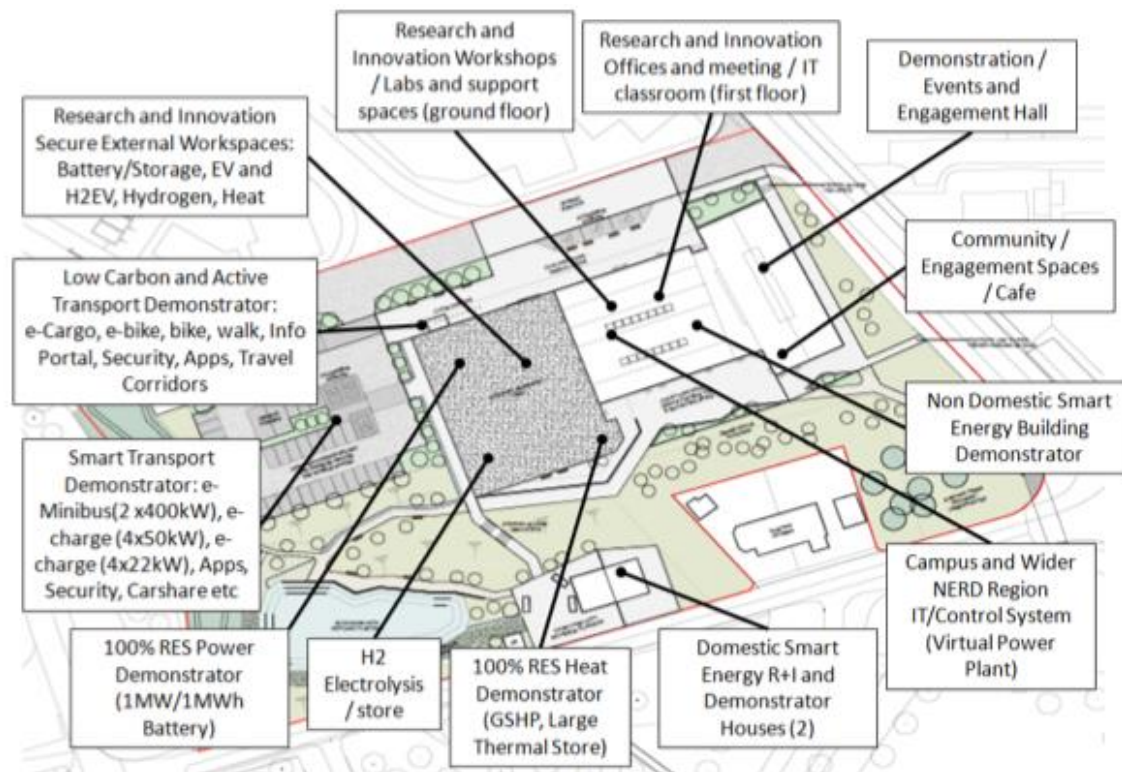
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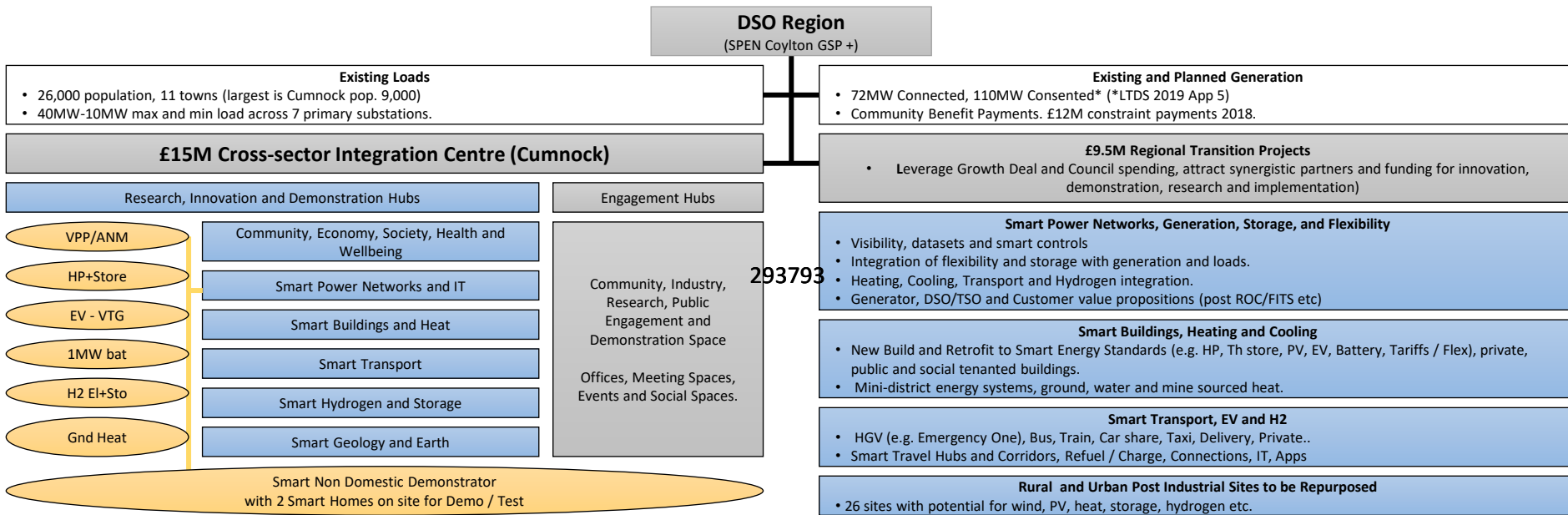
CORE: Research, Innovation & Demonstration Centre



East Ayrshire Growth Deal: £24.5M National Energy Research Demonstrator

A Regional Community 'Living Lab' for Just Transition to Renewable Transport, Heat, Power

A Multi-Sector Integration Research and Innovation Project To Benefit Local Community and Economy



Proposed Operational Models – Self Sustaining Research Innovation Infrastructure to 2030 and beyond.

- EAC / Strathclyde / SPEN collaboration.
- Innovation Model for Industry / Research / Funder / ESC / EAC collaboration. ETP and PNDC engagement models for Industry Journeys and routes to funding. Alignments with UOS Departments / EAC and SPEN for synergistic leveraged funding opportunities.
- SPEN network transition with visibility and flexibility key. WESA/PNDC integration: datasets, field trials, deployments, wider adoption and impact assessments.
- Now working on Governance, Financial, Operational, Contractual Arrangements and Technical Specifications for Approvals and OBC submission Aug 21.
- Project start Jan 22, Growth Deal spend complete by Jun 2030. (joint opportunities already being pursued)