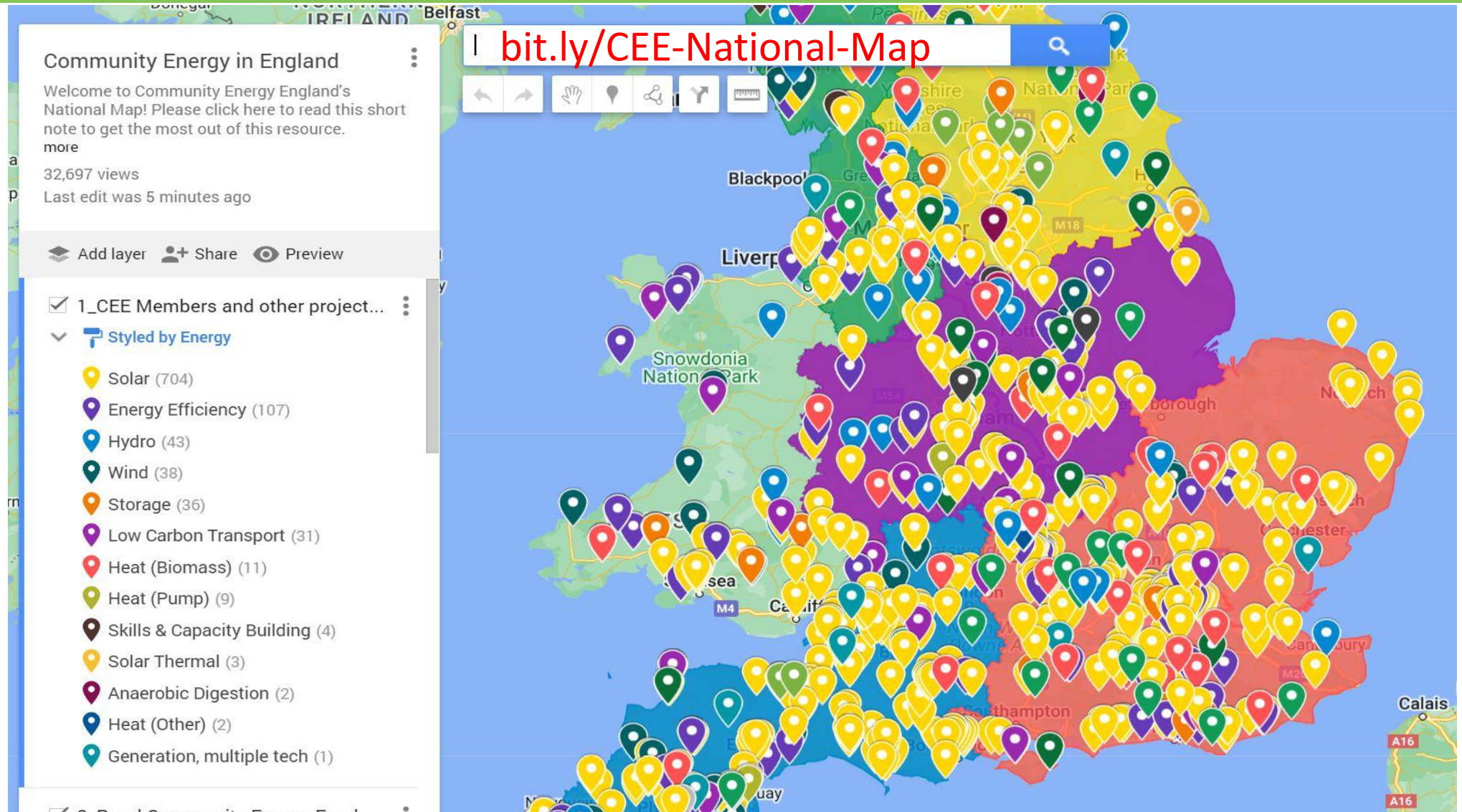


Community energy is people getting together to do energy projects to tackle climate change and benefit the community

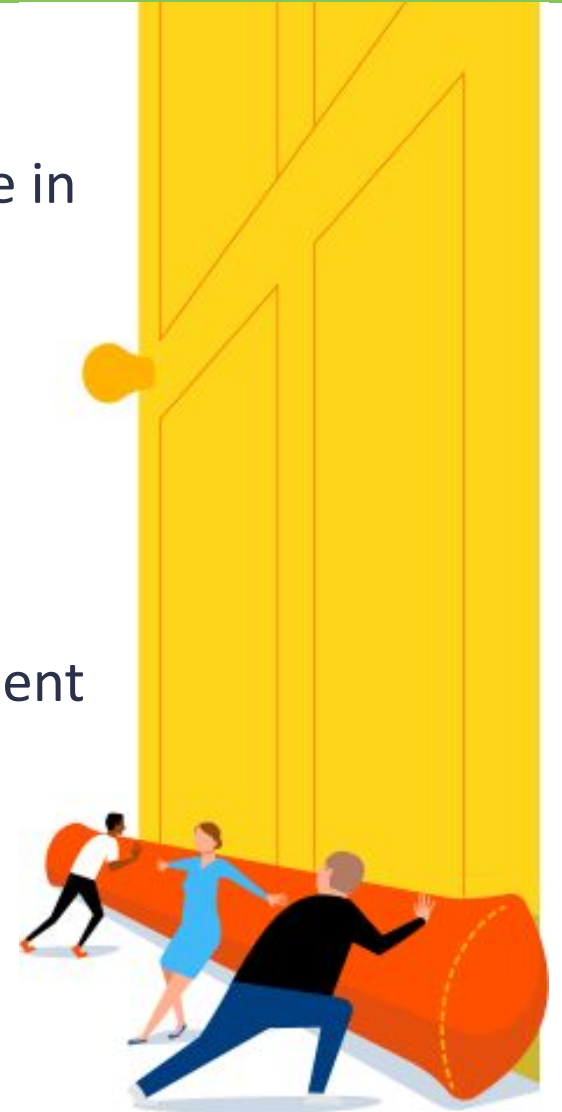


Community energy organisations across the country see our National Map



Community Energy benefits

- » Harnesses local passion, expertise and money
- » Trusted, local intermediary/advocate, involving people in practical, visible, beneficial, local climate action.
 - » 4-5 times better at engaging the public than commercial players.
- » Brings 12-13 times the social benefit of commercial projects
 - » Fuel poverty work 10:1 social return on investment
 - » Wind up to 34 times better
- » Innovative: focusing increasingly on heat, energy efficiency, retrofit, low carbon transport, flexibility.



State of the Sector...

In 2021:

90 organisations

delivered a range of low carbon transport activities including installing 113 electric vehicle charging stations;

installed 7.5 MW of new renewable electricity capacity,

taking the total community owned capacity in the UK to 331 MW;

raised £21.5m

investment for new projects across the UK.

The community energy sector engaged with

217,489 people

across the UK via an extensive network of members, volunteers and paid employees;



18 new community energy organisations, bringing the total to 495 across the UK;



engaged 57,600 individuals/communities

via energy efficiency initiatives, helping save an estimated £3.35m from people's energy bills;



Net zero not possible without people and communities.

“It will not be possible to get close to meeting a net-zero target without engaging with people.. people need to be brought into the decision-making process and derive a sense of ownership of the Net Zero project. ”



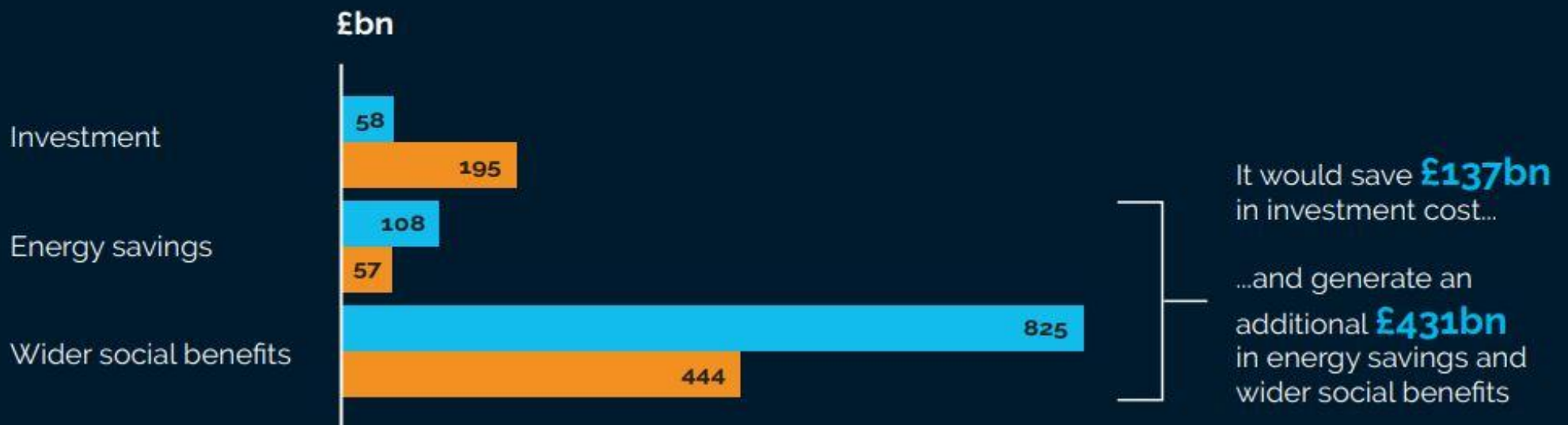
Local is where it's at!

Place-specific assumes city regions select the most socially cost-effective combination of low carbon measures.

Place-agnostic assumes proportionately uniform adoption of low carbon measures across city regions.

Accelerating Net Zero Delivery, InnovateUK ukri.org

Adopting a place-specific approach (rather than a place-agnostic one) could generate greater benefits and lower costs.



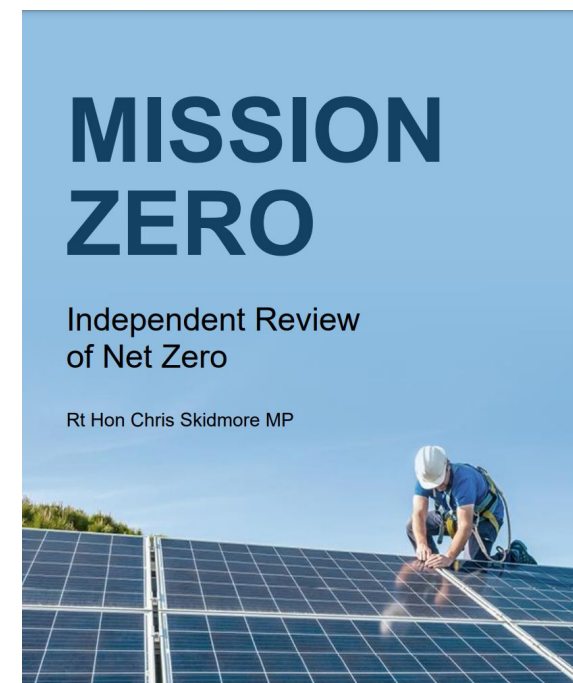
National picture...

Net Zero Review: “Turbocharge community energy”

Powering Up Britain: “work with local authorities to access national growth funds eg Levelling Up Fund [capital, up to £4.8 billion until 2024-25] and Shared Prosperity Fund [revenue and capital, £2.6bn to 2025]”.

Mutually beneficial LA/CE collaboration on:

- Delivery
- Engagement
- Mobilising investment
- Maximising use of assets
- Convening/connecting/synergies



Potential partnership activities

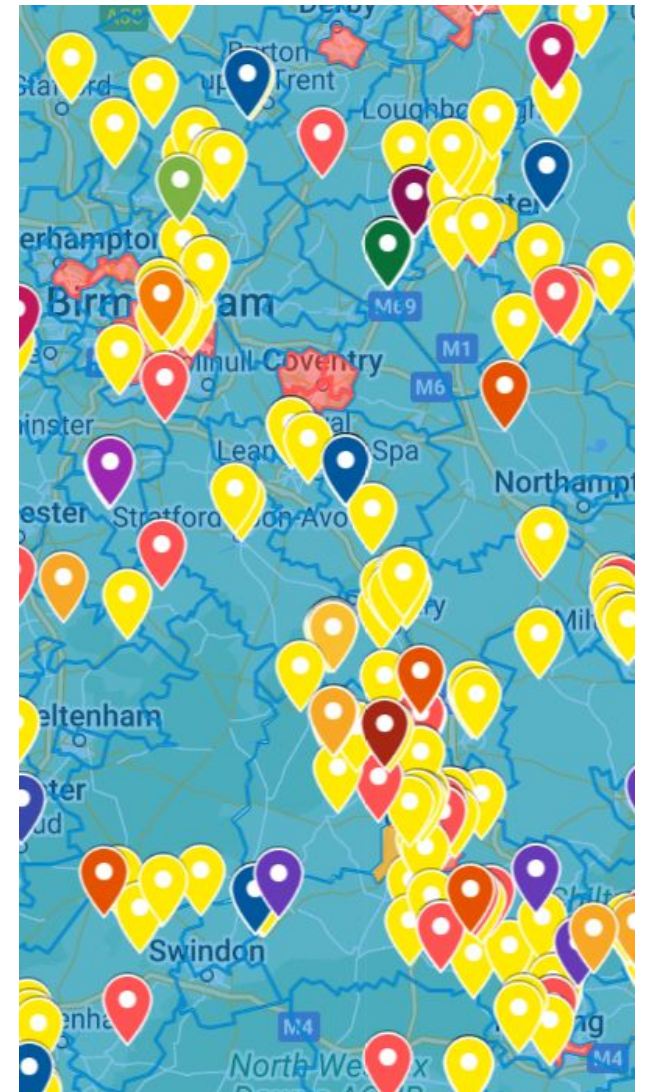
Regeneration consortium bids, commissioned work, innovation funding,

- » Delivery of renewable energy on council assets, schools, health/community centres, housing..
 - » Energy efficiency, fuel poverty advice, retrofit, Home Upgrade Grants, etc.
 - » Climate Emergency Planning, change advocacy, community outreach.
 - » Education, skills training, capacity building.
 - » EV charging, car clubs,
 - » Heat retrofit
 - » Local Area Energy Planning
- and innovative combinations of the above.



How to collaborate

- » Find your local organisation. See bit.ly/CEE-MemberMap and bit.ly/CEE-National-Map
- » Start a conversation about collaboration and support.
- » Look at our Funding Database via bit.ly/CEE-Funding
- » If there are no or too few CE orgs in your area engage with the Pathways project (more later) or look at the Plymouth Energy Communities model.
- » Consider joining CEE:
bit.ly/JoinCEEMembership



Collaborate with your local community energy organisation!



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Other Efficiency / Retrofit / Heat Funding						
Fund	Open / Closed / Upcoming	Organisation Eligible	Level of Restriction (Low, Medium, High)	Relevant dates	More info and Links	Relevant Dates
BEIS funding competition for 'Demonstrator' projects in Energy Advice.	Open. Deadline 21 April 2023	All orgs including small ones.	Low		See CEE v short briefing with link to applications via the regional Net Zero Hubs. The government said, "With respect to the organisation you mention replicating an advice model in a different area - a condition of our funding is that the projects need to be offering something new, rather than replicating an existing offer in the market. However, there is a plausible argument that if the advice offer doesn't currently exist in the area in question, then even if it is "replicating" an existing model it would indeed be offering something new. So I think that	
The Energy Affordability Fund	Open Deadline = 27th March 2023	Open to all organisation types, but activities must take place within the National Grid network area. Check if thats your area. Must be currently delivering energy advice and outreach activities (or have done in the recent past).	Medium		Helps fund costs of innovative affordable warmth initiatives run by energy advice providers and community organisations in National Grid (formally WPD) network area. Provision of 1:1 Energy advice and support to: increase resilience of vulnerable households to severe winter weather and power cuts, enable customers to take up and benefit from low carbon technologies in the smart energy transition. Identification of new PSR registrants and support to those already registered; Targeting services in areas of higher deprivation, at greater risk and not connected to the gas network; Targeting of services to support households that have difficulty accessing support (for example due to digital exclusion, rural isolation, or language barriers); Working with healthcare providers, other support organisations and community partners, to raise awareness of the links between cold, damp homes and poor	Deadline = 27th March 2023 Must be free to attend a n Projects to start 1 May 2023
Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund	Open / Closed / Upcoming	Funding channelled via Social Housing Providers and Local Authorities	Medium - necessitates cooperation with funded providers			
Sustainable Warmth Grants	Open	Local Authorities (with CE partnerships)	Medium		Sustainable Warmth is a competition being launched to bring together two fuel poverty schemes (LAD III and HUGS III). Local Authorities already secured grants. May be some options for CE partnerships in blended funding (e.g. scheme is not for homeowners who pay, and LA's can't procure	







































