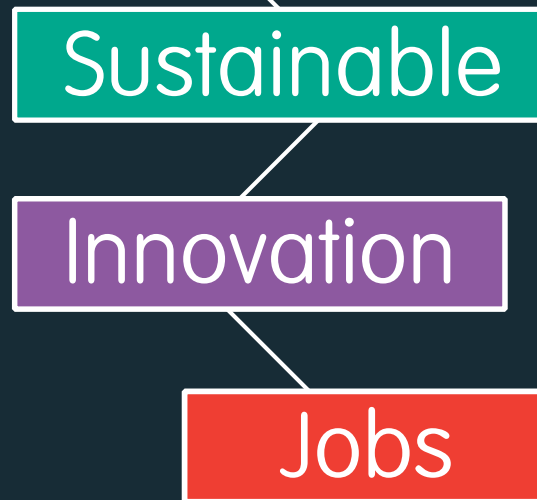


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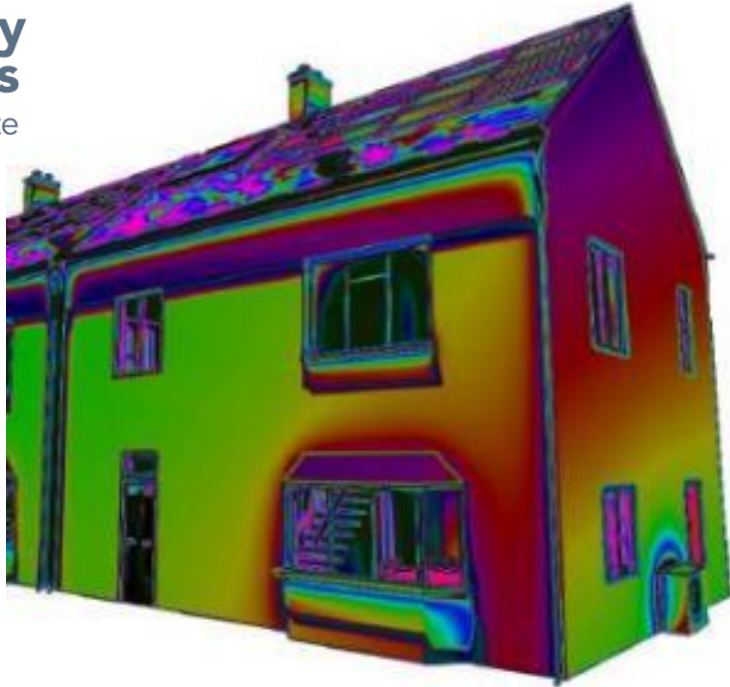
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# ETI's Smart Systems and Heat Programme

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“Creating future-proof and economic local heating solutions for the UK”

- Connecting together – the understanding of consumer needs and behaviour with the development and integration of technologies and new business models into...
- Delivering enhanced knowledge amongst industry and public sector
- Resulting in industry and investor confidence to implement from 2020 which enables a UK heat transition

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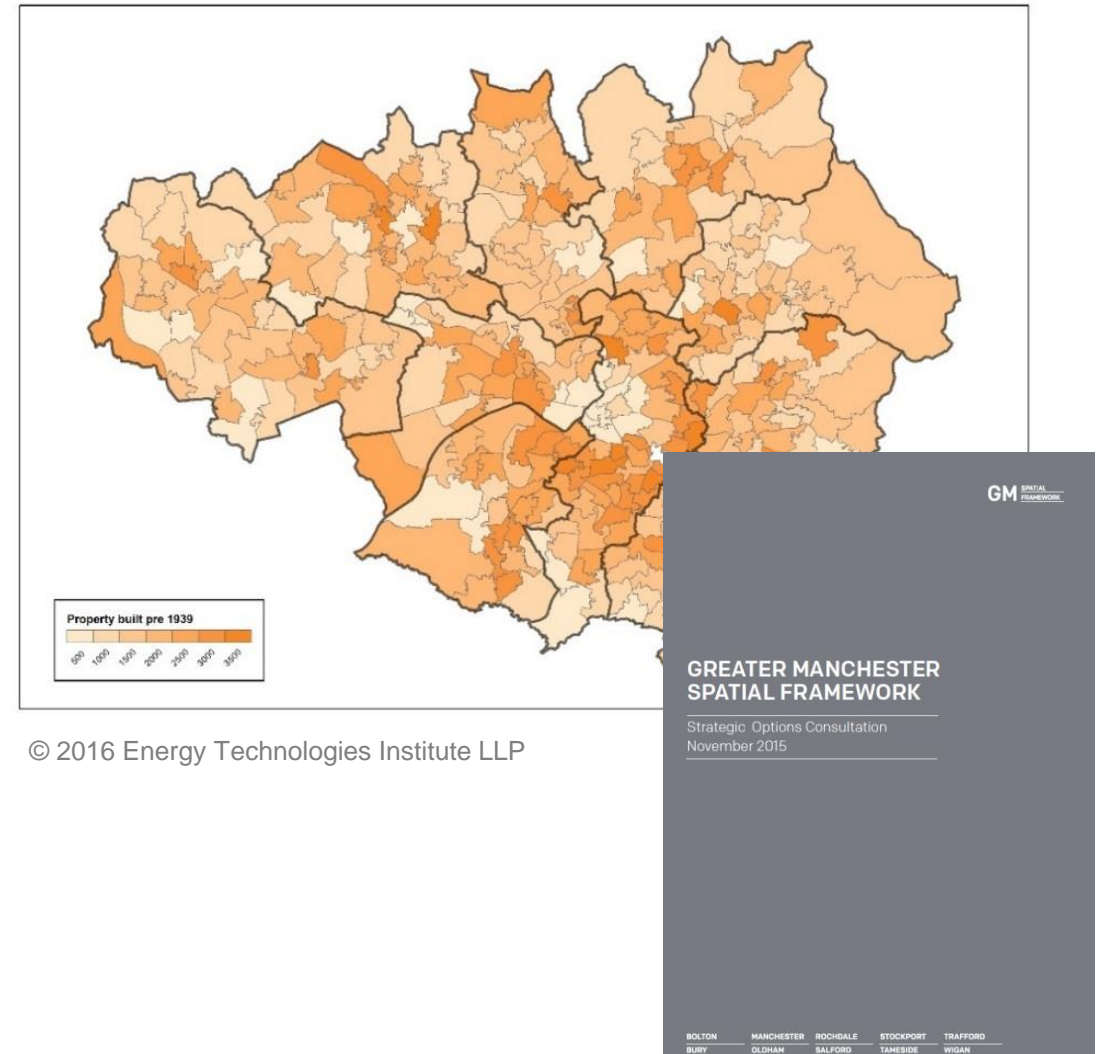
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# Challenge of a energy planning for GM

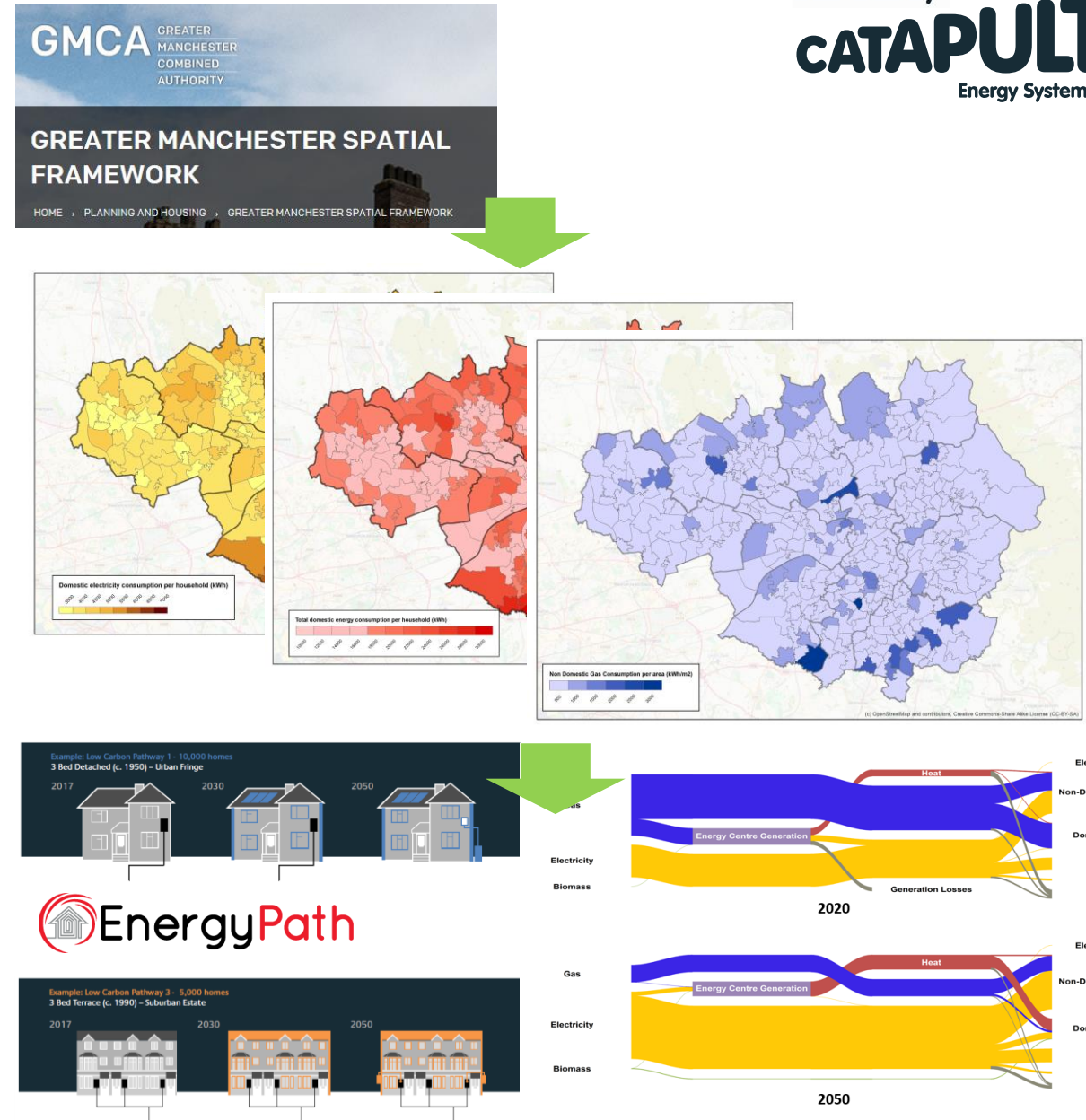
- Large area covering over 1m homes
- Large and complex electricity network
- Emerging GM spatial planning framework
- Energy planning key to achieving ambition
- Evidence needed to establish policy direction
- Evidence to select a local area for a detailed study as part of SSH programme



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# Catapult and GM approach

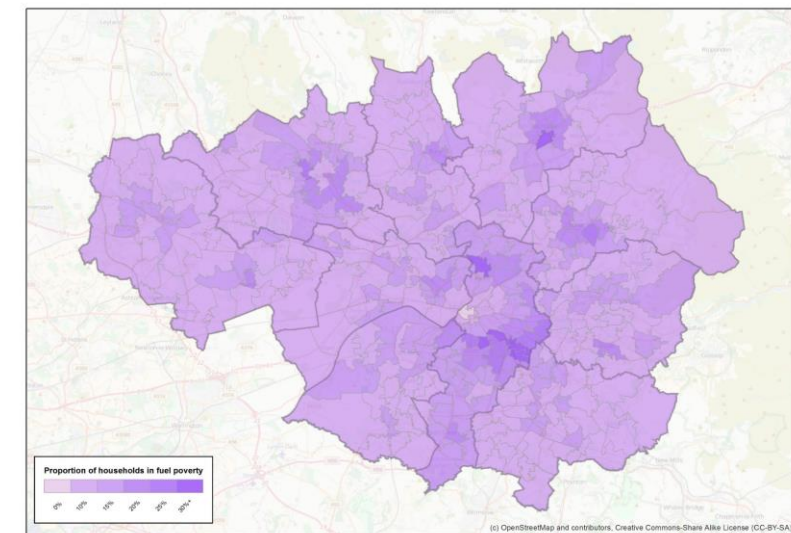
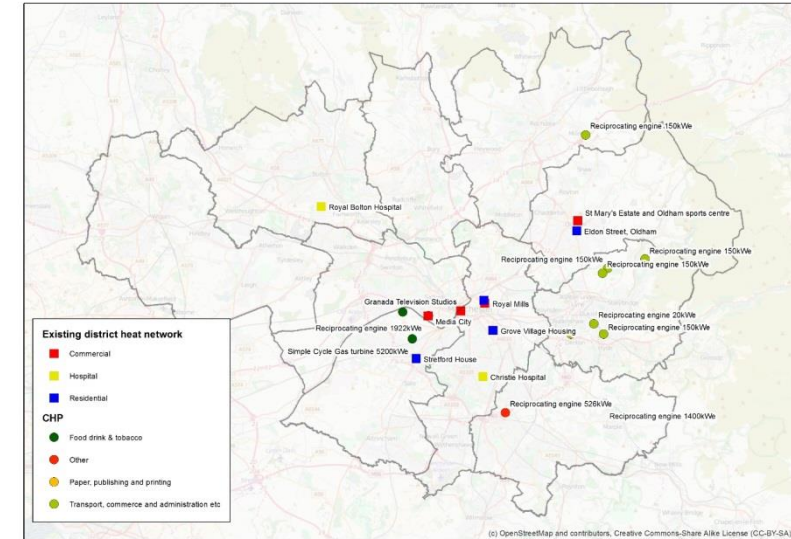
- Collaborative approach
  - Consolidate data and evidence for GM
  - Hook into emerging GM spatial planning framework
  - Inform selection of a detailed study area
  - Aligned with SSH Programme objectives
- 2no distinct stages of work:
- High level study and data gathering
- Detailed study for single authority using EnergyPath Networks





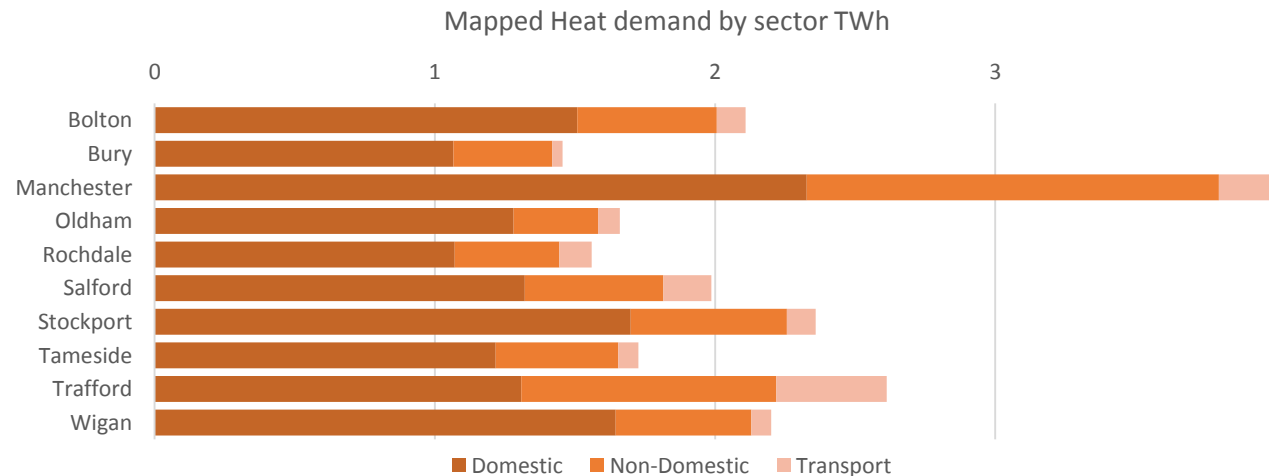
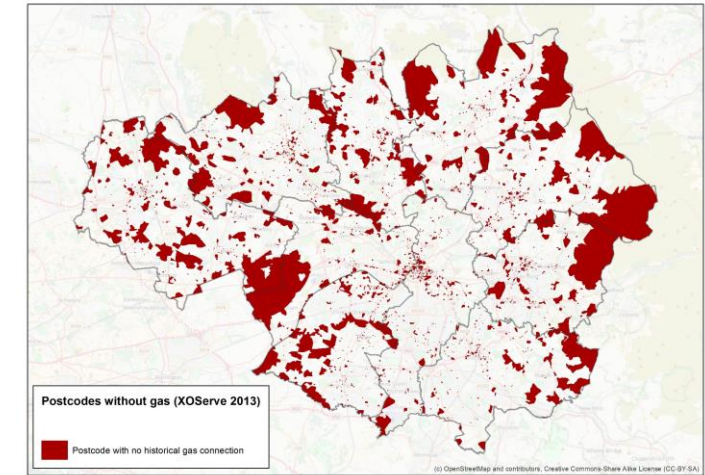
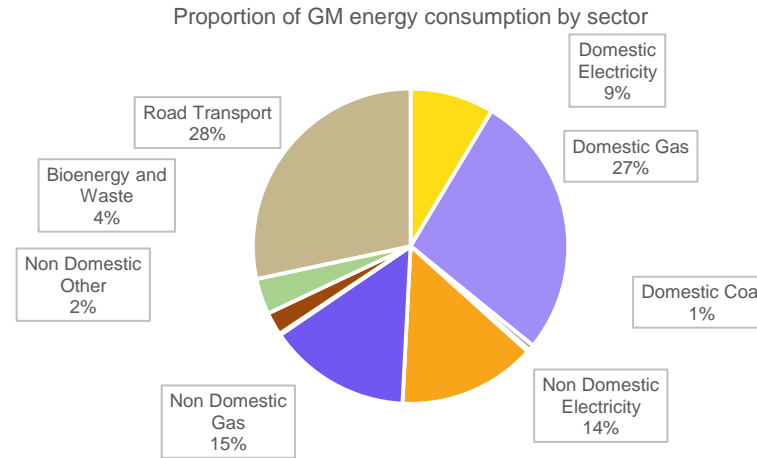
# Study Scope and Outputs

- **Scope**
  - Consolidate and analyse data and studies
  - Assess existing and future energy demand
  - Assess technical potential for low carbon tech
  - Spatial mapping of data – evidence for GM policy
  - Assess potential future energy scenarios
- **Limitations - High level study only**
  - No dynamic multi-vector modelling
  - No cost optimisation.
  - Technical potential doesn't mean desirable or cost effective
- **Outputs**
  - Single study and GIS data set for GMCA
  - Policy evidence for GM Spatial Framework
  - Analysis to inform selection of more detailed study area
- **Outcome**
  - Hook into GMSF – consolidated and additional evidence
  - Foundation for future energy planning in GM
  - Select local authority for detailed study



# Key findings – current energy system and future demand

- **Wide variation** in energy use across GM districts
- **Homes** in GM account for **37%** of total energy demand
- **77%** of domestic demand is **heating and hot water**
- **5%** of postcodes in GM ‘off-gas’
- Significant reliance on coal and oil in some areas such as Wigan.
- **GM growth** could increase energy and CO<sub>2</sub> by **3%** under business-as-usual
- Some districts such as Trafford, Stockport and Tameside have proportionally higher levels of inefficient housing



# Key findings – Networks

## Electricity

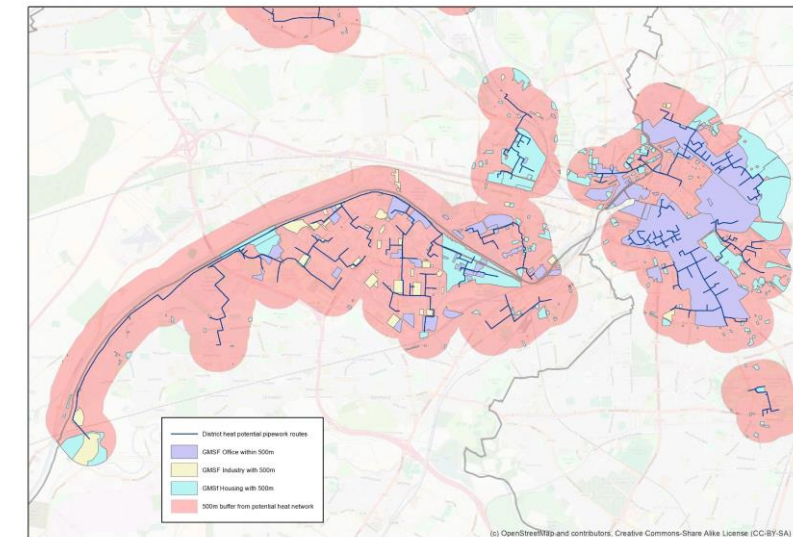
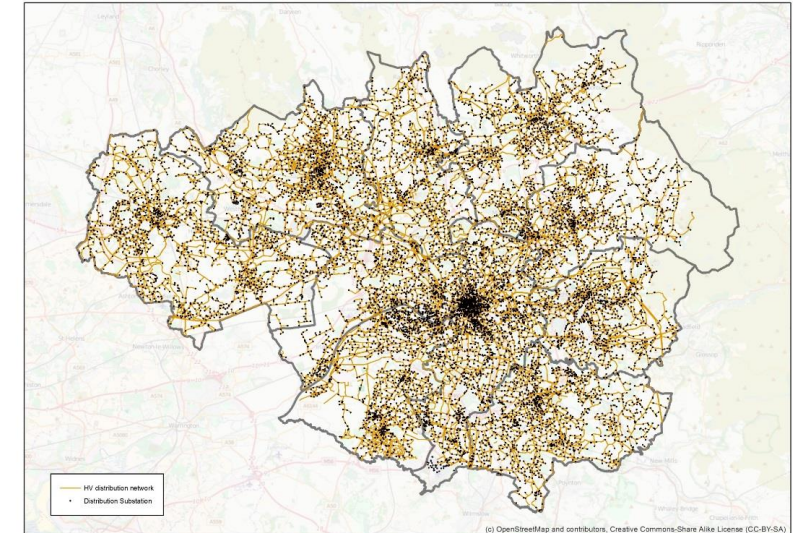
- GM electricity network generally robust.
- Number of areas with limited capacity to accommodate new demand
- Increasing renewable generation, electrification of heat/transport create significant challenges.
- Smart systems and storage provide opportunity but credible view of heat electrification needed

## Gas

- Principal fuel for heating and hot water in GM - Some areas less extensive than others
- Need to move homes off gas OR decarbonise gas network
- Repurposing for hydrogen or biofuels could be a game changer but significant uncertainty

## District Heating

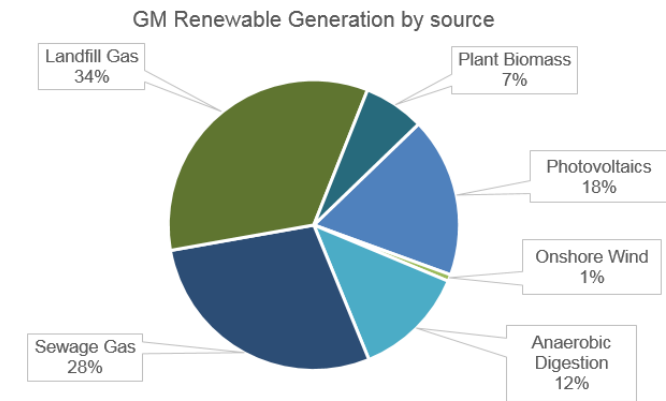
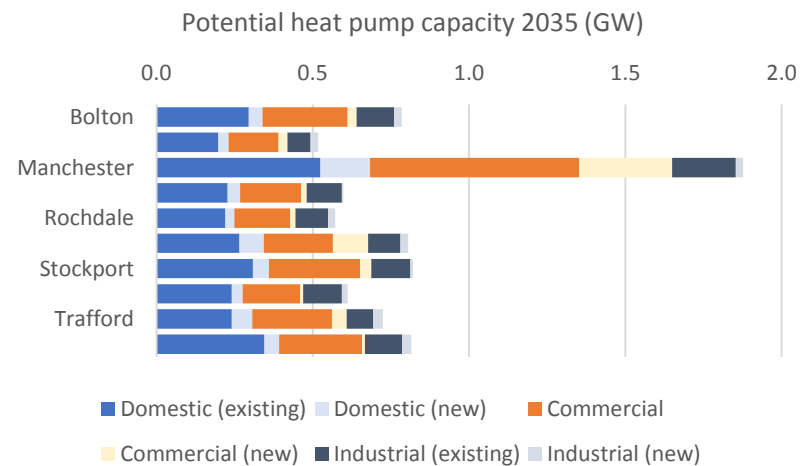
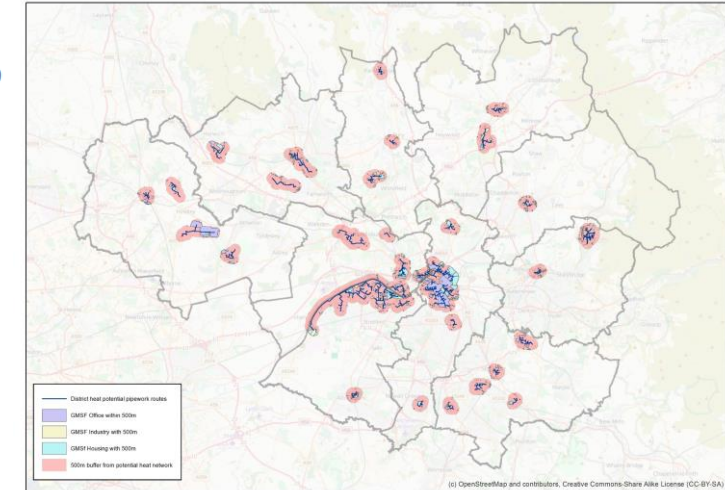
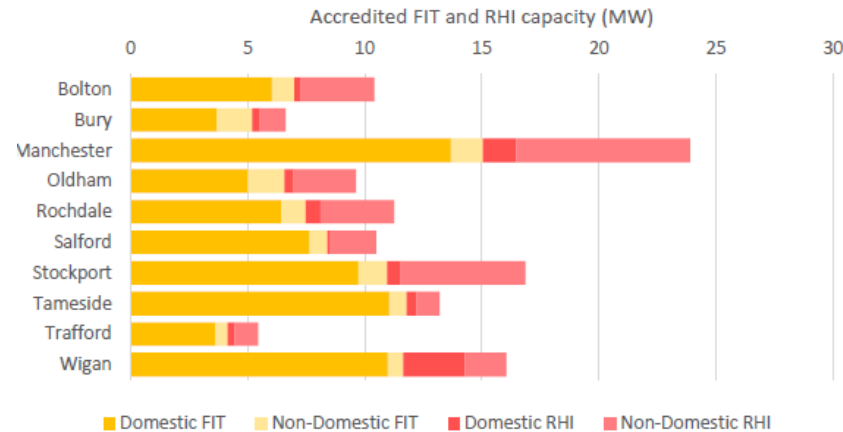
- District Heating currently supplies around 2,000 homes in GM
- 2 main sites at Mediacity and St Mary's Oldham
- 182,000 homes in the UK currently connected to District Heating.
- Networks identified in GM urban areas that could connect 6,000 homes >160,000 homes within 500m of potential heat network. HNDU funding supporting feasibility





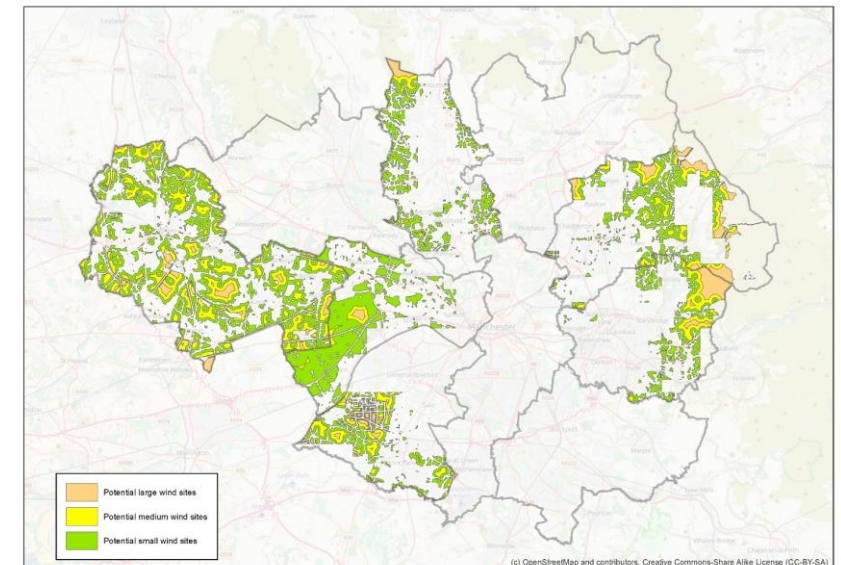
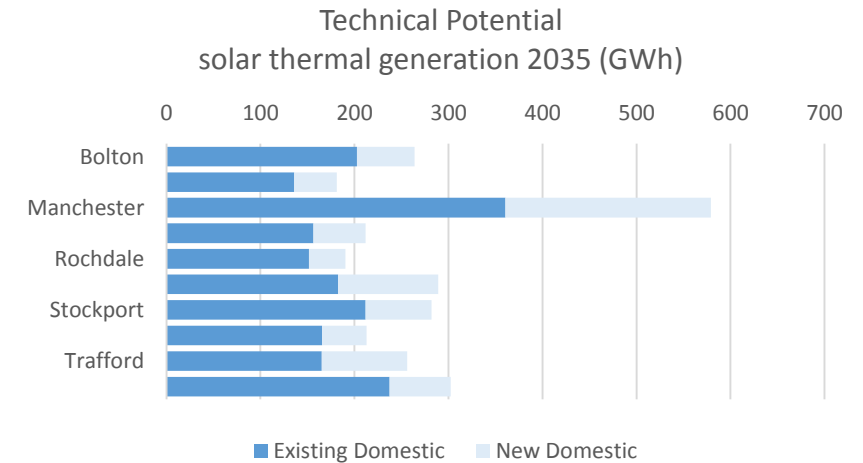
# Key findings – GM low carbon potential

- The majority of regional renewable generation is from Landfill, sewage and AD gas (74%).
- Wide variation in installed small scale renewables (<5MW) across districts
- **140MW** of installed renewable electricity capacity.
- **29MW** of installed renewable heat capacity
- Technical potential for c9% of elec demand from renewable energy
- Technical potential for c68% of heat demand from renewable energy



# Key findings – GM low carbon potential

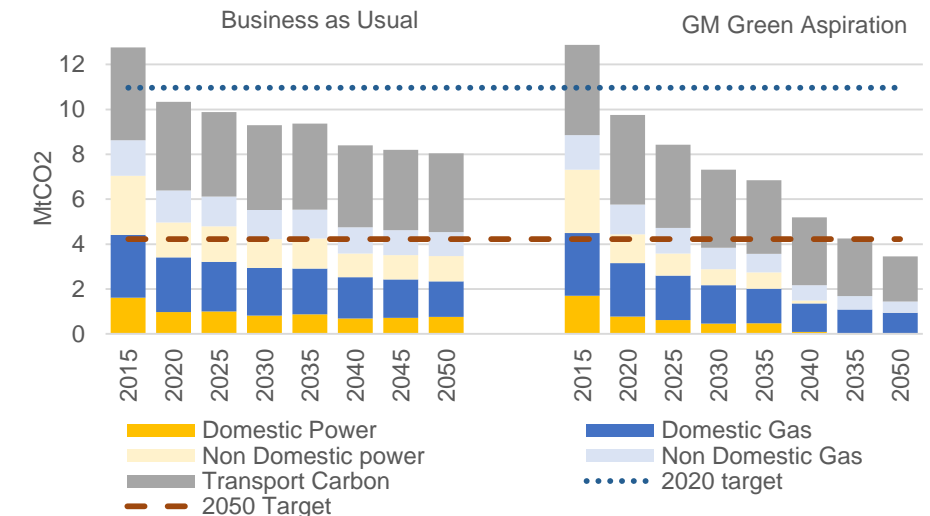
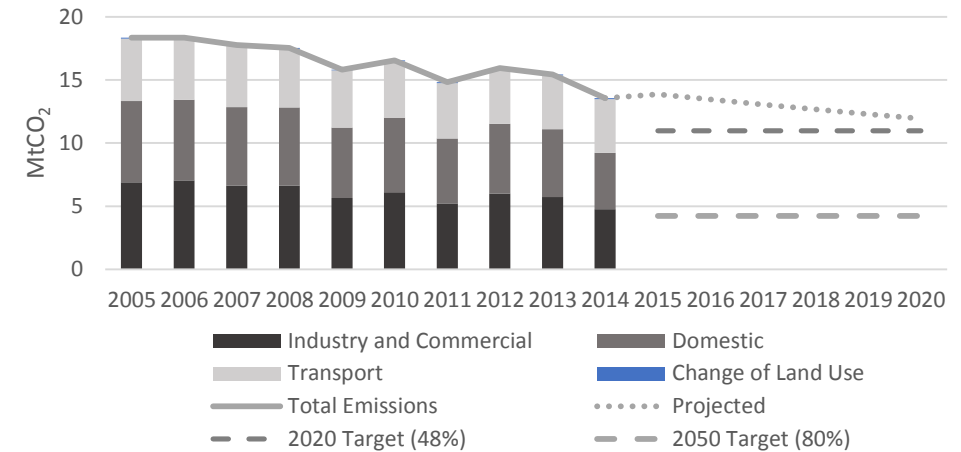
- Significant technical potential in GM for future energy demand met by:
  - **Heat networks**
  - **Solar technologies (heat and power)**
  - **Heat pumps**
  - **Biofuel**
- Other technologies (**wind, hydro, geothermal**) could have role but lesser technical potential in GM.
- Limitations to role of renewable electricity in decarbonisation within GM particularly onshore wind in current policy environment
- Important to recognise **economic barriers** to realising technical potential
- Implementation also affected by **political** and **societal** decisions
- Renewable energy is no silver bullet
- Increasing decentralised generation will create **challenges for networks**
- Number of **potential game changers** including **hydrogen** and **storage** but significant uncertainty



# Key findings – GM future energy scenarios

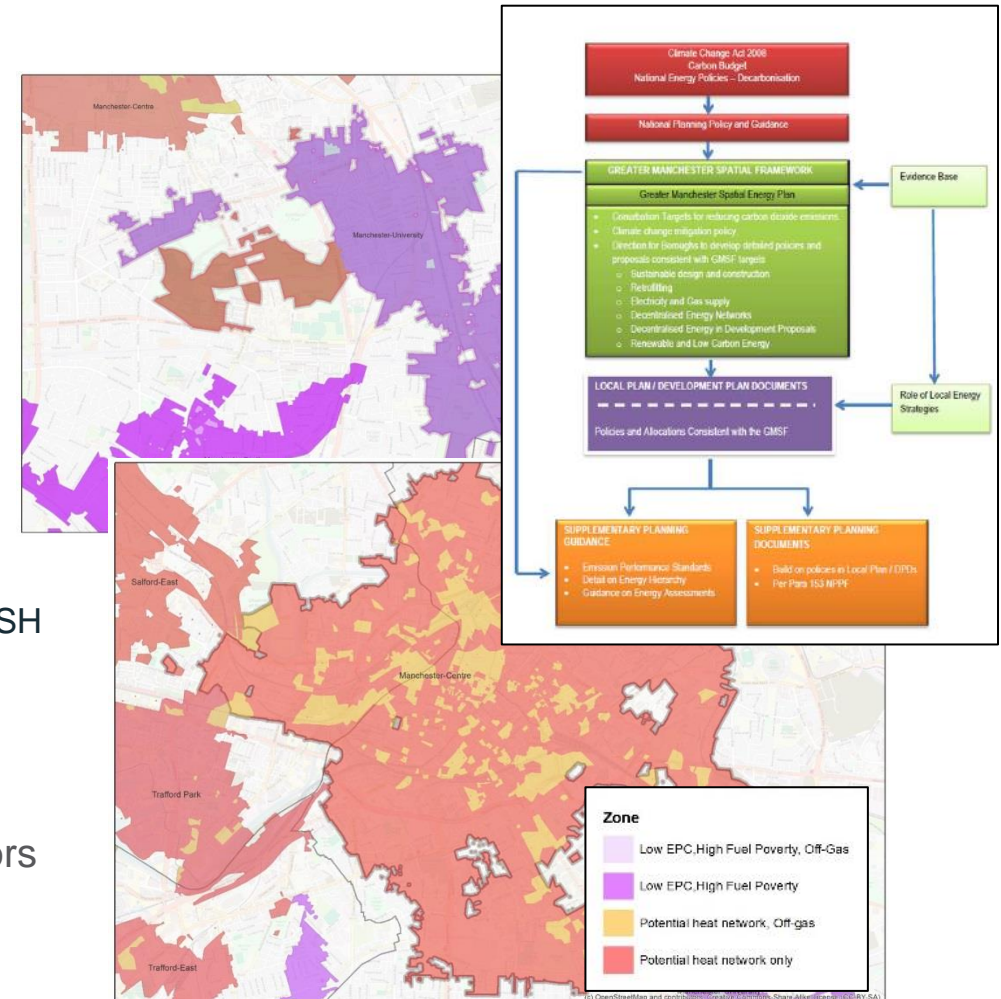
- **Business-as-usual not enough** to hit 2050 80% CO<sub>2</sub> target
- Low carbon future is **achievable** with known technologies
- **Significant uncertainty** in national policy
- **Decarbonisation of power by 2030** is key
  - Significant reductions achieved in recent years
  - Not enough on its own
- Need to **accelerate decarbonisation of heat**
  - **Existing homes and buildings** in GM account for over **56%** of carbon emission by 2035 under BAU
  - **Significant infrastructure challenges** to electrification of heat and heat network growth – no easy solution
  - Credible plan needed for people, communities and businesses
- **Smart energy revolution**
  - Enabler for **consumer focused** low carbon energy system
- Need local understanding of **what, where and when** and **near term priorities**

GM carbon emissions 2005-2020



# GM future energy planning policy - recommendations

- GM wide **policy framework needed** supporting decarbonisation
  - Must be adaptive to reflect innovation and future 'game changers'
  - Recognise need to tackle energy to existing homes and buildings
- Need for an **ambitious local carbon target** to 2050
  - 80% CO2 from GM buildings not enough
- More **detailed local area energy planning**
  - Reflect local opportunities and constraints
  - Consider all energy vectors – electricity, gas and heat
  - Understand potential transition pathways for existing homes
  - Build consensus and unlock investment into infrastructure
- **Identify contenders and near term action**
  - Low regret projects and interventions within local areas of GM
  - large-scale whole system pilots - Real-world examples of future system (SSH Phase 2)
  - Credible long term pathways and roadmap to 2050
- Policy to support **retrofitting and heat networks**
  - Demand reduction and heating system change
- **Consensus building** with GM, Local Authorities and network operators
- **Plan positively** for low carbon infrastructure as part of growth





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