

Belfast Net Zero Pathfinders Aug 24

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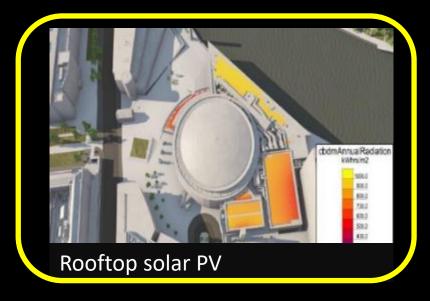




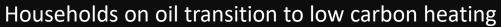




Priority decarbonisation projects









Retrofit Hub

Heat network – Market engagement

Heat mapping, masterplaning and feasibility

UP2030 project

1st June 2024 31st May 2024



Belfast Net Zero Pathfinder de-risking project (solar / heat network)

Form LAEP delivery group and a data Group

Use the LAEP to build a pipeline of net-zero aligned investments

Measure the decarbonisation and social cobenefits



Engage citizens

The Project will de-risk two of the priority projects identified in the city's **Local Area Energy Plan** and the **Decarbonisation Plan for Queens Island** area of Belfast: 1) **heat network**, and 2) **a solar PV project**.

Key outputs

Project assessment – July
Market readiness report - November
Business model analysis - January
Legal / commercial arrangements – May
Opportunities assessment – April
Impact assessment – June
Final report - June

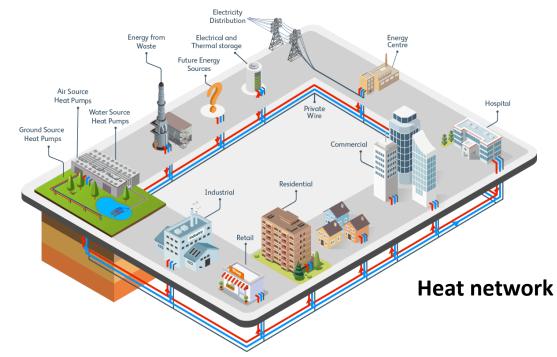




Project components

- **1. Project Assessment** and analysis of non-technical barriers to delivery
- **2. Market analysis** assess the maturity / readiness of market actors (potential off-takers, investors etc) to engage and deliver low-carbon projects
- 3. Develop **capacity** of key stakeholders including Council to take forward LAEP / QIDP outputs
- 4. Commercial viability and routes to finance
 - Business model analysis (value and finance flows)
 - Define optimum legal and commercial arrangements for Belfast City Council (BCC) to catalyse investment
- 5. Identify opportunities for downstream investments to **upskill** and empower excluded groups and communities through consultation and engagement
- 6. Assess **economic**, **environmental** and **social impacts** of the interventions







Project Assessment

Market analysis

Capacity development

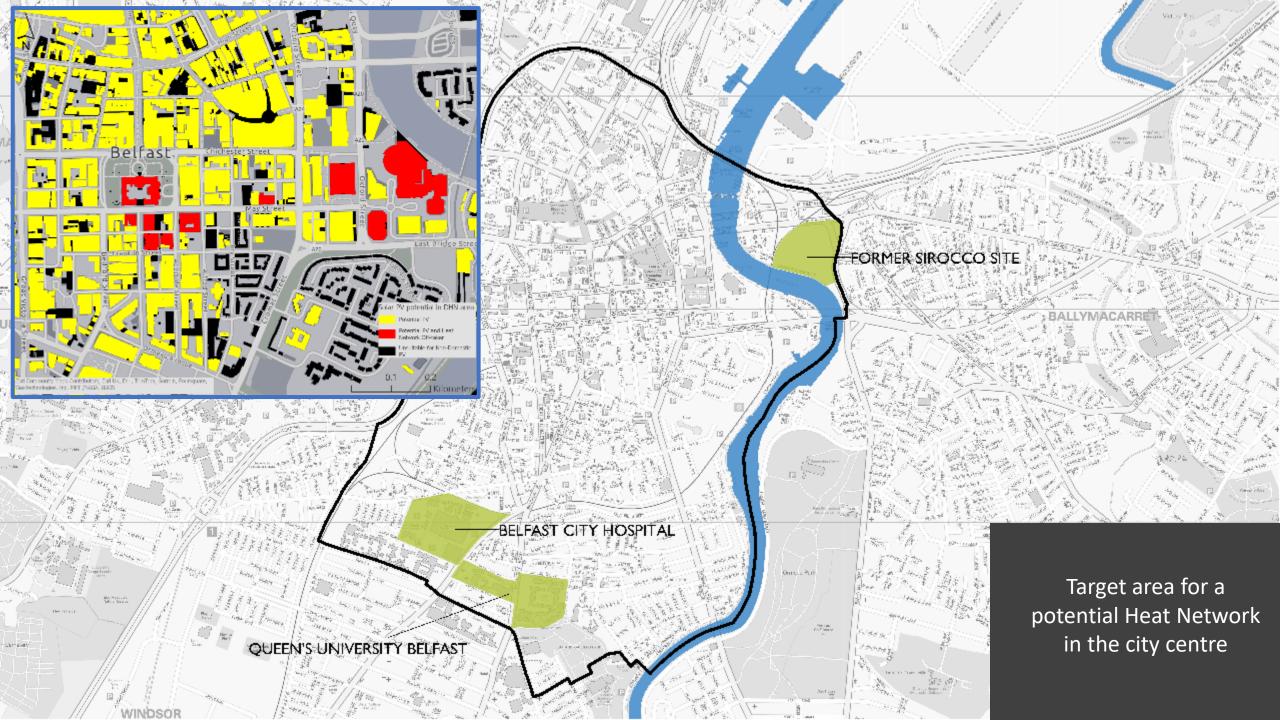
Business model analysis



Optimum legal and commercial arrangements

Upskilling and empowering excluded groups and communities

Assessment of economic, environmental and social impacts











Solar car port Catalyst

Solar car port Odyssey

Heat network

Option to extend network to future potential waste heat source (Global Innovation Institute)

Option to extend/replicate ambient loop for existing Catalyst buildings

Option to supply domestic hot water, heating or cooling to future site developments

Support development of Net Zero Technology Park

Next steps

Inception phase

(Procurement, M&E system, Technical Assistance – Involve / SPACE)

Project Assessment and analysis of non-technical barriers to delivery

Market analysis

Assess the maturity / readiness of market actors (potential off-takers, investors etc) to engage and deliver low-carbon projects

June 24 July 24 Nov 24

Integration with ongoing work on solar, Heat network, UP2030, Retrofit Hub