

Welcome

Today's Agenda
4th November 2025

Nottingham Green
Partnership

Item	Time
<i>Room opens for networking and arrivals</i>	09:30 – 10:00
1 Welcome, Introductions and Housekeeping Richard Barlow, NGP Chair	10:00 – 10:10
2 EMCCA's Transport Strategy Clare Maltby, East Midlands Combined County Authority	10:10 – 10:25
3 Review Notes from Last Meeting Richard Barlow, NGP Chair	10:25 – 10:45
4 Hope & Optimism Roger Whittle, Jigsaw 24	10:45 – 11:00
5 Waterside Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge Keith Morgan, Nottingham City Council	11:00 – 11:15
6 Local Area Energy Plan Update Mike Lyon, Nottingham City Council	11:15 – 11:30
7 Nottingham Mini Climate Assembly Analysis Jacqueline Kirk, Nottingham Business School	11:30 – 11:45
8 AOB Richard Barlow, NGP Chair	11:45 – 11:55
<i>Close</i>	11:55 – 12:00

Welcome, Introductions and Housekeeping

Richard Barlow, NGP Chair

Welcome to our new members

- Alice Colyer, Marketing Nottingham & Nottinghamshire
- Chris Carter, Nottingham City Council
- Fred Paterson, Accelerate the Shift
- Jacob Vivian, East Midlands Combined County Authority (apologies)
- Josh McCluskey, Nottingham City Council
- Kate Ling, Nottingham Trent University
- Kate Perrey, Nottingham City Council
- Roland Boyer Blanchard, Jigsaw 24
- Sara Davies, Active Partners Trust

90 active
members

37
organisations

EMCCA's Transport Strategy

Clare Maltby, East Midlands Combined County Authority

The Mayor's Transport Plan

4 November 2025

Introducing the East Midlands Combined County Authority



- We are a locally led, democratically accountable body bringing together leaders from across Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and their cities, under the leadership of the region's first directly elected **Mayor, Claire Ward**.
- We are diverse - from our cities to our Peaks
- We represent over two million people, a £60 billion economy and 80,000 businesses.
- Our purpose is to act as a single strategic voice for the East Midlands nationally and internationally, while delivering practical change locally.
- Established in May 2024, our governance is grounded in partnership.

EMCCA's Inclusive Growth Framework

One core mission and six supporting Ambitions:

Our core mission is that by 2040...

- Every resident will be proud to call the East Midlands home.
- All young people will have a fair start and a clear path to progress.
- A thriving, green, and inclusive economy will improve health and wellbeing.
- Opportunity will be widened regardless of postcode.
- All residents will be empowered to shape their places and future.



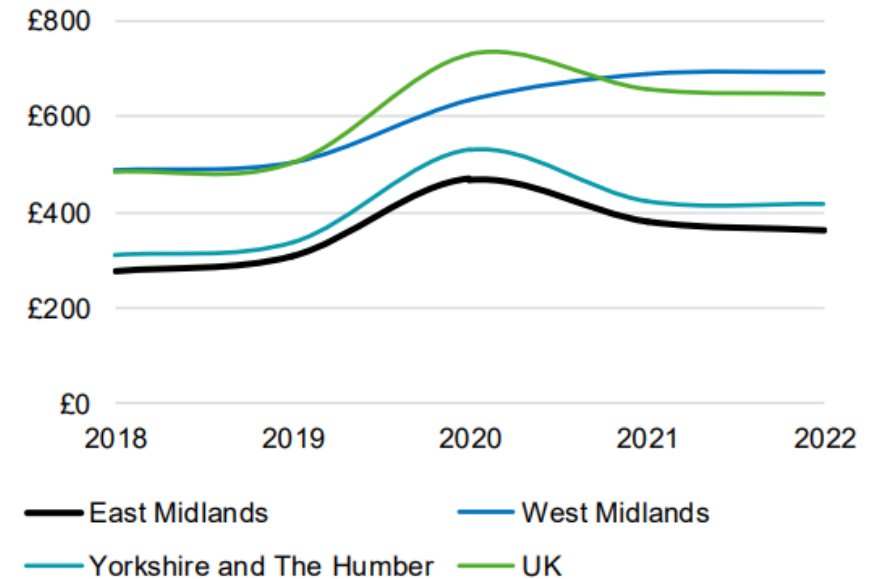
Connected Communities Ambition:

By 2040, communities in the East Midlands will benefit from reliable, inclusive and sustainable connectivity, through integrated transport and high-quality digital infrastructure, broadening access to opportunity and reducing reliance on private cars, while driving investment across the region.

We're bringing a step-change in new investment for transport

- Addressing generations of under-investment in transport in the East Midlands
- In June, Department for Transport awarded us '**Transport for City Regions**' funding: **£2 billion for the period to 2032.**
- Mainly capital funding.
- The 2025-26 transport investment programme is in delivery
- This new funding represents a genuine step-change in levels of capital funding for transport in the region.

Transport investment per head by HM Treasury



The Mayor's Transport Plan – a Local Transport Plan for the region

- We have a brilliant opportunity to advocate with one voice, to improve transport in our region
- EMCCA is now the Transport Authority for the region and will develop a Local Transport Plan
- The Plan will look ahead 15 years to 2040.
- **The Mayor's Transport Plan sets the strategic direction for transport in the region, and sets the framework for investment.**
- Our plan needs to reflect our geography and resonate with our unique places and communities.

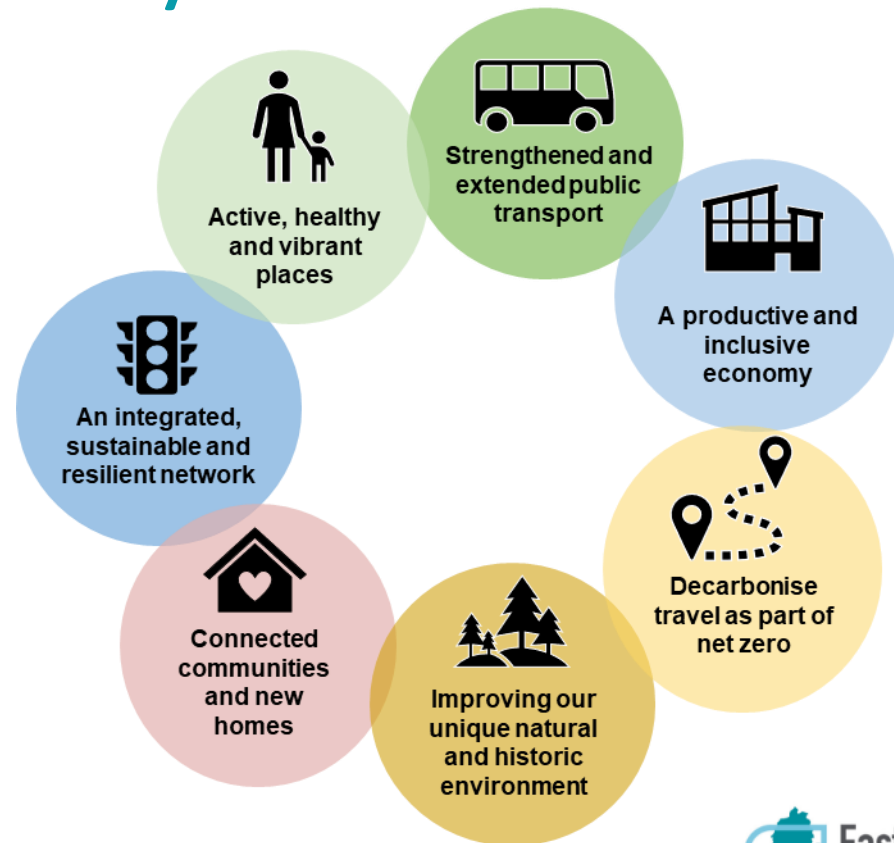


The aim is a transport system that is affordable, easy to use and sustainable, so everyone can access the opportunities and services they need

Seven strategic goals, across four themes:

- Increasing modal choice
- Better connecting communities
- Creating greater economic opportunity
- Protecting our environment

22 Policies that deliver the goals.



The Mayor's top three transport priorities:

- To make travelling by public transport easier and more affordable
- Connecting communities by giving people travel choices that go beyond reliance on the private car
- To bring our highways into a good state of repair, so they can offer reliability despite changing travel demands and a changing climate



What we will be publishing in November:



1. Mayor's Transport Plan Discussion Document
2. Executive Summary and Easy-read accessible format document
3. Evidence Base
4. Consultation questionnaires – for individuals and organisations

We're seeking feedback as we develop the Transport Plan

- We've been analysing the evidence, and understanding opportunities and challenges for transport in our region – for today and into the future.
- The Mayor's Transport Plan will be a comprehensive plan. So, we will have two stages of consultation.
- **Stage 1 consultation launches in November**, with a High-level Discussion Document.
- We will seek your feedback on whether:
 - you recognise the challenges and opportunities outlined, now and for the future
 - you agree we have adopted the right strategic goals for the region
 - the policies presented are the right ones to help us achieve the goals.
- Your contributions will inform development of the Full Transport Plan next year.



Consultation activity

- 12-week consultation beginning late-November
- Online questionnaires to capture responses
- Public exhibitions across the region
- Workshops with partners and stakeholders
- Sessions with existing groups
- Focus Groups to fill gaps

Please participate and push with your networks!

Transport affects all of us in many ways. We want to hear from as many voices as possible, before we do the more detailed development of the full Plan.

➤ **Who can you share it with and encourage to engage?**





Questions and discussion

CLAIRE WARD
MAYOR OF THE
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East Midlands
Combined County
Authority

10:25 – 10:45

Review Notes from Last Meeting, August 2025

Richard Barlow, NGP Chair

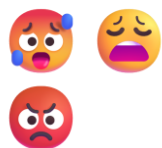
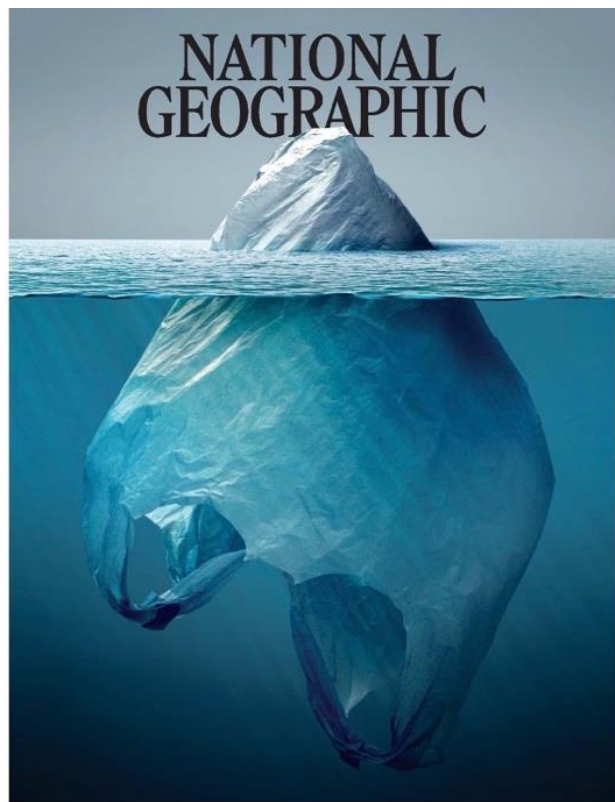
Hope & Optimism

Roger Whittle, Jigsaw 24



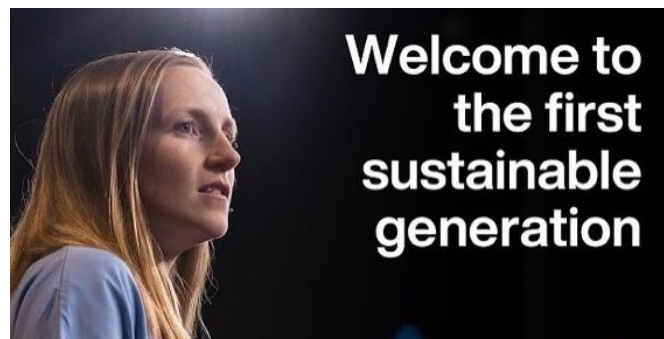
**Hope and
Optimism!**

Two visions!

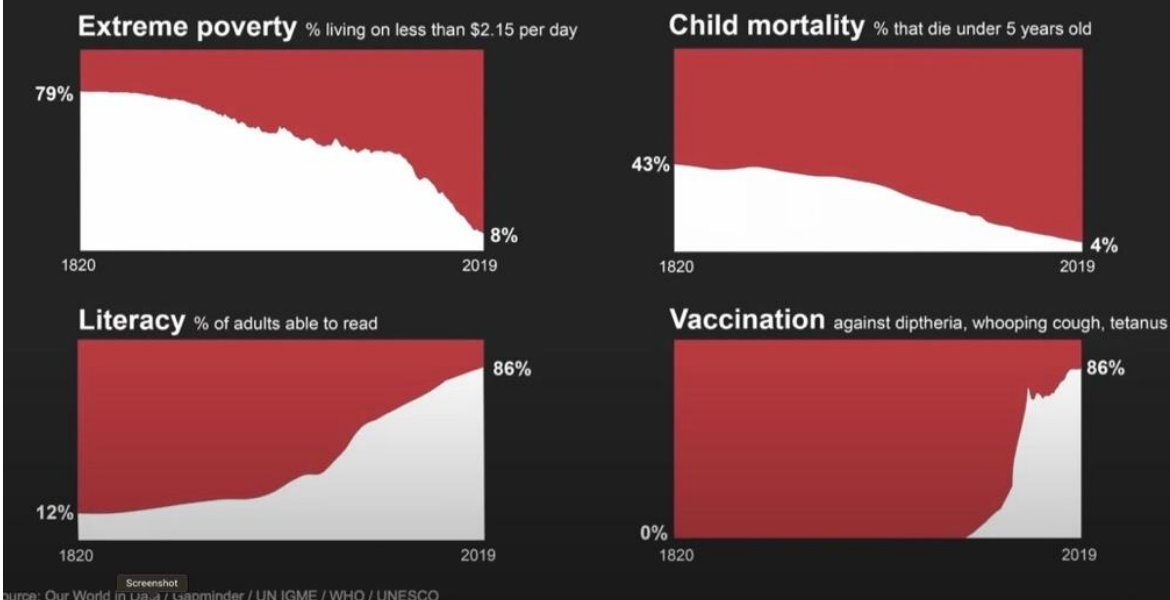


A Positive, Optimistic TED Talk!

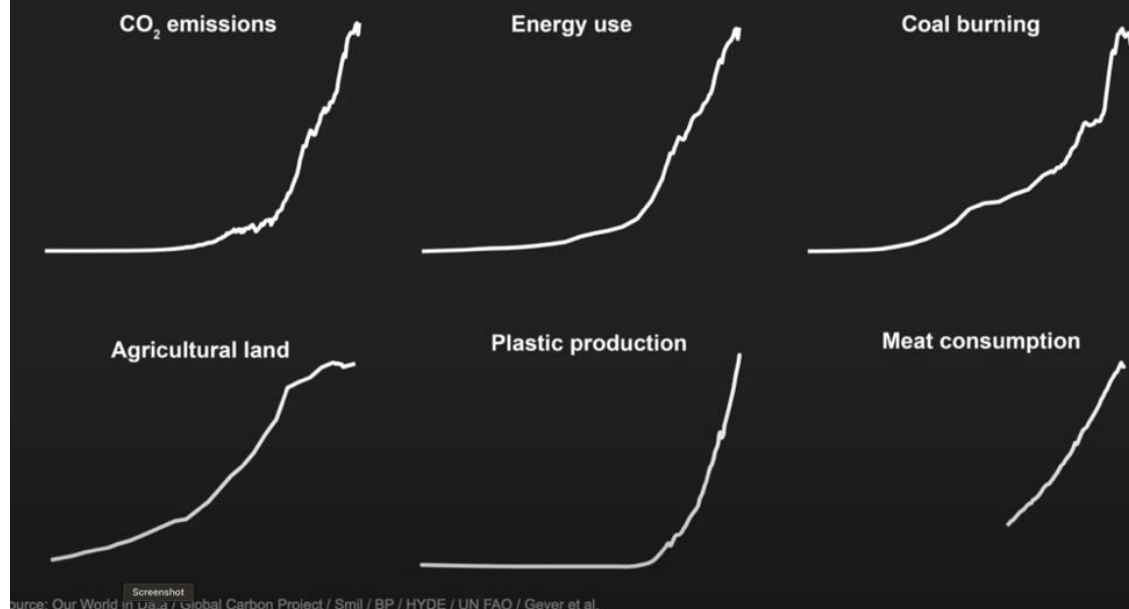
By Hannah Ritchie October 2023



We've made progress on the first half

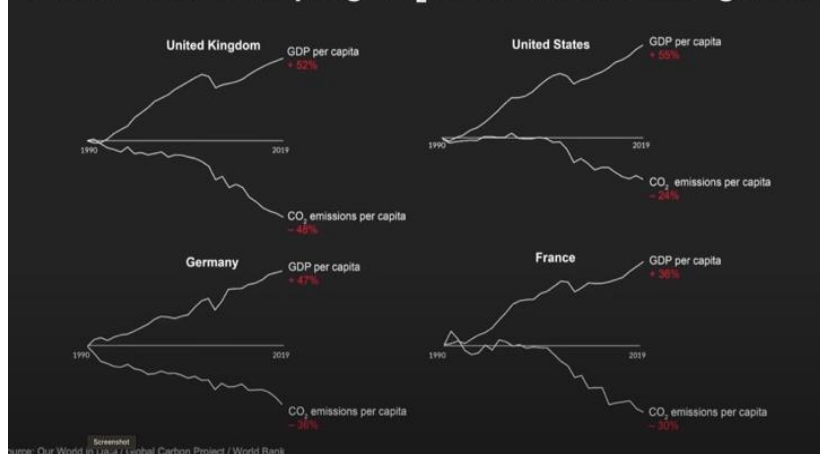


But at a cost to the environment...



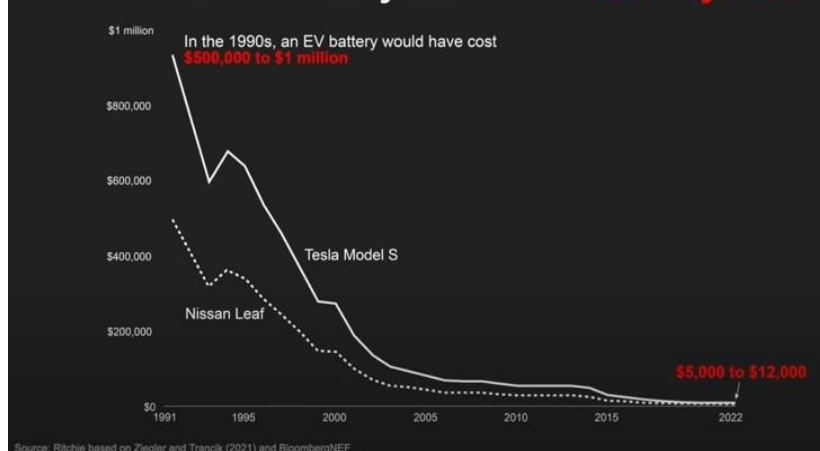
We are now making progress – sustainably!

Countries are decoupling CO₂ emissions from GDP growth

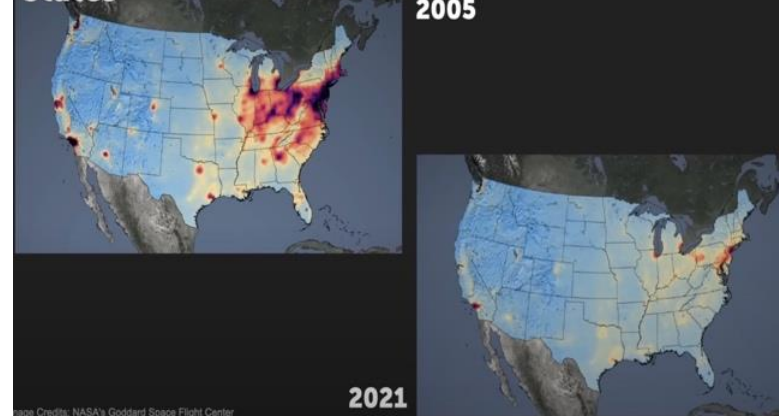


UK emissions are now 54% below 1990 levels, while GDP has grown by 84%

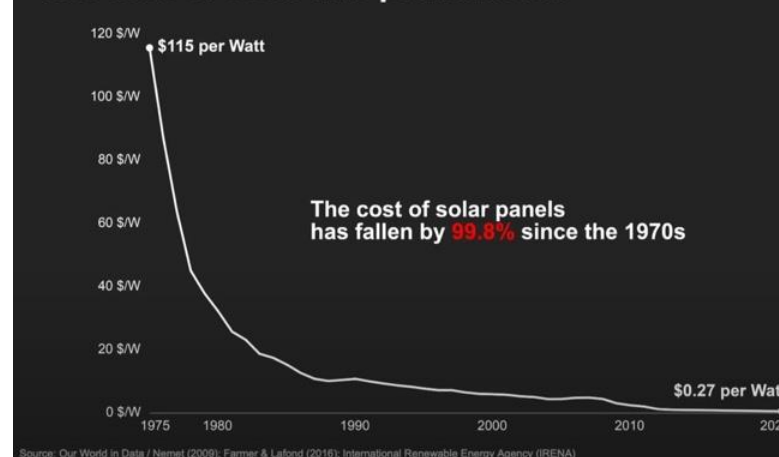
Electric vehicle battery costs have **fallen by 98%**



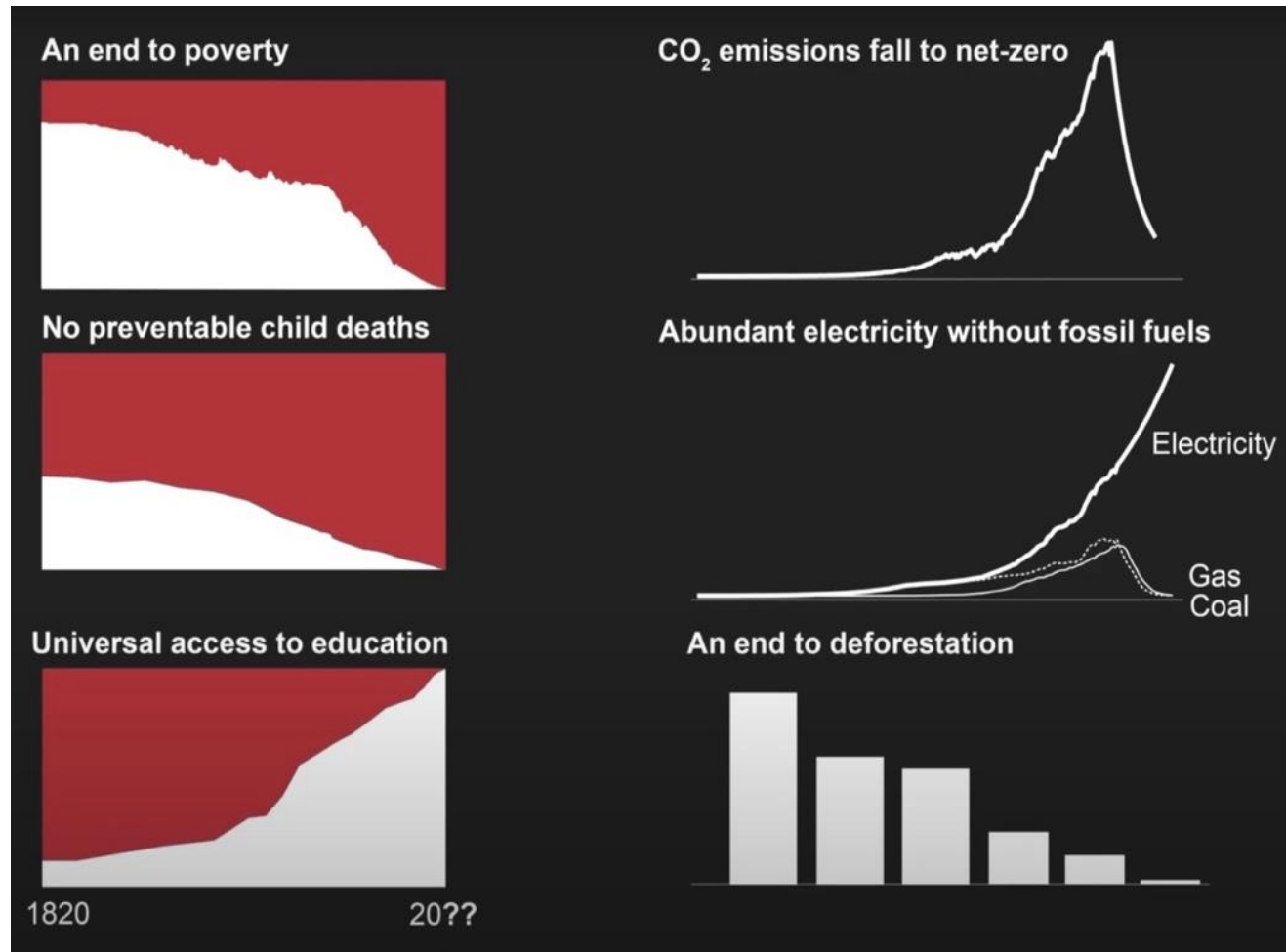
Nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) pollution in the United States



The cost of solar has plummeted



We want to have our cake and eat it! (bobW) – a sustainable generation!



Is the future exciting today in 2025?

- **TRUMP 2.0**
- **Good COPs, bad COPs, COP outs, Big Oil**
- **Political instability**
- **Recession & debt**
- **Society inequality & social media challenges**
- **Transitions are bumpy and expensive**

😊 ... **YES!** **despite** the above!



5 Reasons For Optimism!



**Trump 2.0 – Our
Response**



Tech



China



**FOMO &
Capitalism**



**Unstoppable
Progress**

Did you know electricity can travel 90 million miles - wirelessly? Straight from a thermo nuclear fusion reactor near you...

You have to keep paying to get fossil fuels out of the ground and then you have to transport them and then burn them. Again and again. You can't recycle a litre of petrol or a lump of coal...

Did you know how many moving parts there are in an ICE car? In an EV?... Have a guess!



1. Our Response to Trump 2.0

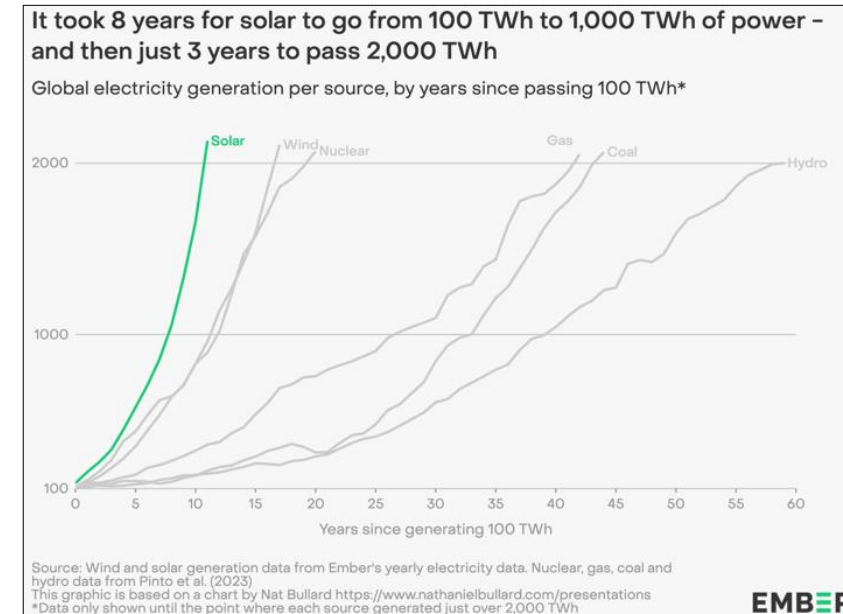
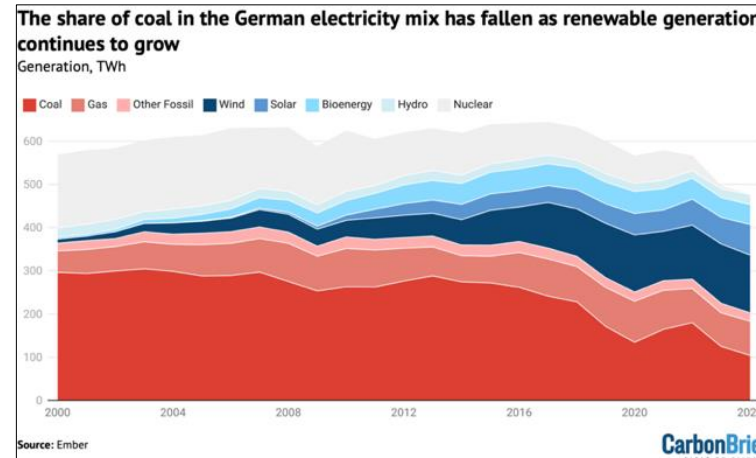
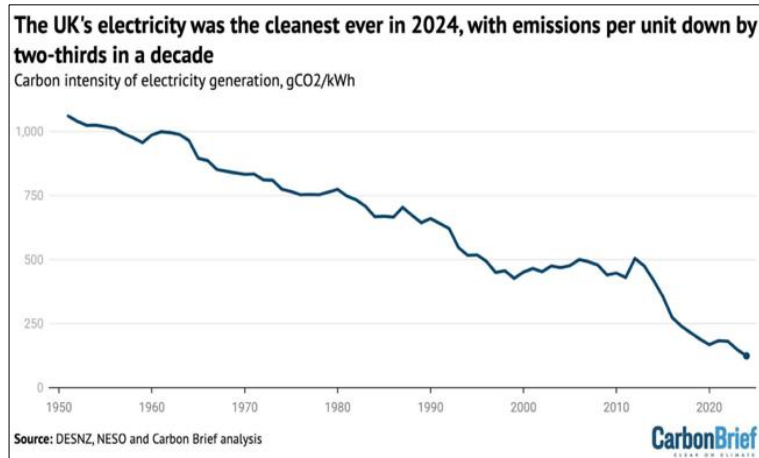
- **Pivot!** Made in USA, US Jobs, **tariffs**, **transactional\$\$\$**, **withdrawal from Paris UN COP**
- **More Power** we don't need 3X more energy; we need 5X more (AI/crypto)
- **Closer ties between climate action committed** liberal democracies (Europe, Australia, Canada), emerging economies (Indonesia), mega-cities (London, Barcelona), US States (California) & companies (Apple)
- **Over 145 countries** covering 90% of global emissions have a net zero target; Only the US, Iran, Libya, & Yemen are outside the Paris UN COP
- **Multilateral organisations** – UN & EU to name the two largest
- **Limitations** Trump is not world President. Witness UK, Germany, France, Poland, Canada
- **Good COPs** 2025 COP30 in Brazil, 2026 COP31 in Australia
- **Tech** 84% of new electric generating capacity to the US grid in 2024 was solar & storage





2. Tech

- **We have never** seen an energy technology come to market as quickly as solar. Next up: battery storage everywhere
- **Solar** #1 form of energy globally, by 2033 (IEA); rapid growth in South Africa, Kenya, Brazil, Morocco, Mexico, Uruguay, Pakistan
- **Renewables** #1 Over 92% of energy capacity added in 2024 came from renewables
- **North Sea Wind progress** Shallow, lower costs, 24/7, 4 seasons, next gen 22-25MW wind turbines, AI predictions, battery back-up
- **Batteries** Lead Acid->Li-ion, 1m mile warranty, £ down, +energy per £, per kg, reusable!
- **EVs** 25% in the UK, cost parity, £7 to fill (charge) up, cars, scooters, vans, lorries
- **AI & power electronics** **Software** rules the world!



Tech is changing the world! Solar!



Tech is changing the world! Everywhere!

Pakistan is sold on solar. It's not about going green.



📷 | Babar Shah/PPI/Newscom

Solar panels are selling fast in Lahore, Pakistan, as the high cost of electricity encourages residents to find their own solutions.



Renewable energy

Hopes rise for green economy boom at Africa Climate Summit

Renewables are thriving, with Africa breaking solar energy records - but action is needed to plug financing gap

Fiona Harvey Environment editor

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Mon 8 Sep 2025 11.38 BST

The first signs of a takeoff of Africa's green economy are raising hopes that a transformation of the continent's fortunes may be under way, driven by solar power and an increase in low-carbon investment.

China races to build world's largest solar farm to meet emission targets

China has been installing solar panels at a blistering pace, far faster than anywhere else in the world

Ken Moritsugu, Ng Han Guan

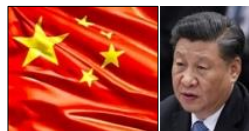
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China has been installing solar panels at a blistering pace, far faster than anywhere else in the world, and the investment is starting to pay off (Associated Press/Ng Han Guan)



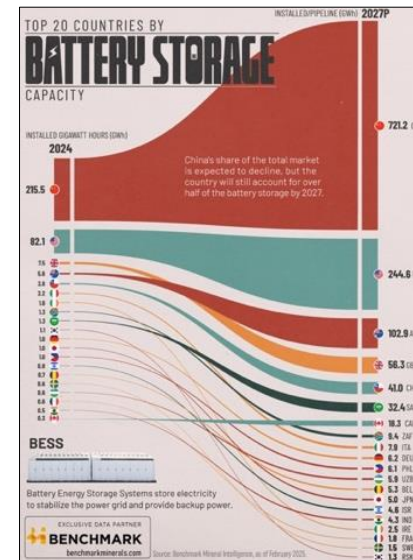
3. China



- **China politics** Xi Jinping's 2025 new year address called on China to *"advance ecology-first, resource-conserving, green, low-carbon development for our goals of peak carbon emissions by 2030* & net zero by 2060"* **achieved in early 2025*
- **Strategic investment for tomorrow** Finance & investment for long-term advantage: shipping, steel, Solar, EVs, batteries, wind turbines, robots
- **China rules** manufacturing, supply chain, expertise, patents, population
- **Two China records in 2024:** installed solar & wind power capacity up by 45% & 18% to 887 GW & 520 GW
- **Leader** 64% of new global renewable energy capacity was from China
- **Huge solar boom** driven by Chinese solar panels – Africa, South America
- **Follow my leader** The world will not follow the West. It will follow China
- **CO2e emissions** China peak = world peak.

"80% of solar panels, 65% of wind turbine production and 75% of lithium batteries globally, are made in China"

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China makes landmark pledge to cut its climate emissions



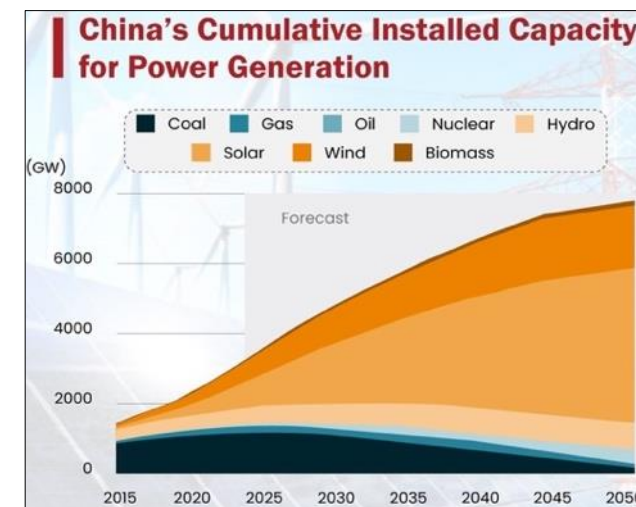
Mark Poynting and Matt McGrath
BBC News Climate and Science

24 September 2025

China, the world's biggest source of planet-warming gases, has for the first time committed to an absolute target to cut its emissions.

In a video statement to the UN in New York, President Xi Jinping said that China would reduce its greenhouse gas emissions across the economy by 7-10% by 2035, while "striving to do better".

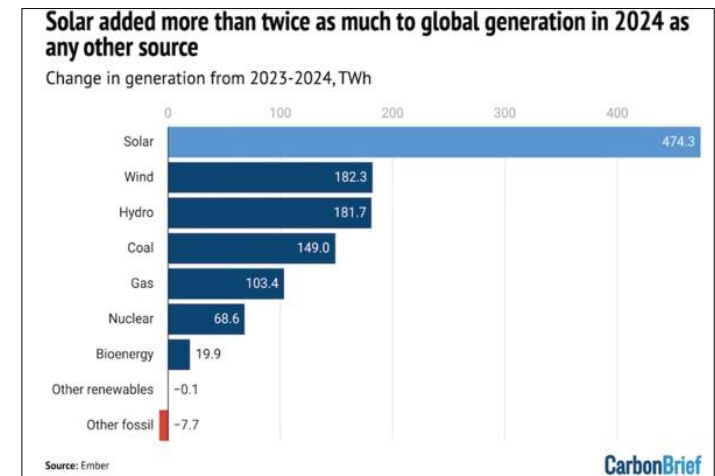
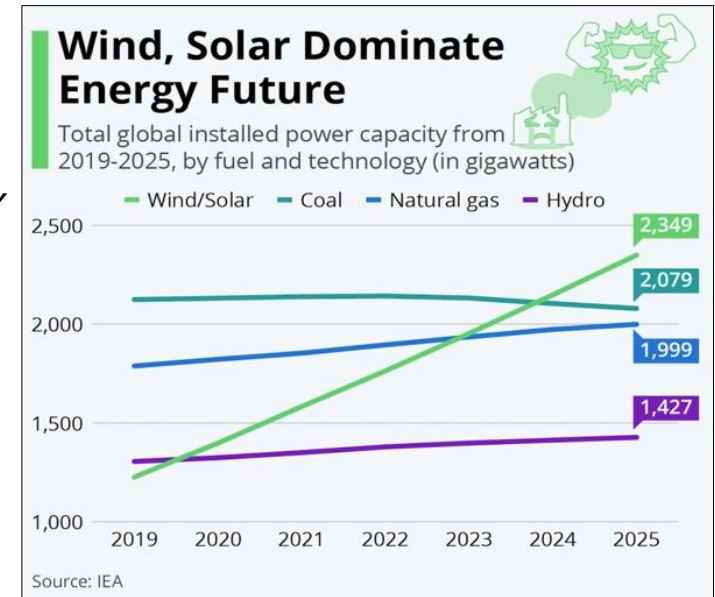
The announcement comes at a time the US is rolling back on its commitments, with President Donald Trump on Tuesday calling climate change a "con job".





4. FOMO & Capitalism

- **Richard Nixon** "if you grab people buy their wallets, their hearts and minds will usually follow"
- **£Cash** Altruism and the eco movement will not solve net zero. Economics will.
- **£ Cost always wins** every Election is decided on the Economy. Not saying "greed is good" but it can be harnessed. FOMO
- **Renewables have a cost advantage now!** In 2025!
- **Follow the money** Investment and cash follow profits. ROI
- **Business Opportunity** This is a mega industrial revolution!
- **Renewables** No emissions. But also: no tankers, no pipelines, no noise, no pollution, no explosions, long life/20+ years, scalable, un-complex (planning), low maintenance, technology keeps improving. **CHEAP!!!**



Climate Ambition = Economic Ambition!



"There is no trade off between economic growth and net zero - quite the opposite. Net zero is the industrial opportunity of the 21st century".

Rachel Reeves, UK Chancellor of the Exchequer

"Reaching net zero emissions represents the greatest commercial opportunity of our time".

Mark Carney, Canada Prime Minister, former BoE Governor

Climate Ambition = Economic Ambition!

THE UK'S NET ZERO ECONOMY | FEBRUARY 2024

Executive summary

Net zero activity forms a key part of the UK economy, creating innovation-led, high-value employment opportunities and attracting foreign direct investment.

The net zero economy spans a number of new and emerging sectors, such as renewables, carbon capture, or green finance, as well as more traditional, established sectors, such as manufacturing.¹ The latest CBI Economics analysis shows that these businesses contributed £74 billion in Gross Value Added (GVA) in 2022-23, which is equivalent to 3.8% of the UK economy – larger than the economy of Wales (£66 billion). They also supported 765,700 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) jobs, equal to nearly 3% of total UK employment.

Their contributions include the value generated by their own activity (£25 billion) and their employees (218,500 jobs) as well as the wider economic contributions they supported through their expenditure with suppliers and the expenditure of their employees on goods and services. In essence, due to these wider spillover benefits, for every £1 million in GVA contributed by net zero businesses, nearly £2 million more was added through these wider economic contributions.



Green economy Britain's net zero economy is booming, CBI says

Green sector growing at triple the rate of the UK economy, providing high-wage jobs and increasing energy security

Damian Carrington *Environment editor*

Mon 24 Feb 2025 06.00 GMT



The net zero sector is growing three times faster than the overall UK economy, analysis has found, providing high-wage jobs across the country while cutting climate-heating emissions and increasing energy security.

The net zero economy grew by 10% in 2024 and generated £83bn in gross value added (GVA), a measure of how much value companies add through the goods and services they produce.

London Stock Exchange puts value of global green economy at \$7.9tr



James Murray

12 May 2025 • 3 min read

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Report confirms global green economy has enjoyed a compound annual growth rate of 15 per cent over the past decade, putting it second only to technology as the world's fastest growing sector

Clean energy contributed 10% to China's GDP in 2024, analysis shows

Study found electric vehicles and batteries added largest amount to country's clean-energy economy

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Customers at Zeekr electric vehicle showroom in Yantai, China. Photograph: Costfoto/NurPhoto/REX/Shutterstock.

Rachel Keenan

00:01 GMT Wednesday, 19 February 2025

Clean energy contributed a record 10% of China's gross domestic product in 2024, an analysis has found.

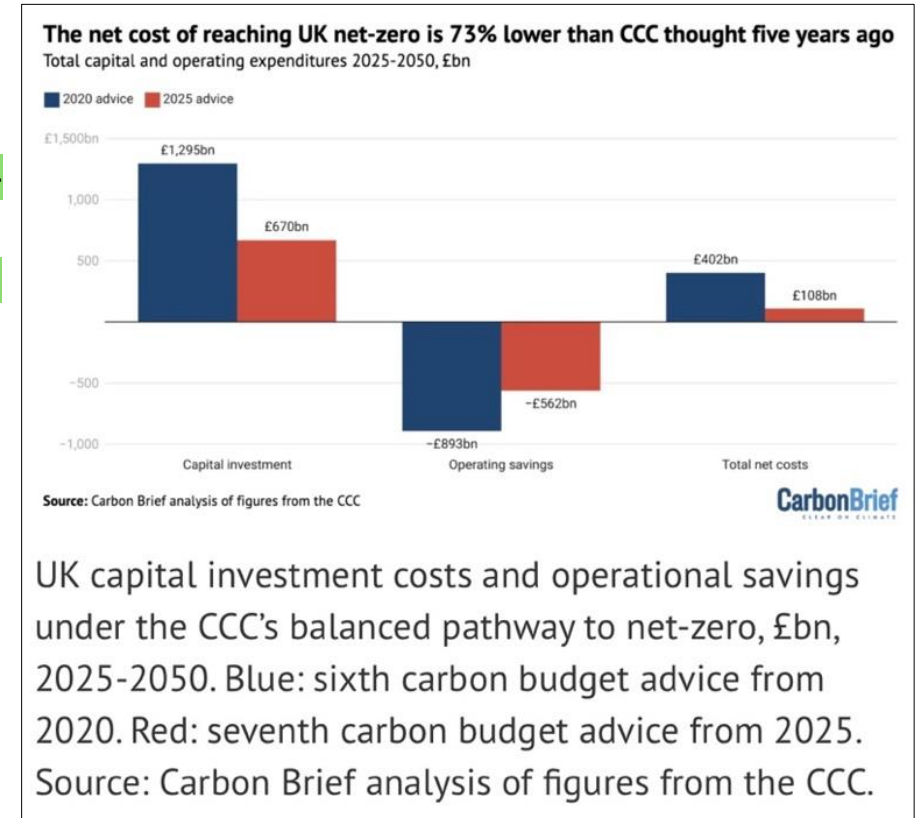
With sales and investments worth 13.6tn yuan (£1.5tn; \$1.9tn), the sector has now overtaken real estate sales in value.

Solar power, electric vehicles (EVs) and batteries have all played a major role in the dramatic growth of Chinese clean technology.

Climate Ambition = Economic Ambition!



- The up-front investment needed to reach net-zero is far less than thought in the CCC 2020 advice, bringing the net cost down to just £108bn over 25 years (0.2% of GDP).
- The new 2025 estimate of the net cost of net-zero by 2050 is in the red bars (right), compared with the previous 2020 advice (blue). It says that publicly funded outlays would need to range from £6-23bn per year up to 2035 and would never exceed 2% of Govt spending overall



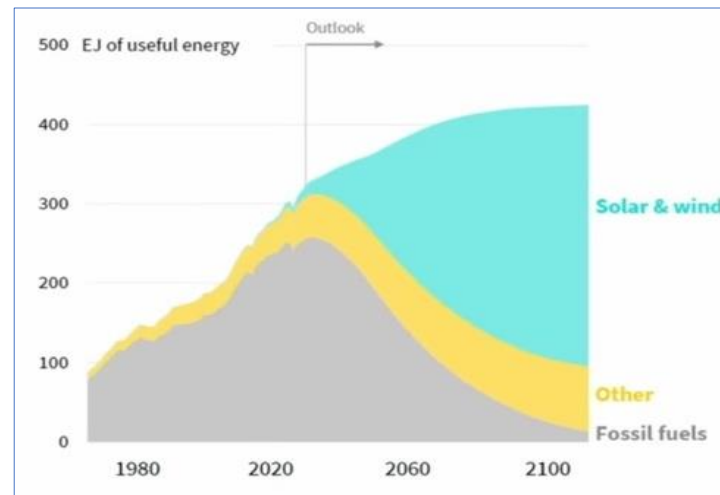
- **In 2019 the UK Parliament** amended the 2008 Climate Change Act to include **a commitment to net zero emissions by 2050**
- **The Climate Change Committee is the statutory body** which advises the UK Government and comments on the UK's climate progress
- It does this via **annual progress updates to Parliament and carbon budgets every 5 years**



5. Unstoppable Progress!

- **New for Old** Would you throw away Microsoft Word for a typewriter?! Your Car->Horse?! Mobile->Telephone Box?!
- **10-10** Instagram, TikTok, Bitcoin, WhatsApp, Teams, Uber, AirPods, Spotify, Netflix, ChatGPT
- **Oil peak** is now! (Age of Coal 1700, Age of Steam 1800, Age of Oil 1900, **Age of Electricity 2020**)
- **Laws of Physics** The most efficient, cheapest way to generate and distribute energy on Earth is solar (wind next) via electricity: **unstoppable**

FINANCIAL TIMES
Has China already reached peak oil?
 The country's demand for crude seems to be plateauing sooner than expected. The implications are huge

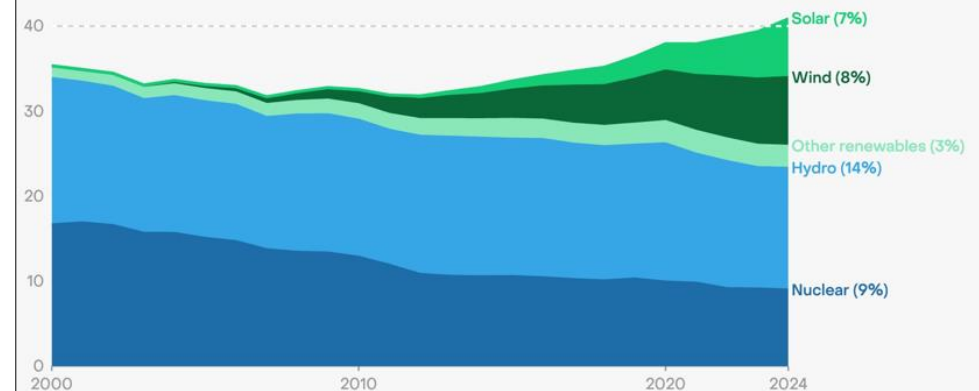


The smartphone has replaced all of these - for ever...

airline ticket, photo album, magazine, money, scanner, walkie talkie, translator, playing cards, diary, travel guidebook, foreign phrase-book, portable speakers, CDs, DVDs, VCR, takeout orders, encyclopaedia, photocopier, bank branches, address book, parking meter, dictionary, camera, map, calculator, alarm clock, TV, radio, phone box, yellow pages, newspaper, calendar

Solar and wind boom pushes world past 40% clean electricity in 2024

Share of global electricity generation (%)



Source: Yearly electricity data, Ember
 'Other renewables' includes bioenergy, geothermal, tide and wave energy

5 Reasons For Optimism!



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**Unstoppable
Progress**



Message of Hope

**We're all screwed
So don't tell us that
We can imagine a healthy future
Because the reality is
It's too late to fix the climate crisis
And we don't trust anyone who says
We need to demand a liveable planet
Because we don't have a choice**

No! Read it backwards instead!



Thank you!

11:00 – 11:15

Waterside Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge

Keith Morgan, Nottingham City Council



- June 2020 Exec Board approval to £168m Transforming Cities Fund Programme
(includes the bridge)
- 2020 Project set up, discovered how to use MS Teams, Steering Group formation
- 2021 Appointed consultants AMEY to review feasibility options



A word cloud of terms related to the project, with 'approval' as the largest and most central word. Other prominent words include 'procurement', 'usability', 'ramps', 'programme', 'cost', 'highway', 'engagement', 'location', 'cctv', 'permits', 'state', 'land', 'width', 'size', 'secretary', 'budget', 'approvals', 'agreements', 'lighting', 'time', 'public', 'access', 'colour', 'construction', 'planning', 'accessibility', 'scheme', 'planting', and 'landscaping'. The words are in various colors and orientations, creating a dynamic visual representation of the project's focus areas.



SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

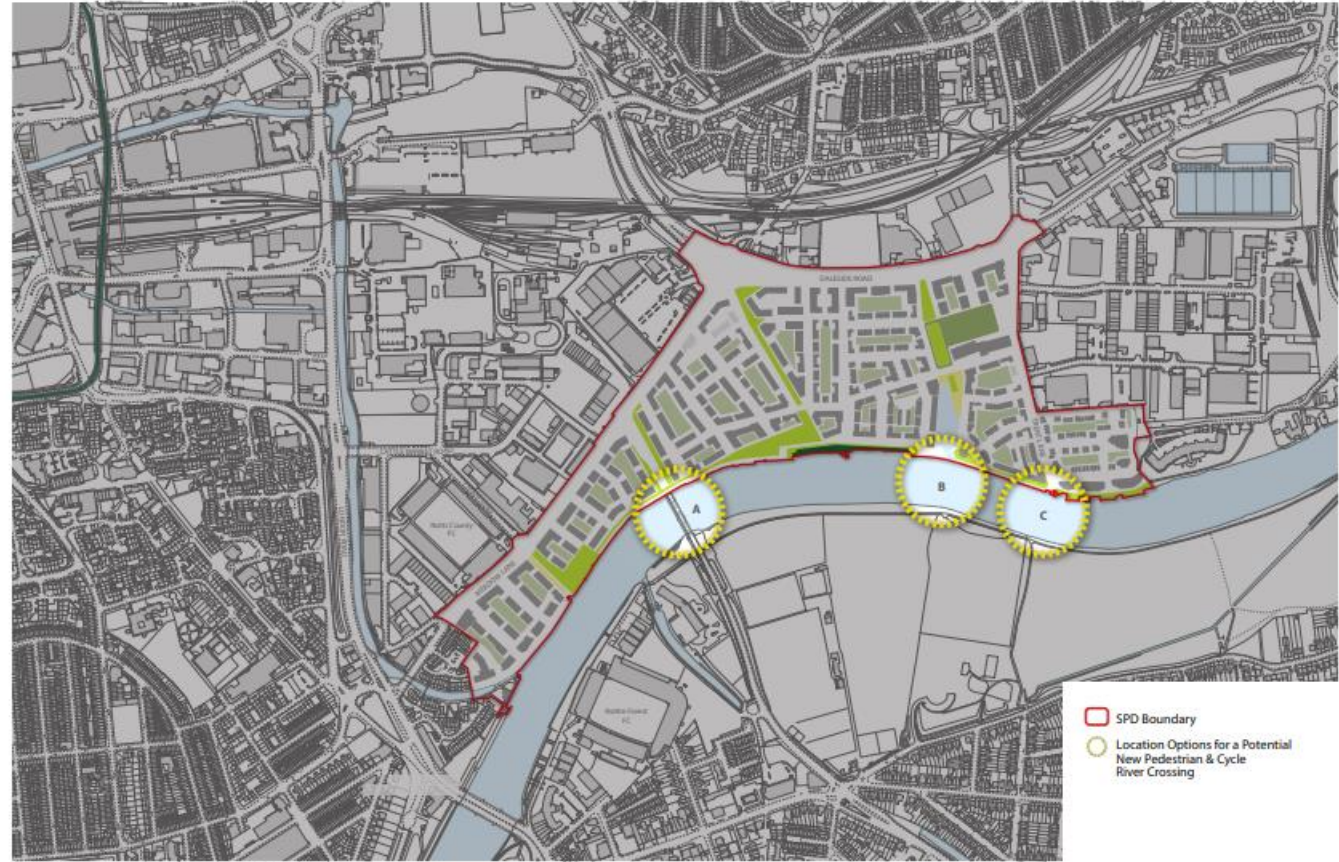
Waterside Nottingham



Adopted June 2019



Potential New River Crossing Location Options

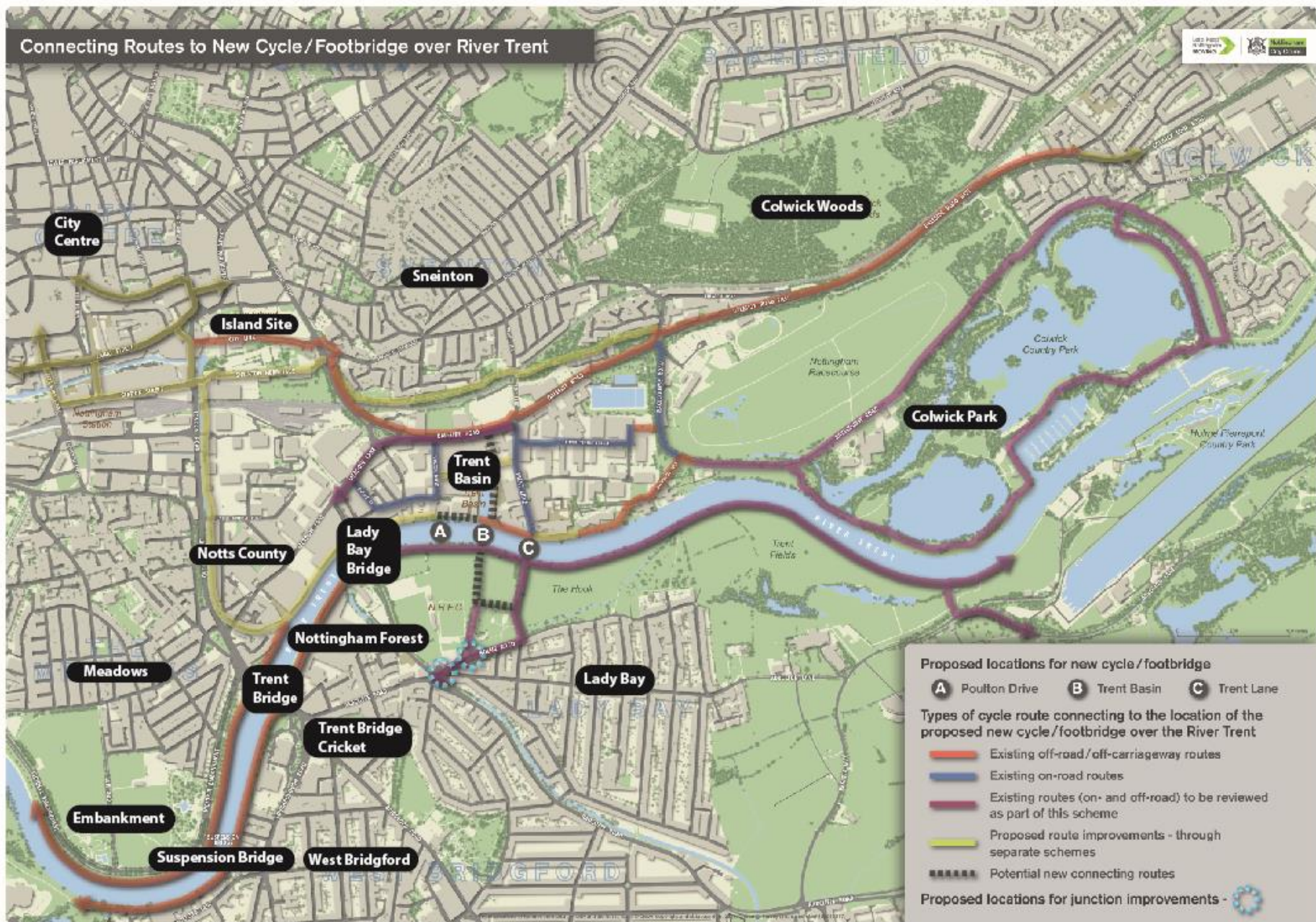


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Connecting Routes to New Cycle/Footbridge over River Trent



Options assessment





Date	Item	Status
November 2021	Public and stakeholder engagement (bridge location and initial design)	Complete
2023	Engage with Principal Contractor/ landowners	Complete
Feb 2024	Submit planning application	Complete
July 2024	Planning Approved	Complete
November 2024	Secretary of State confirms Bridge Scheme Order	Complete
December 2024	DfT confirm funding	Complete
Jan/ Feb 2025	Signing of delivery agreement with Balfour Beatty Secured licenses for construction areas	Complete
March 2025	Land acquired on both north and south banks	Complete
March 2025	Vegetation clearance, and Flo demolition	Complete

The Journey Here



March 2025

- Vegetation clearance
- Demolition works
- Site establishment



The Journey Here



April 2025

- Demolition works
- Site establishment



The Journey Here



August 2025

- Piling (South)
- Temporary works
- Reinforced concrete



The Journey Here



June 2025 contd.

- Trial Erection (off-site)



The Journey Here



August 2025 contd.

- Deck sections arrive
- Concrete pour



The Journey Here



September 2025

- Arch arrives
- Reinforced concrete
- Welding to structure



The Next Chapter

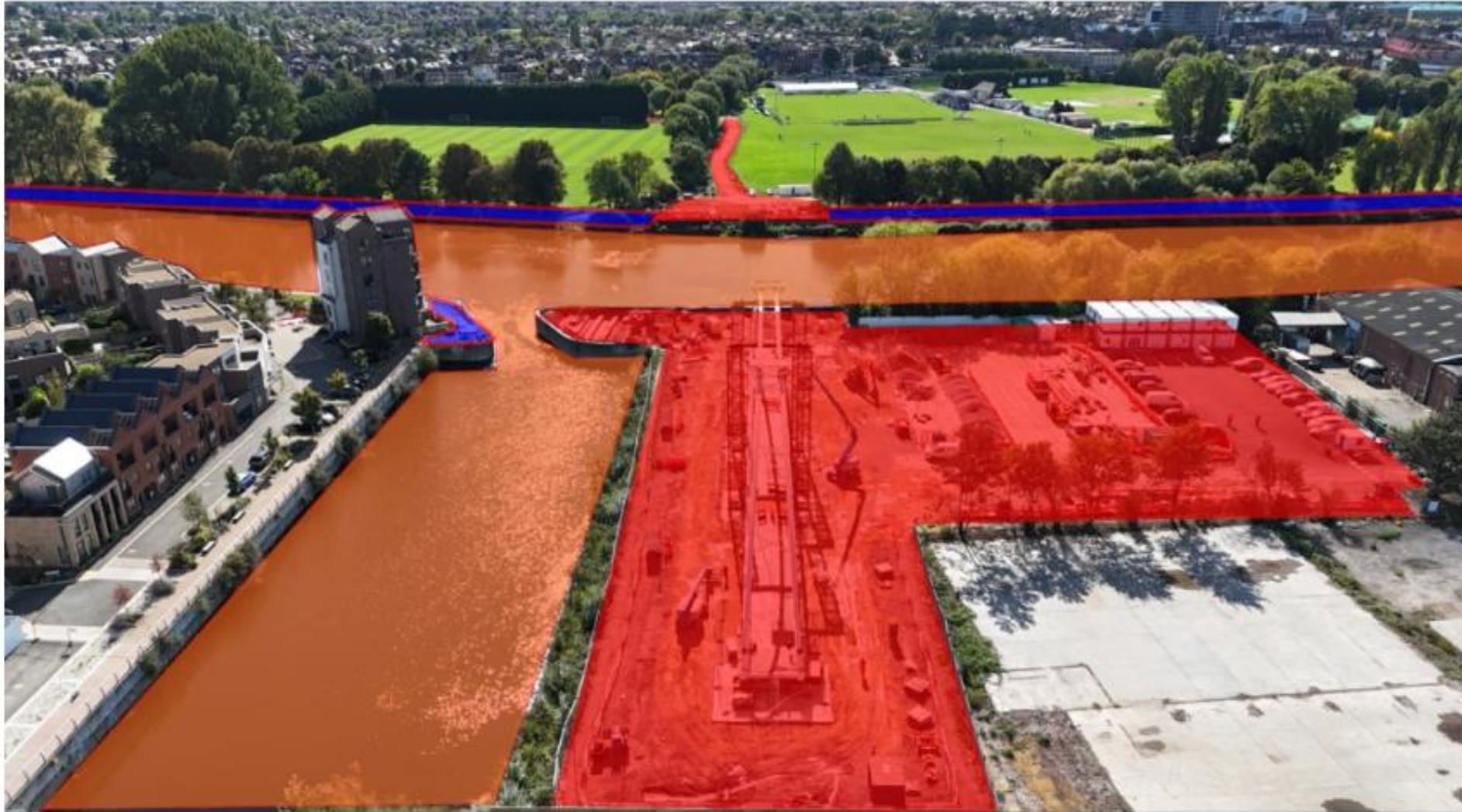


November 2025

- CC6800 Crane delivered
- River Closure: 10th – 16th



The Next Chapter – The Lift Week



Key:



Bridge lift area - critical personnel only



Site closed - manned for security - no public access



River Closure:
Bridge 13 (Lady Bay) to
Bridge 13A (Sailing Club
Continuation) from 10th
November (8am) to 16th
November (4pm)

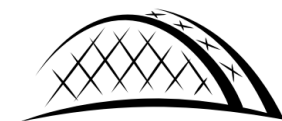
Safety Boats deployed
upstream and
downstream



The Next Chapter – December 2025 onwards



- Further 6 months work
- **North**
 - Amphitheatre and ramp
 - Basin bridge
 - Drainage / lighting
 - Paving
 - Planting
- **South**
 - Ramps / stairs
 - Footway
 - Drainage / lighting

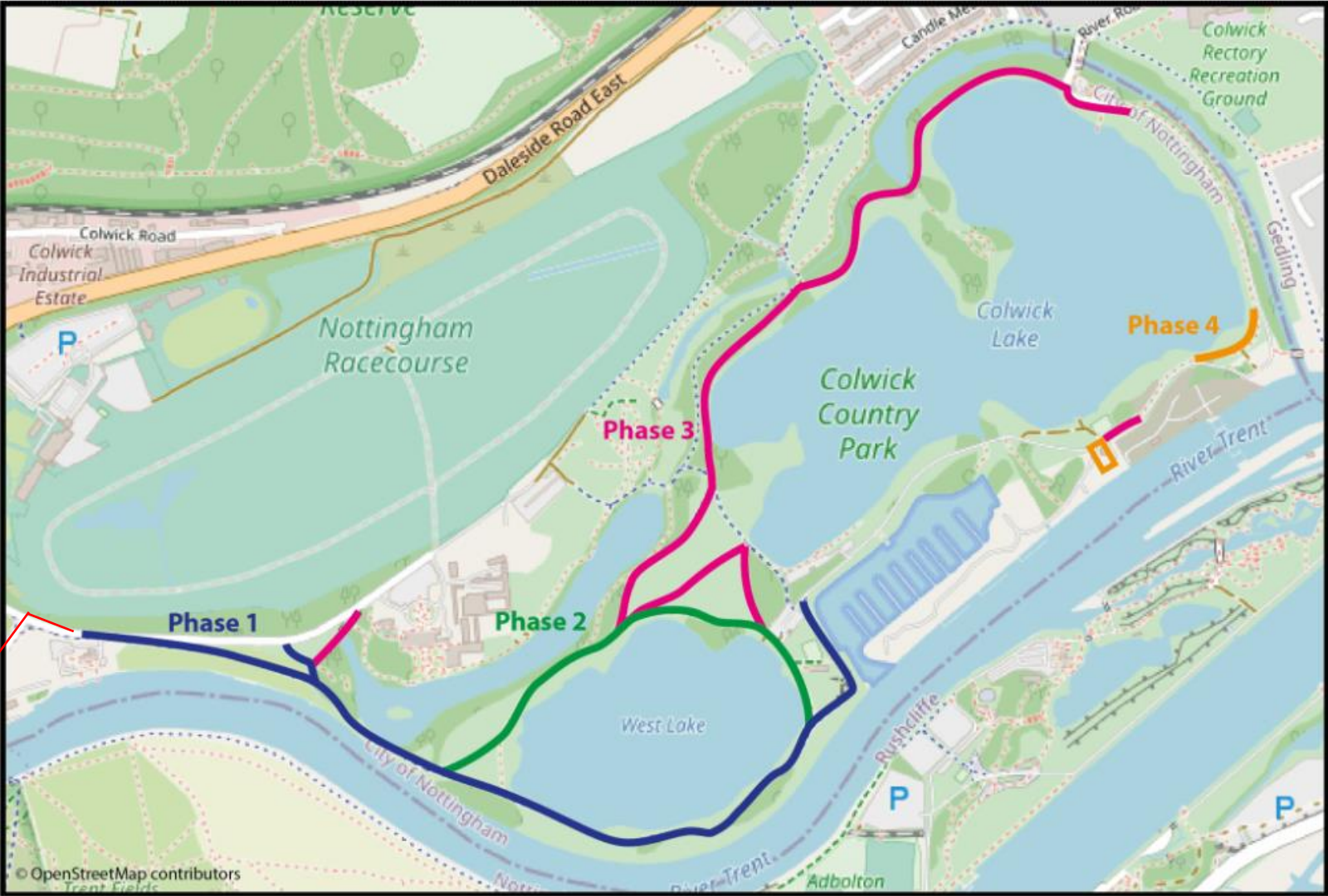
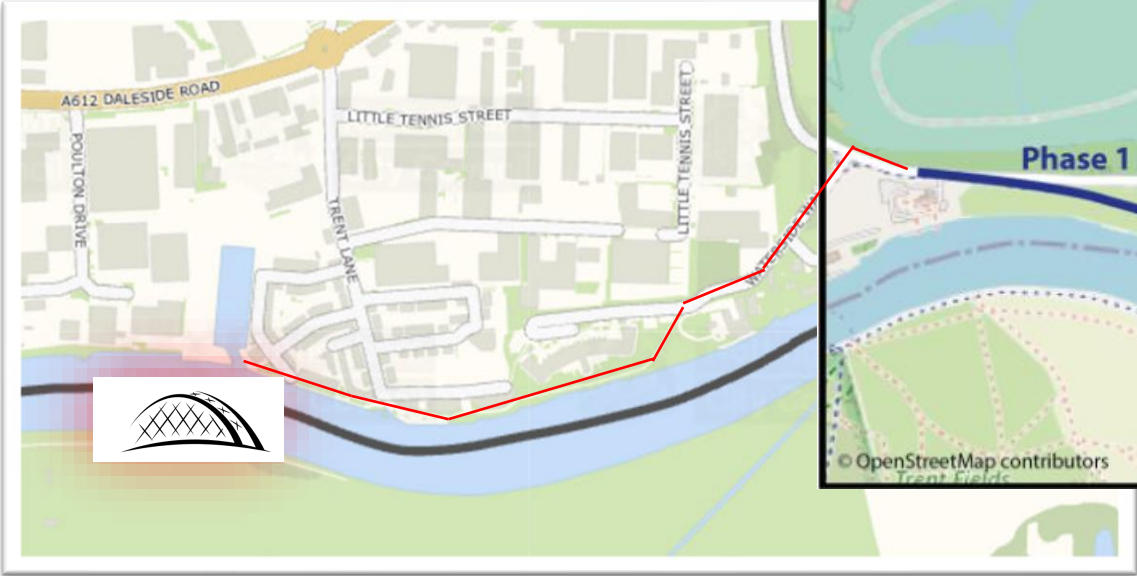






Let's not forget the basin bridge!

Northside connections



Before



After

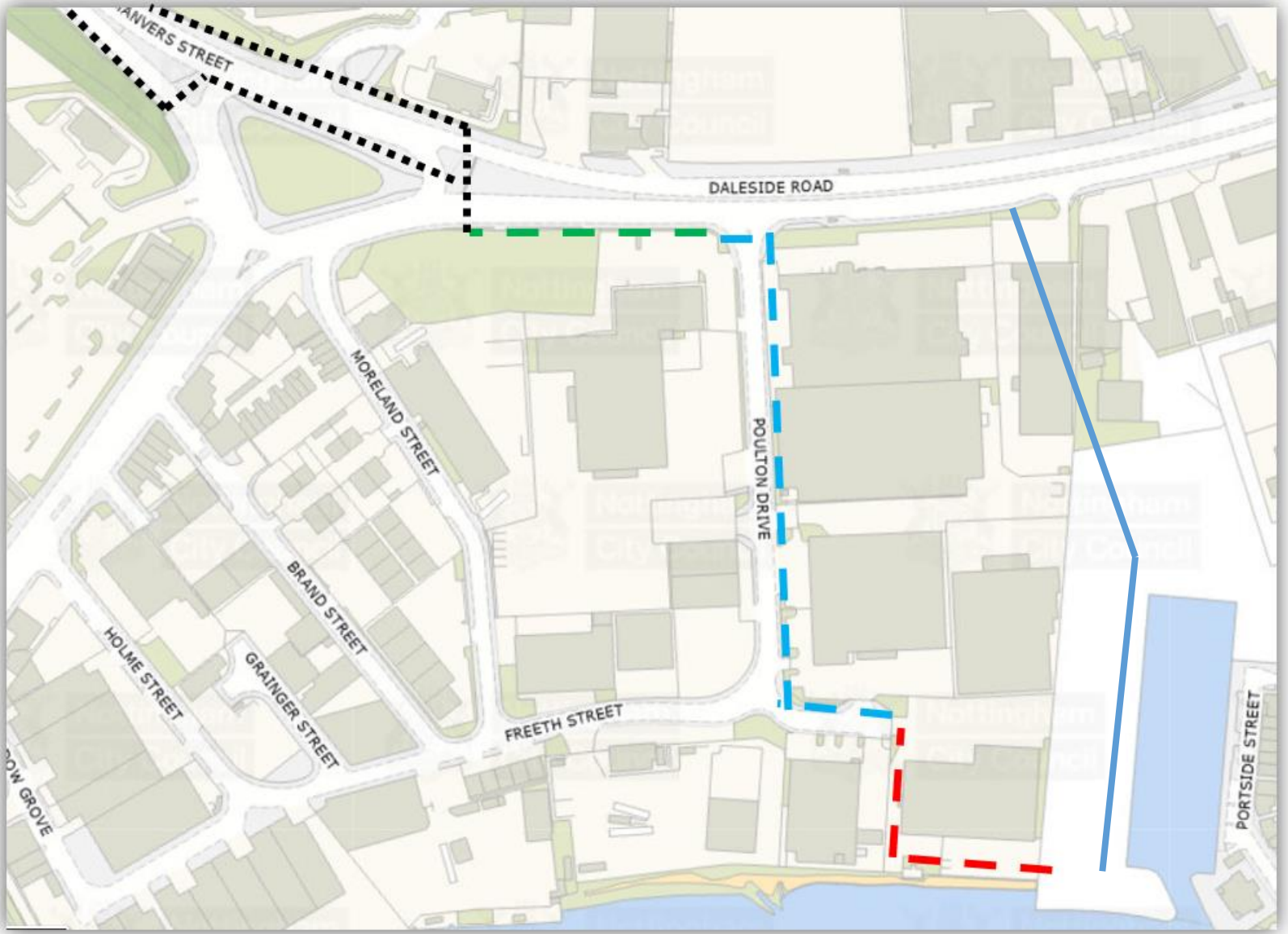


Northside connections

Bridge

Western connection

- Section 1
(Blueprint land)
- Section 2
(Poulton Drive)
- Section 3
(Daleside Road)
- Existing onward route



Southside
connections





Bridge	Facts
Span across river	87m
Piers in river	none
Width (usable)	4m
Height (deck to arch top)	20m
Weight	175T
Material	Steel
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Lighting	On handrail
CCTV	Yes (northside)

Thank you

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Local Area Energy Plan Update

Jorge Santana, Nottingham City Council

Local Area Energy Plan Update

Mike Lyon
Energy Projects Manager



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Background

- East Midlands Combined County Authority is funding LAEPs for the region
- Nottingham City Council is working with Mott MacDonald and IES to produce a LAEP for the city
- The LAEP will provide a sequenced plan of proposed actions to achieving the area's net-zero goals
- Two dates have been set by EMCCA for all LAEPs across the region – net-zero by 2040 and net-zero by 2050



Progress so far

- IES have produced the baseline energy model for the city
- Stakeholder engagement survey has been distributed to gain information on decarbonisation strategies and targets for organisations/businesses across the city



Current work

- IES have begun modelling different interventions – retrofit, solar and heat pumps – to achieve net-zero 2040 and 2050
- NCC are reviewing data on current energy consumption and analysing possible uptake rates for retrofit, solar and heat pumps in order to tailor the modelling specific to Nottingham City



What's next

- Further stakeholder engagement will take place in the coming months to gain feedback on the proposed plan of interventions



Our ask of you

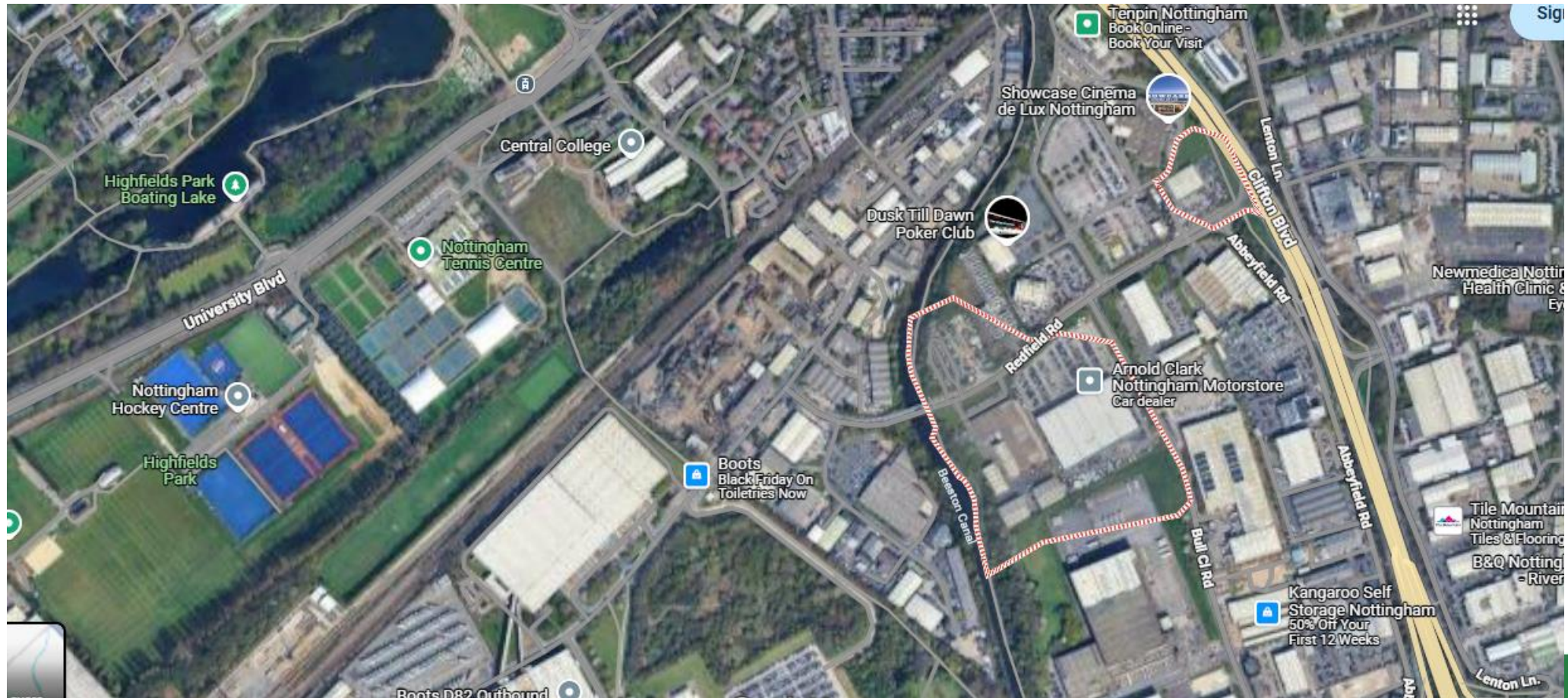
- Stakeholder engagement questionnaire and workshops
 - If you've not already agreed to be part of the stakeholder engagement process, and you are happy for your contact details to be shared with Mott MacDonald for this purpose, please email catherine.judge@nottinghamcity.gov.uk
- Assistance in identifying additional stakeholders
 - We are particularly seeking stakeholders for the following industrial estates:
 - NG7 2UJ, NG2 1LW, NG7 2NN, NG1 5FS, NG2 3ED, NG2 3BS, NG6 8EQ
 - If you are aware of any other networks that we could access to try to identify further stakeholders at these postcodes, please let us know!

Thank you!

Any questions?



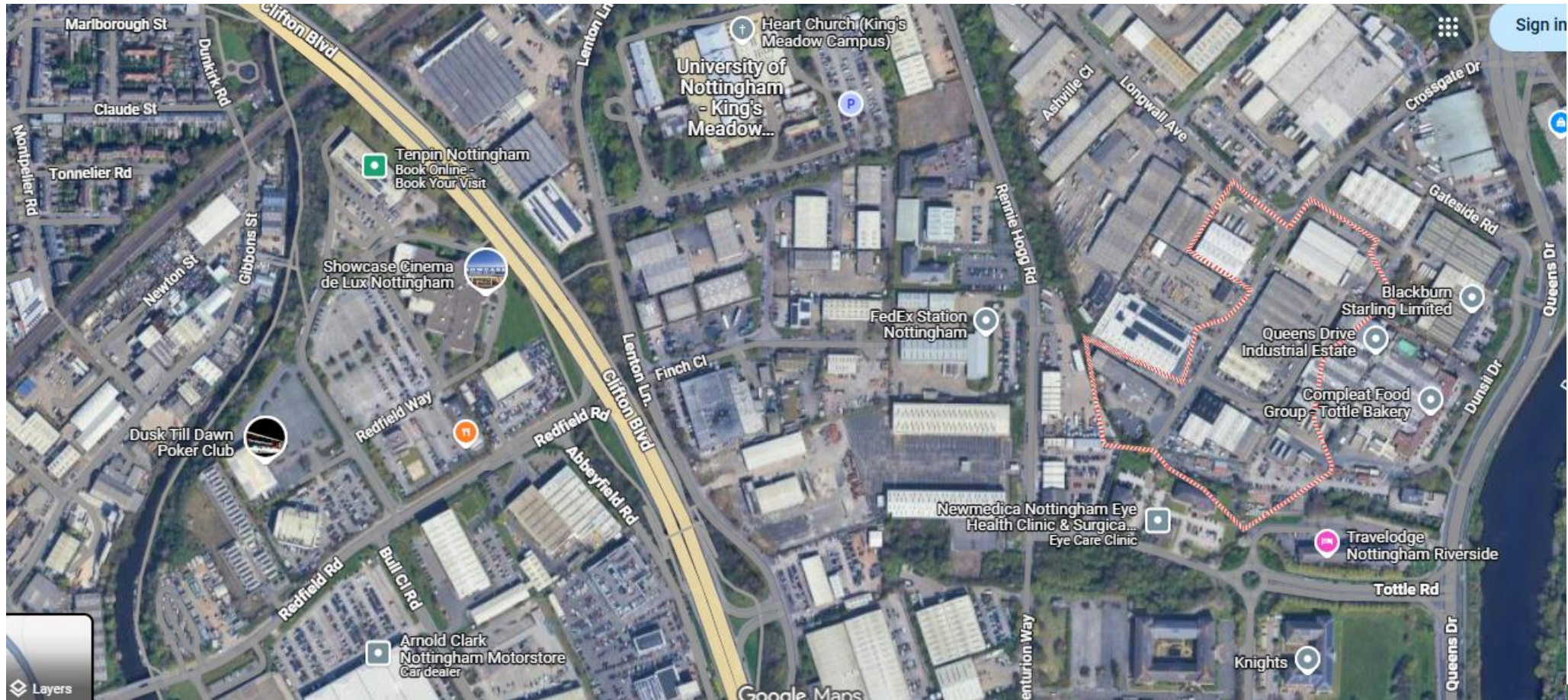
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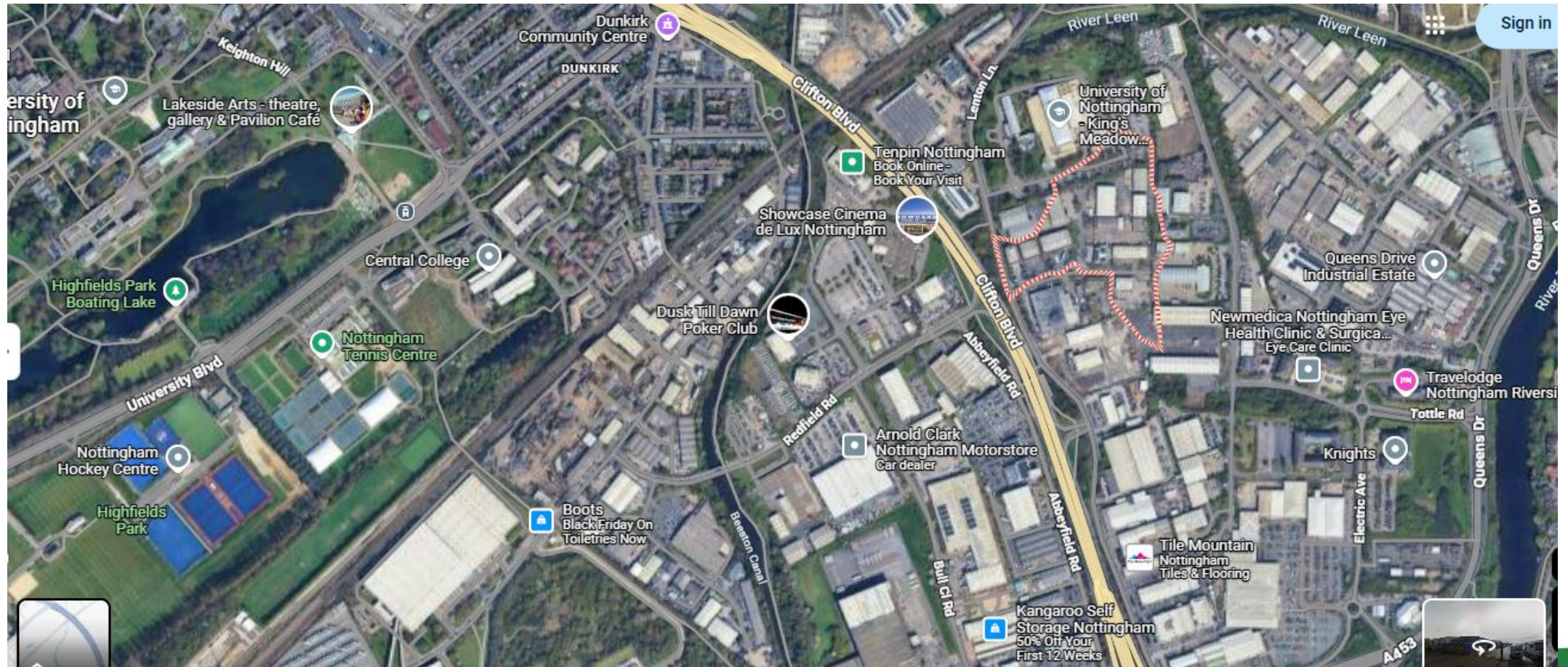
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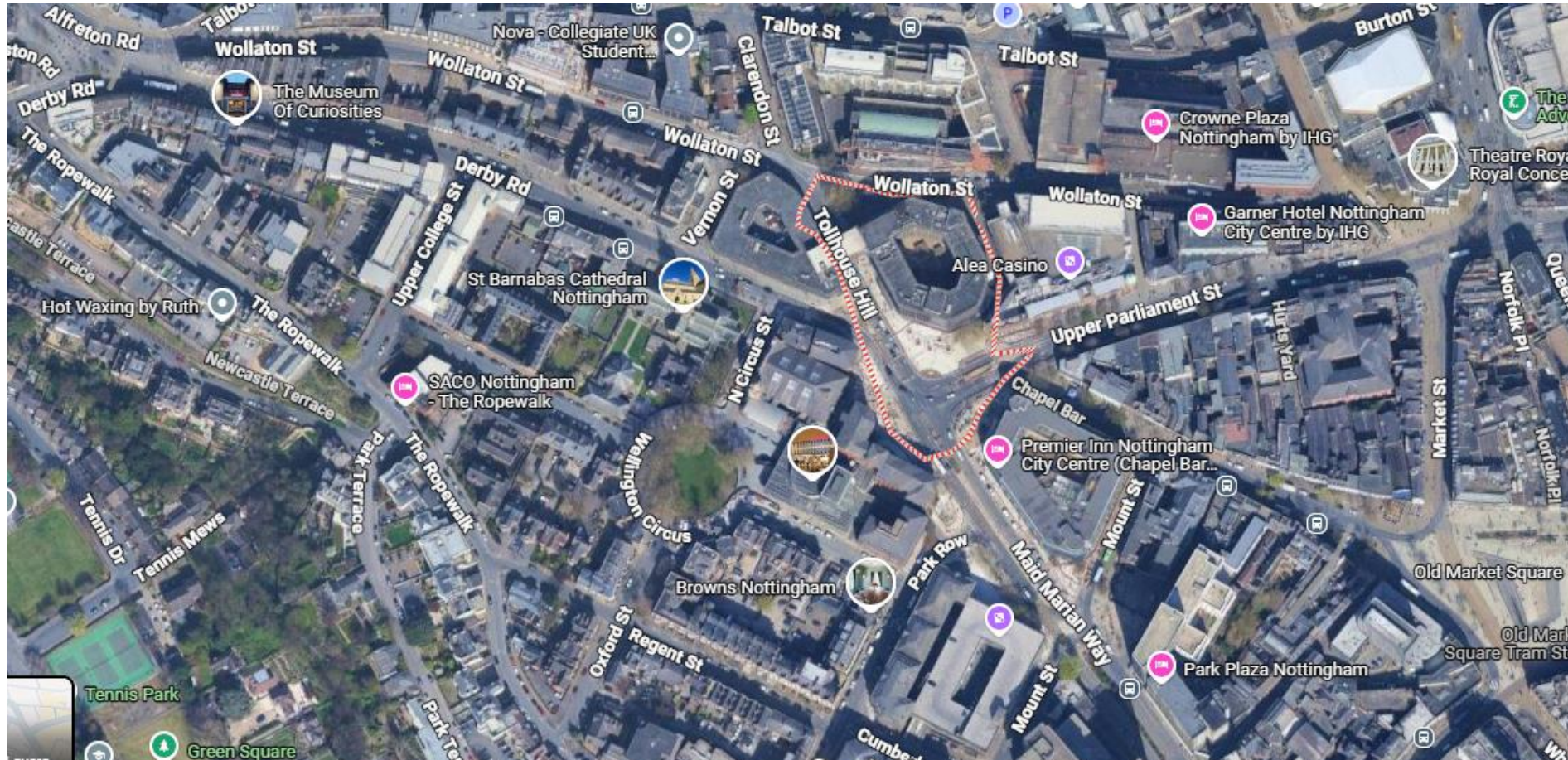
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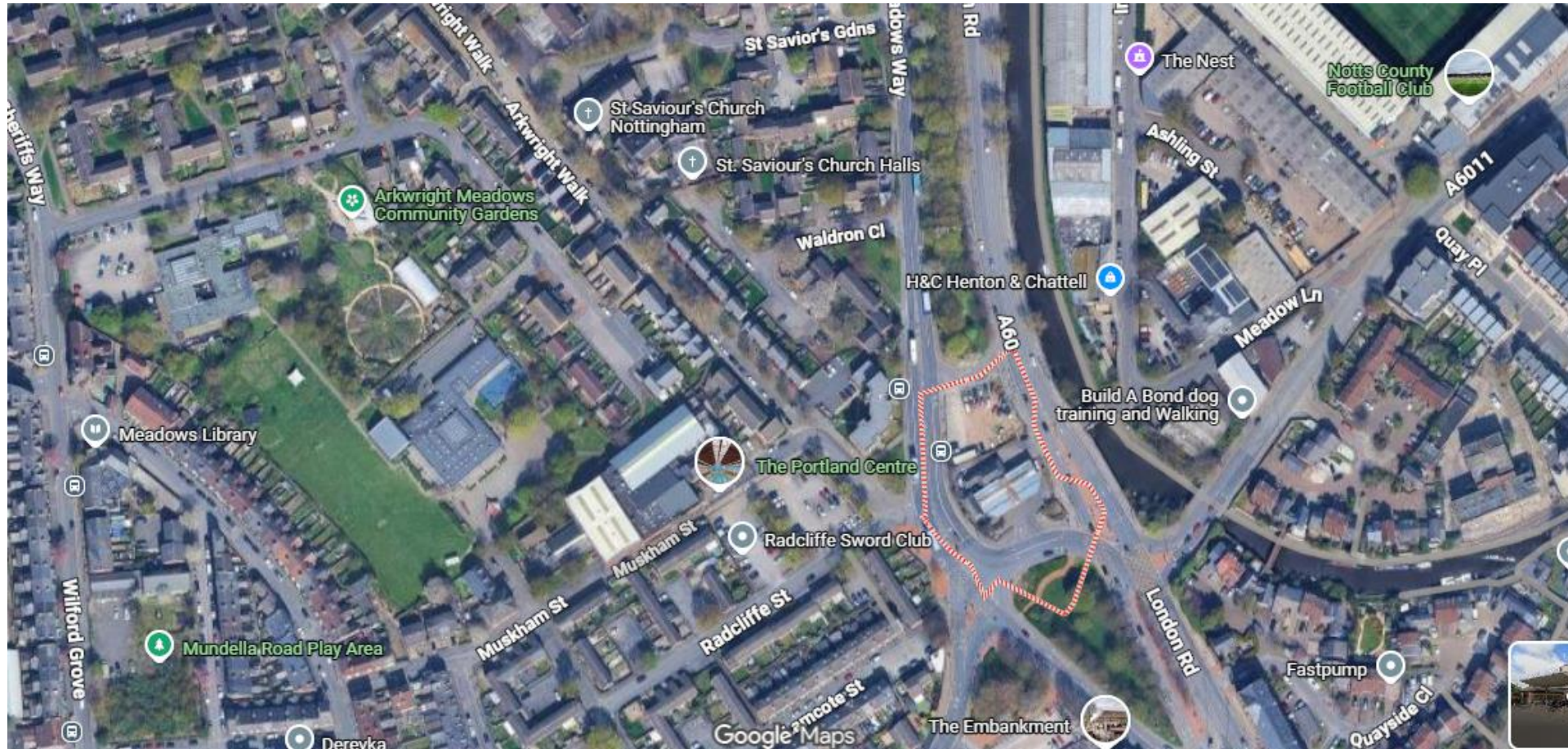
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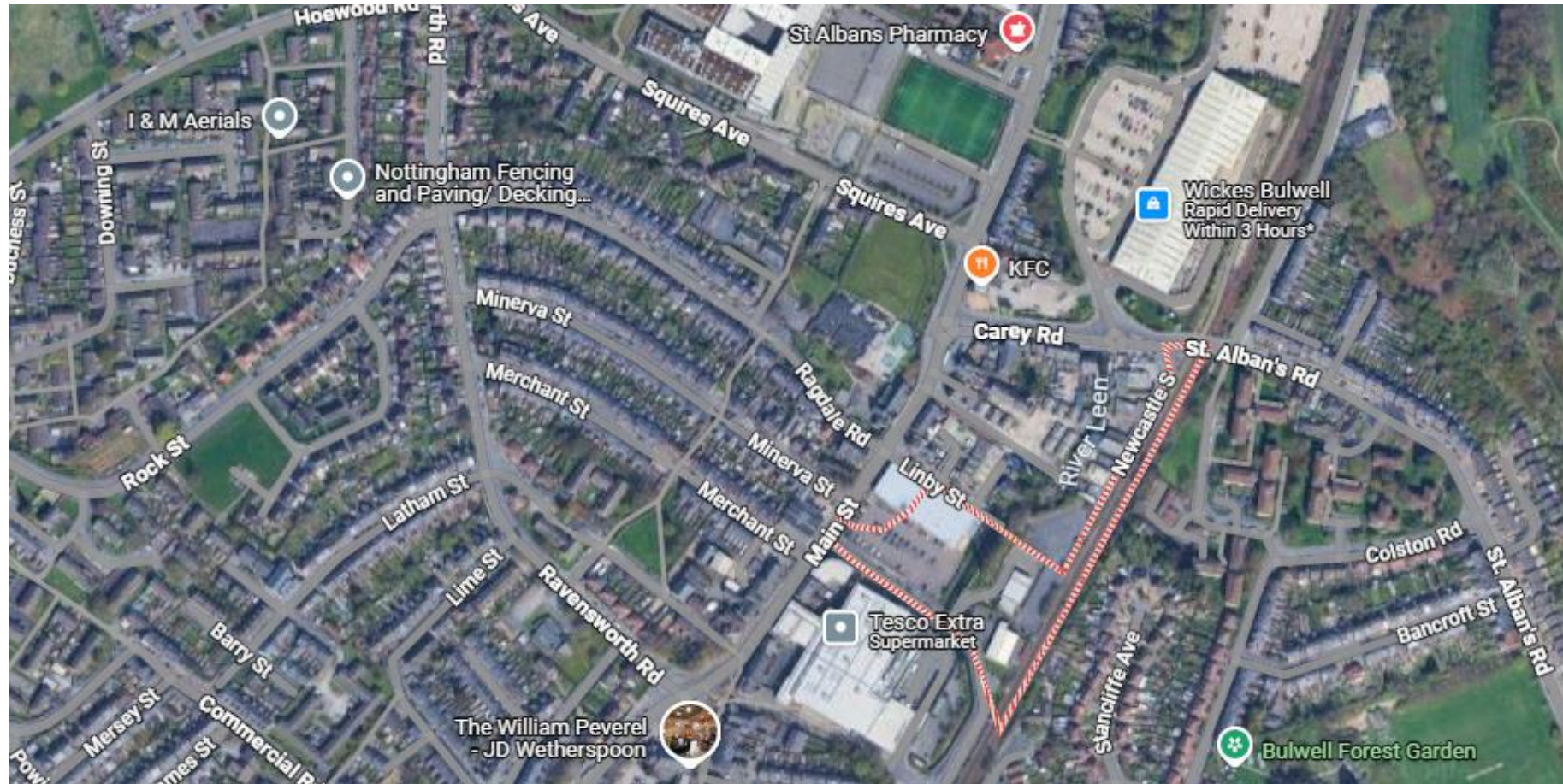
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NG2 3BS



NG6 8EQ



Nottingham Mini Climate Assembly Analysis

Jacqueline Kirk, Nottingham Business School



Nottingham
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Nottingham Trent University



Nottingham Climate Assembly – Mini Assembly preliminary analysis

Dr Jacqueline Kirk (NTU) and Dr Fergus Bolger (ARU)

Artwork by Rikki Marr

04/11/2025



Presentation flow:

- Brief recap-overview of Nottingham Climate Assembly Mini-Assemblies
- Spotlight assembly: Nottingham Business School's Global Responsibility Week event (May 2025)
- Preliminary analysis
 - Assembly demographics and feedback
 - Assembly recommendations
 - Action and responsibility
 - Communicate, engage and educate
 - Partnerships with other businesses and policy makers
- Ongoing support and opportunities to put forward your views, broaden networks and be at the forefront for change in our city.



Nottingham Climate Assembly

- Why citizens assemblies?
- NCA: Independent community-based initiative
- To help shape the City's response to climate change by working collaboratively to involve residents across Nottinghamshire in activities responding to the climate emergency.
- Youth Panel (2022)
- **Mini-Assemblies (innovative and ongoing)**
- City Assembly (2026)



Spotlight mini-assembly – NTU Global Responsibility week

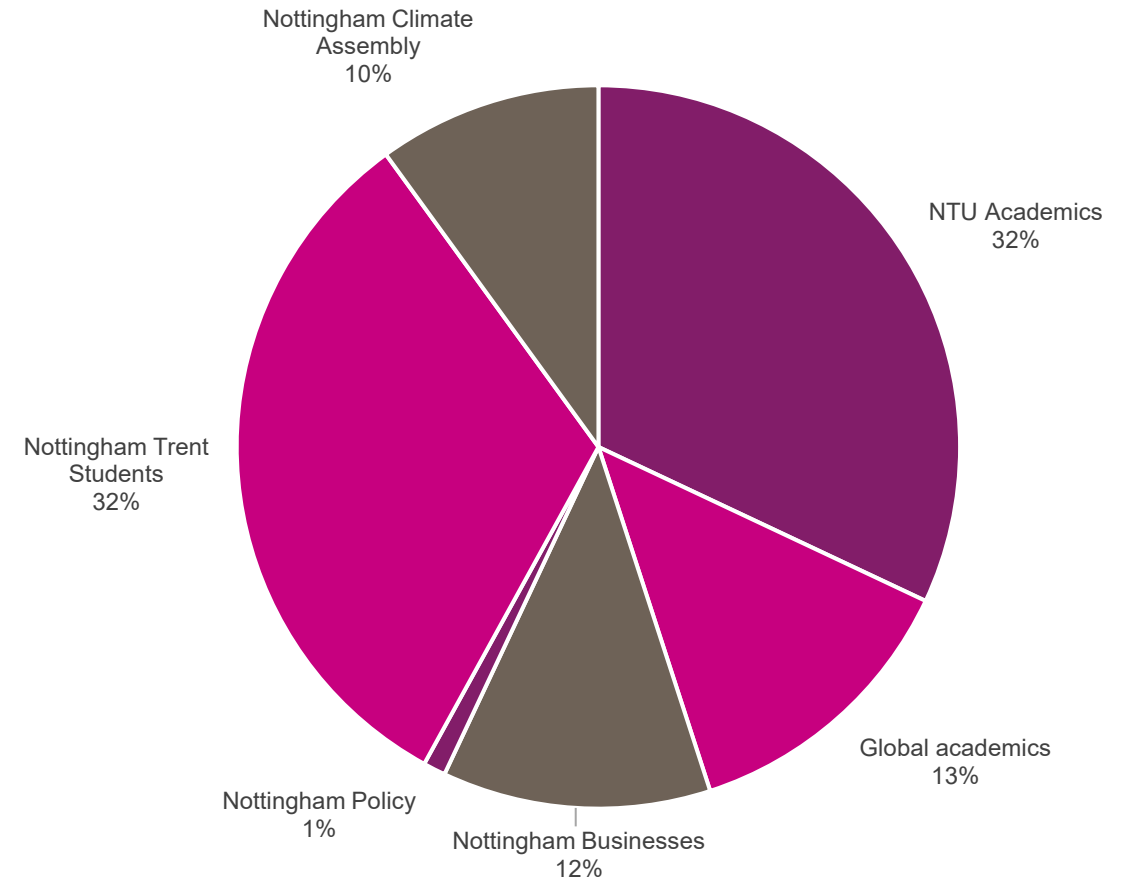


- Global Responsibility Week is an innovative and interdisciplinary initiative organised by Nottingham Business School, Nottingham Trent University.
- The event brings together international partners, local community-based initiatives and representatives from industry to inspire business students in sustainability.
- May 2025 showcase held at the Nottingham Contemporary. Bringing together around 100 participants including business leaders, public sector representatives, NBS students, Nottingham Trent University academics and international scholars.
- **To discuss: What might business contribute to delivering net zero by 2028?**
- Recently shortlisted by the Association of MBAs (AMBA) for Best Sustainability Initiative Award



Assembly demographics and feedback

- 97% of participants completing the survey agreed or strongly agreed that they had the opportunity to influence discussions and that issues of importance to them were given adequate consideration (3% neither agreed nor disagreed).
- ***“It’s fantastic to get out of your bubble and talk to others with different perspectives, in a respectful way that can broaden everyone’s thinking”*** (GRW Climate Assembly Participant, 2025)
- **“Be good to bring back people, especially those with influence (more businesses)”** (GRW Climate Assembly Participant, 2025)



Assembly recommendations

- Need for action and multi-stakeholder collaboration



Not waiting for someone else, taking responsibility



Communicating, engaging and educating



With others, business and policy partnerships

Action and taking responsibility

- Taking responsibility whilst working with others
- Business' influence on individuals (customers, employees etc.)



WHAT'S
SDG?



Recognise
implications of off
setting carbon on
wider society

Measure / add
the SDGs to
policies

Electric bikes



Scaling up small
actions into large



Bold policies /
simple practices



Public transport
incentives



Make recycling
easier for consumers



Encourage work from
home



Bottle refill points

Communicate



Raise awareness of existing solutions / celebrate progress that is made



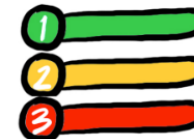
Active agents for change – be more up front about sustainability



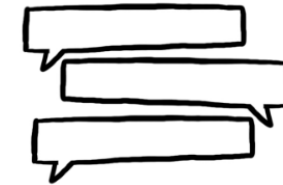
Use social media to build visibility



Sharing examples



Carbon scorecard transparent for consumers



Forums for myth busting / get out of own silos



Display emissions, scope 1,2 and 3.

Engage



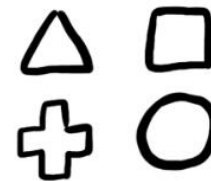
Align goals: efficiency, innovation



Simpler terminology, data simplified / make green initiatives easier to understand / jargon kills meaning



Make it relevant (impacts of inaction for who and by when) / Taglines – what does it mean for each community



Make it fun – gamify



Positivity

Make it aspirational

Educate



Focus on intangible resources (social capital) as opposed to just tangible



Green skills
baseline
education



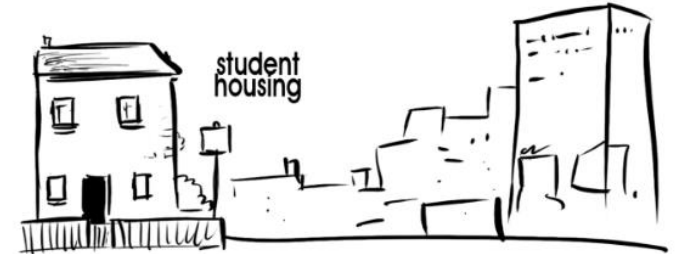
Incubate ideas

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CPD

CPD sustainability



Change mindsets:
how to be
sustainable without
consuming



Work with universities – housing scheme

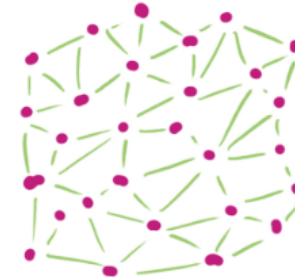
Partnerships: with businesses



Lead – authentic
leaders, take
responsibility



Train others on best
practice



Facilitate networks
and collaboration

MCN
?

MNCs to support
SMEs: access to
technology,
enabling, refining,



Supporting action in
the supply chain



Transparency –
learning from
diverse
experience



Pooling resources
/ sharing data

Partnerships: with policy



Positive lobbying by businesses to government



Government seen to be blocking progress



To offer policy solutions

Partnerships: what is needed from policy



Tax the bad stuff / Incentivise the good



Reward businesses



Campaign funds for growing gardens



Incentives and penalties



Taxes to support more eco friendly actions



Carbon levy for sustainability projects



Sustainability audits to be a government requirement

How to get involved:

- In Spring 2026 Nottingham Business School and Nottingham Climate Assembly will host a second assembly challenging decision makers on next steps.
- **This is an opportunity for Nottingham business leaders to put forward their views, establish networks and be at the forefront of change in our city.** To be involved contact: Jacqueline.kirk@ntu.ac.uk or signup via the QR code.
- You can also support efforts to establish a City-wide assembly in 2026 through donating on crowdfunder: <https://www.nottinghamclimateassembly.co.uk/city-assembly>
- Or attending our get together to arrange the organisation of this event: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nottingham-climate-assembly-volunteer-event-tickets-1870121717399?aff=oddtcreator>



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Richard Barlow, NGP Chair

Close

Thank you for
Attending

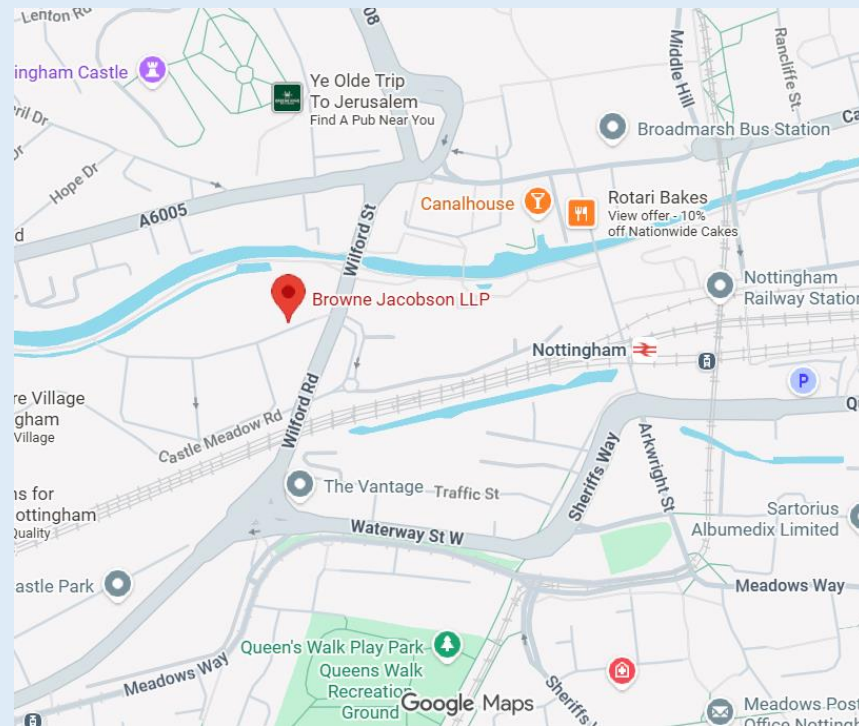
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Information on Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday 3rd February 2026

Location: Browne Jacobson

Address: Mowbray House, Castle Meadow Rd, Nottingham NG2 1BJ



Further information to follow by email