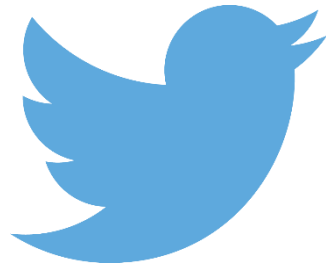




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Climate crisis: can councils deliver on bold promises to cut emissions?

Many councils have committed to going carbon neutral, but they lack the power and funds to take effective citywide action



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▲ In areas of areas of Nottingham, there has been a mass installation of solar panels on houses. Photograph: E On/Page One/Nottingham Council

Jessie Sims is one of 600 people in Stroud, Gloucestershire, to have had their homes retrofitted to make them more energy efficient. In 2013, the district council replaced the windows and doors, insulated the loft and floors, and installed solar panels on the roof as part of its

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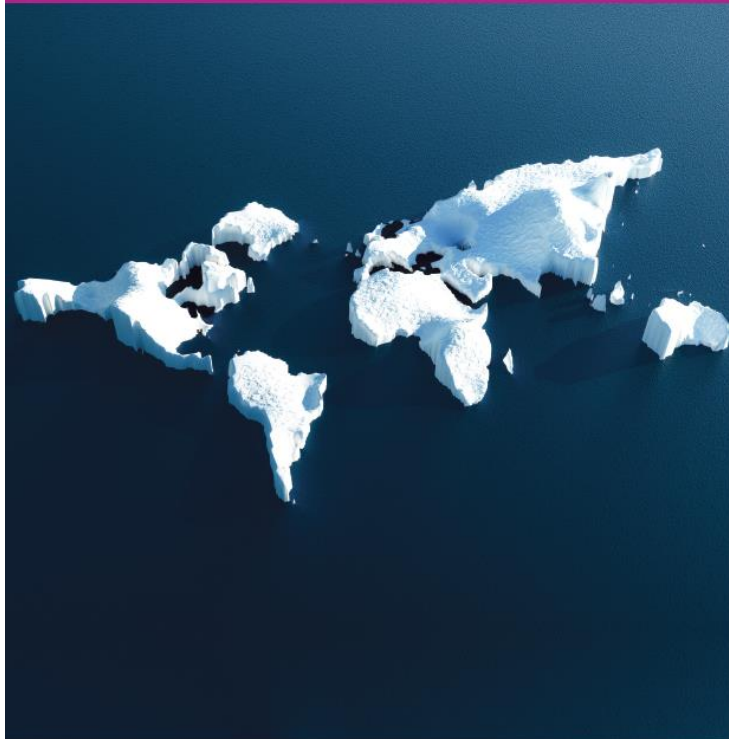


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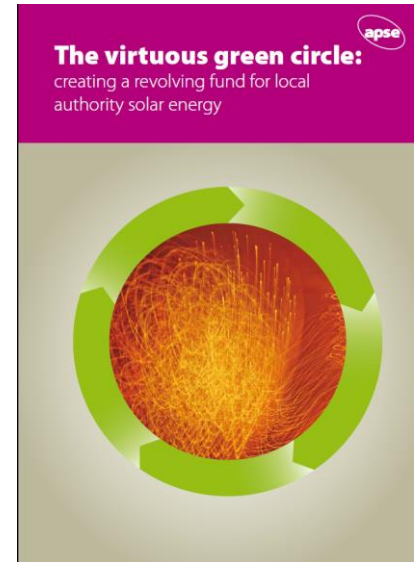
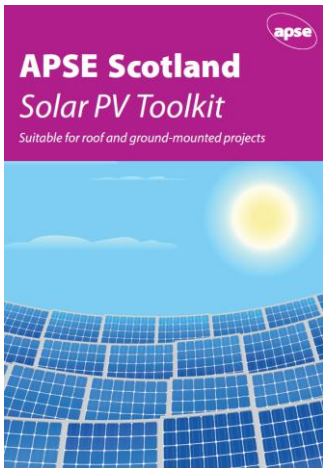
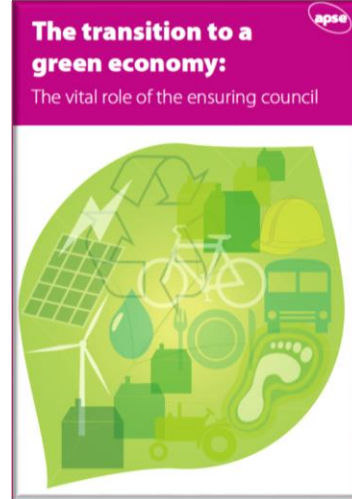
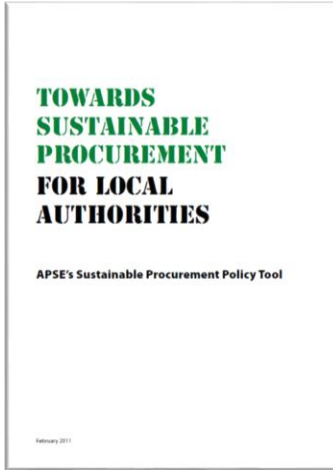


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Local Authority Case Studies



Birmingham City Council

- NOx reduction Champions project
- 2014 - £500,000 from the Department of Transport to convert c.80 taxis to LPG
- LPG free entry to CAZ & meet Euro 6
- LPG conversion, final cost £7,700 per vehicle. VAT only cost to drivers
- NOx emissions testing results
- Early and continued engagement
- Found that drivers like the technology but not willing to pay

Nottingham City Council

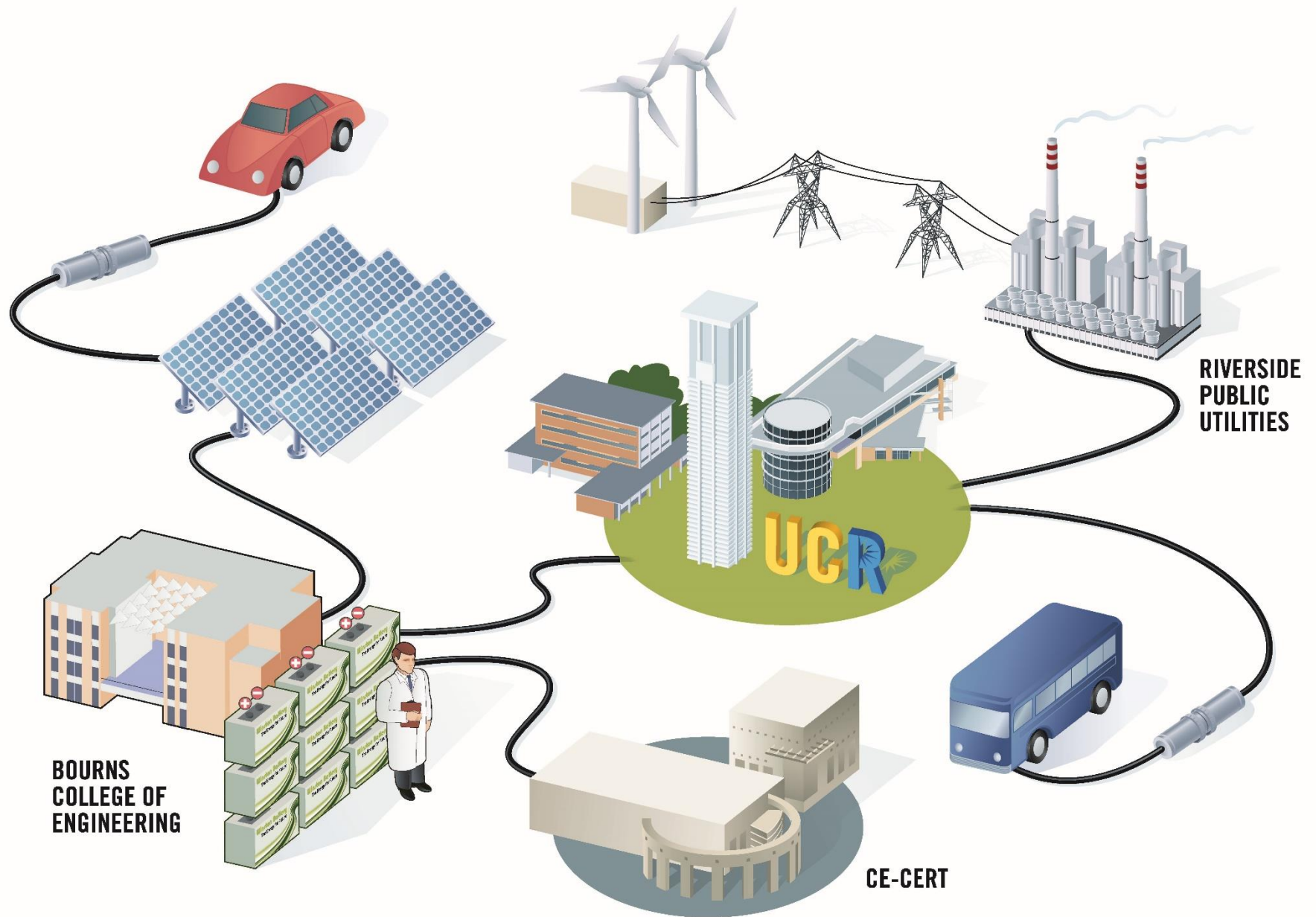
- Aging fleet. 411 Diesel Hackney Cabs, average age 14yrs / Euro 3
- Policy changes – 2020, 2025
- ULEV support package. 3 main areas
- Evidence/ Suitability. Cenex assessment. Data loggers. Fuel savings
- Electric taxi trial. 3 council owned taxis. 12 day loan £50. 7 supported so far
- Financial support (coming 2019). Home charger grants. Licencing cash back scheme
- Infrastructure, taxi charge point network

Brighton & Hove Council

- Air quality
- 2005 parking permits 50% discount for low emission vehicles. 2009 public EV fast charging points
- Recent OLEV bid for 200 on-street lamppost chargers
- By 2024 Ultra low emission zone for Euro 6 busses only
- Survey & analysis. Only 1/3 taxi drivers have a driveway. Range anxiety
- Engagement, personal health benefits







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