



# Draft Climate Emergency Action Plan 2023-28

Economic Development, Transport & Climate Emergency Scrutiny Commission

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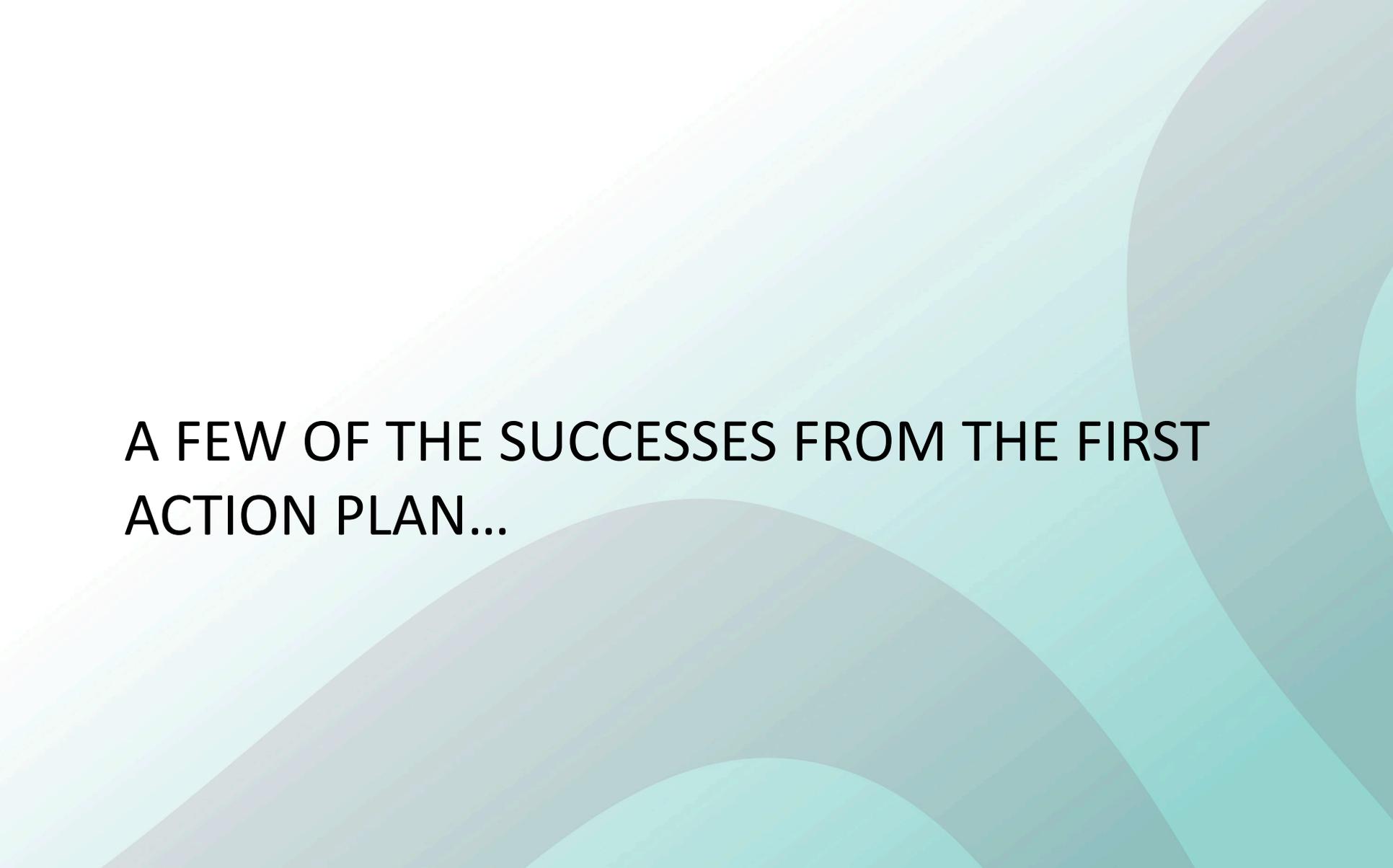
Opening remarks

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# In this presentation....

1. Building on the first Climate Emergency Action Plan (2020-23)
2. Overview of the new plan
3. How the new plan is being developed

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**A FEW OF THE SUCCESSES FROM THE FIRST  
ACTION PLAN...**

- More than 500 privately owned homes retrofitted
- Over 2300 energy saving measures in council homes
- Over £24m Salix investment into schools and operational estate



# Green Grants to Grow Your Business



£1.17m grants 205 businesses c1500t carbon



**European Union**  
European Regional  
Development Fund



Replacement of 116 diesel buses with EVs in progress, saving 2,053 tCO<sub>2</sub>e per year

Electrified Park & Ride and Hospital Hopper services

Hop! electric shuttle launched

Tap-on, tap-off bus ticketing system

St Margaret's net zero bus station

Bikeability training for 3,220 pupils

Over 8km new cycling routes

Reached 1,400 20mph streets



Over 28,500 new trees

Tree Wardens scheme  
launched, alongside existing  
Leicester Environmental  
Volunteers

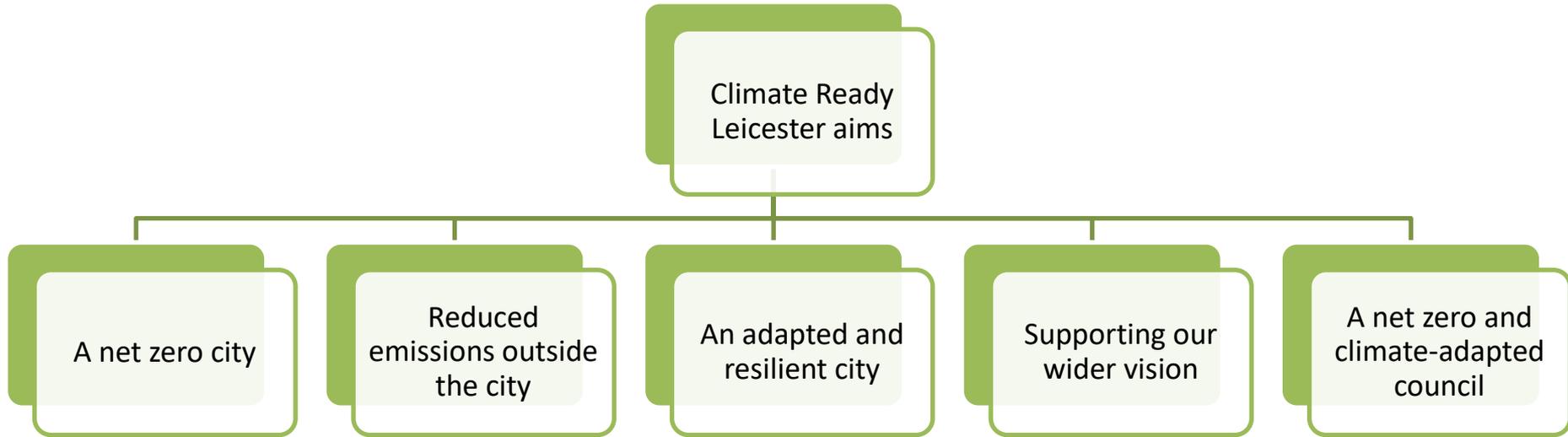
Flood risk projects, including  
Everards Meadows

Sustainable drainage  
projects in 3 schools

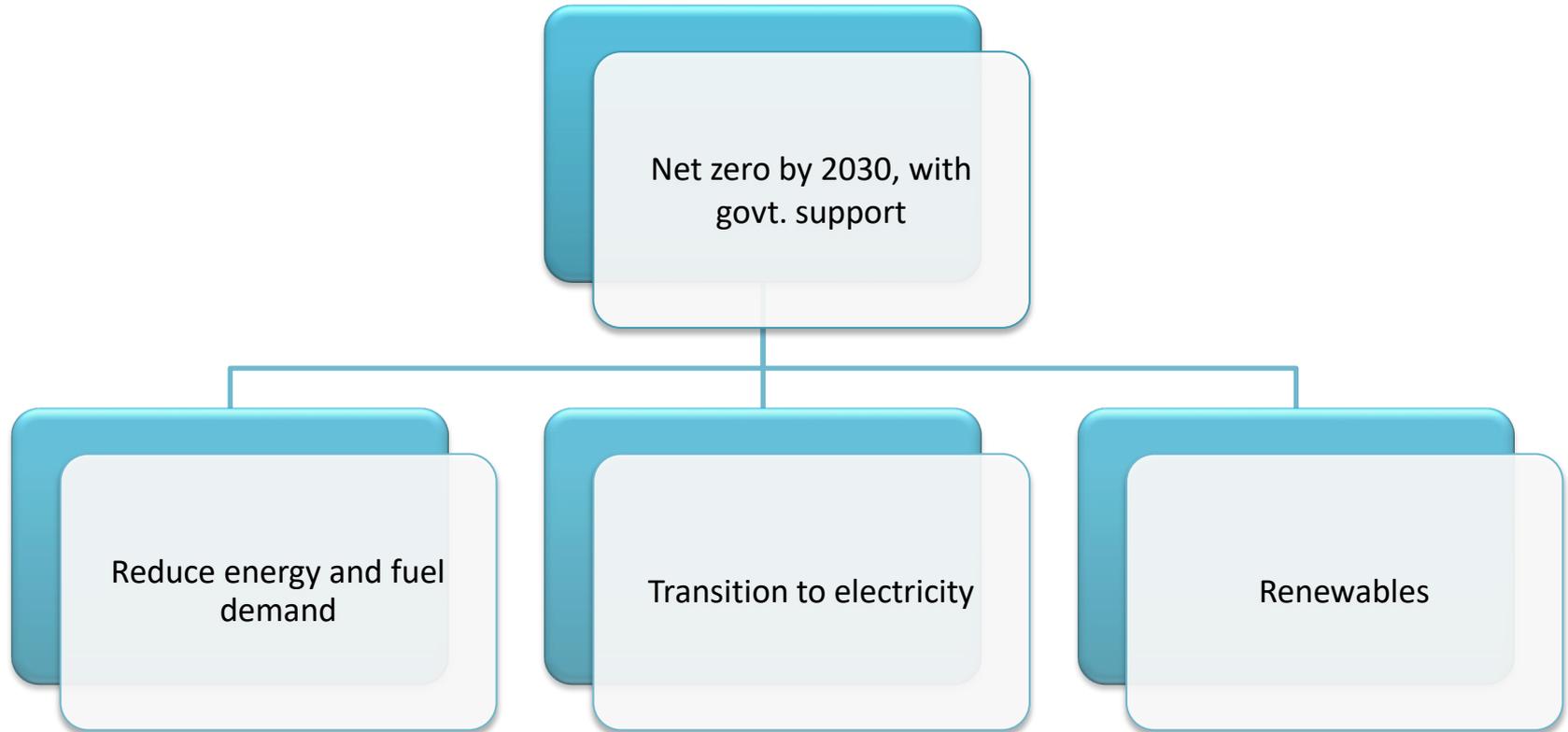
65 'green flag' Eco Schools –  
top local authority area

Expanded Gypsum Close  
Reuse Shop – 91,000 items  
sold in past year

# Aims of the new plan



# Approach to achieving net zero ambition



# THEMES

# AREAS OF FOCUS

## **The council**

Operational buildings, new construction, fleet, procurement, resilience

## **Housing**

Fuel poverty, council housing retrofit, private rented via discretionary licensing, owner occupied via govt. funding

## **Business, public services and community**

Council's commercial rented property, SMEs, schools and young people, collaboration across public sector

## **Transport**

Local Transport Decarbonisation Plan, active travel, buses, EV chargers, new/smart technologies, push for rail improvements

## **Land and infrastructure**

Local Plan, Biodiversity Net Gain, flooding, energy infrastructure

## **Consumption and waste**

Waste Strategy, recycling service improvements, council waste, awareness of lower carbon dietary choices/options

## **Actions supporting the whole plan**

Communications, training, community and government engagement, partnership development, widening funding, adaptation updated risk assessment and review

# 86 new and ongoing actions including...

- Net Zero Delivery Plan for council's estate and operations, and £1.26M further investment
- Low carbon developments at Stocking Farm, Dock 3-5, Pilot House, Leicester Market
- Fuel Poverty Programme, Home Upgrade Grants and Warm Homes Surveys
- Around 900 energy saving measures in council housing (in year 1)
- Waste Strategy
- Recycling in Business Centres
- Flood alleviation projects
- EV Transition and Infrastructure Strategy
- Bus Service Improvement Plan
- Action guide for residents

# How the new plan is being developed



# Shaping the plan

Questionnaire survey until 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Views of public and organisations
Young people workshop	Young people's perspective on the issues
Climate Commission	Independent review of the proposals by panel of climate experts drawn from Leicester Environmental Experts Reference Group
Climate Emergency Partnership	Partner organisations review of proposals and ideas as a basis for collaboration towards shared climate goals
EDTCE Scrutiny Commission	Democratic scrutiny of proposals in public setting