

# Manchester Zero Carbon Communities Programme FAQ

## Q: What's the aim of the programme?

A: The Manchester Zero Carbon Communities Programme has been developed in response to the needs of Manchester's diverse communities.

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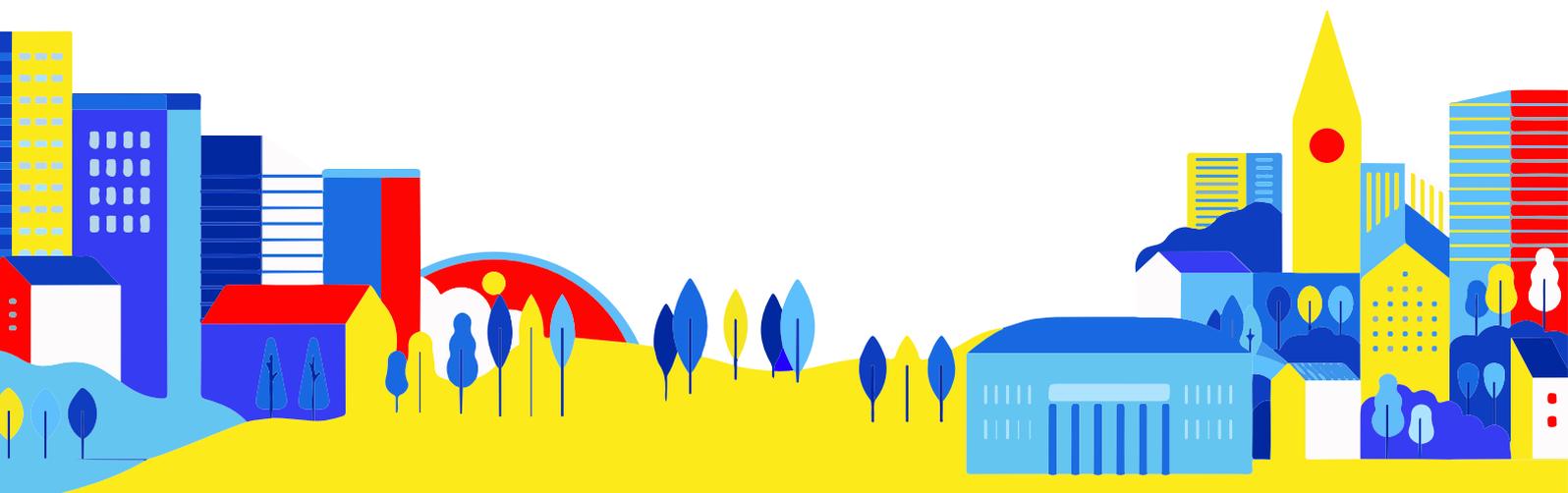
'Engage, empower, support, enable and inspire Manchester communities to take action to reduce their CO2 emissions by 50% over five years and increase their resilience to the changing climate, at the same time as helping them to achieve other local priorities.'

Our programme has been developed by the Manchester Zero Carbon Communities Partnership. The Partnership is made-up of six Core Partners, organisations with experience of developing and delivering local climate change, community and youth projects: Manchester Climate Change Agency (lead), Hubbub, Manchester City Council, and the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research at the University of Manchester, Amity and Commonplace.

The aim of the programme is to unlock the potential of Manchester residents and communities in responding to the climate emergency by trialling a series of local projects and running a city-wide communications campaign with the aim of creating a tried and tested toolkit of projects that can be scaled across the whole of Manchester and communities across the UK.

## Q: When will the programme be launching?

A: The programme will launch in May 2021 and run for a year.



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## Q: Who are the partners delivering the programme?

A: The programme is led by Manchester Climate Change Agency, environmental charity Hubbub, Manchester City Council with support from The Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, Amity CIC and of course Commonplace!

## Q: What sort of projects will you be running?

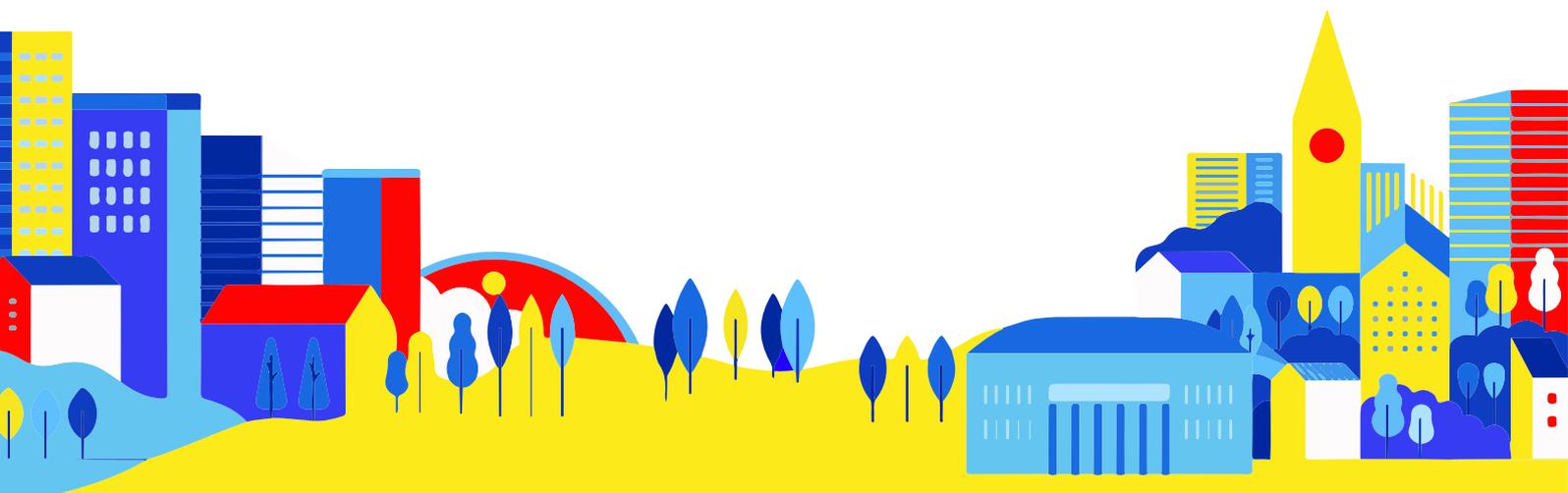
A: We're currently gathering insights to inform the projects that we'll be running to make sure that these respond to local needs and priorities. The projects will be designed to help residents save money, improve their health and wellbeing, strengthen community cohesion and resilience, make life easier and create more spaces for the community to enjoy.

## Q: Who are funding the campaign?

A: The National Lottery has awarded a development grant to the programme through its [Climate Action Fund](#). The programme is also funded by Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation, Wates Family Enterprise Trust and a coalition of corporate partners including the Co-op, Suntory Beverage Food GB&I (previously known as Lucozade Ribena Suntory) and Coca-Cola GB.

## Q: Which areas will the campaign be focusing on and why have these been chosen?

A: The programme will focus on the areas of Hulme, Moss Side and Rusholme, Newton Heath and Miles Platting, Levenshulme, and the Northern Quarter.



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Figure 1 : Map of neighbourhoods and groups.

#### Key

1. Levenshulme
2. Miles Platting and Newton Health and Creative Climate Resilience Project
3. Moss Side Climate Emergency Group
4. Hulme (My Wild Hulme)
5. Northern Quarter Action Group
6. Rusholme

Many communities across Manchester are starting to think about how to address the climate emergency and tackle climate change. We want to ensure that a diverse mix of communities have the opportunity it's to benefit from the support this campaign offers; we have been talking to a number of communities over the past year and a number have self-selected to be included in the programme. Because this is a development fund with limited funds we could not work with all of our communities across Manchester however we be sharing the learning from the project as we go along with all communities. We are also working with Chorlton Climate Action Network who also have a Lottery development fund.

**Q: I'm a Manchester resident. How can I share my views on what I'd like to see in my community?**

A: We'd love to hear your views on the campaign and what actions you'd be willing to take.

The best way to get in touch is to email [hello@manchesterclimate.com](mailto:hello@manchesterclimate.com)



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## Q: What targets have Manchester City Council set to respond to the Climate Emergency?

A: Manchester City Council declared a climate emergency in July 2019 and have set a target of making Manchester a zero-carbon city by 2038 or before – at least 12 years earlier than the national 2050 target. To achieve this citywide, emissions will need to reduce by 13 per cent every year until 2038. The Council has almost halved their own carbon emissions since the 2009/10 baseline – exceeding the ‘41% reduction by 2020’ target. To read more about what the Council is doing to tackle climate change [click here](#).

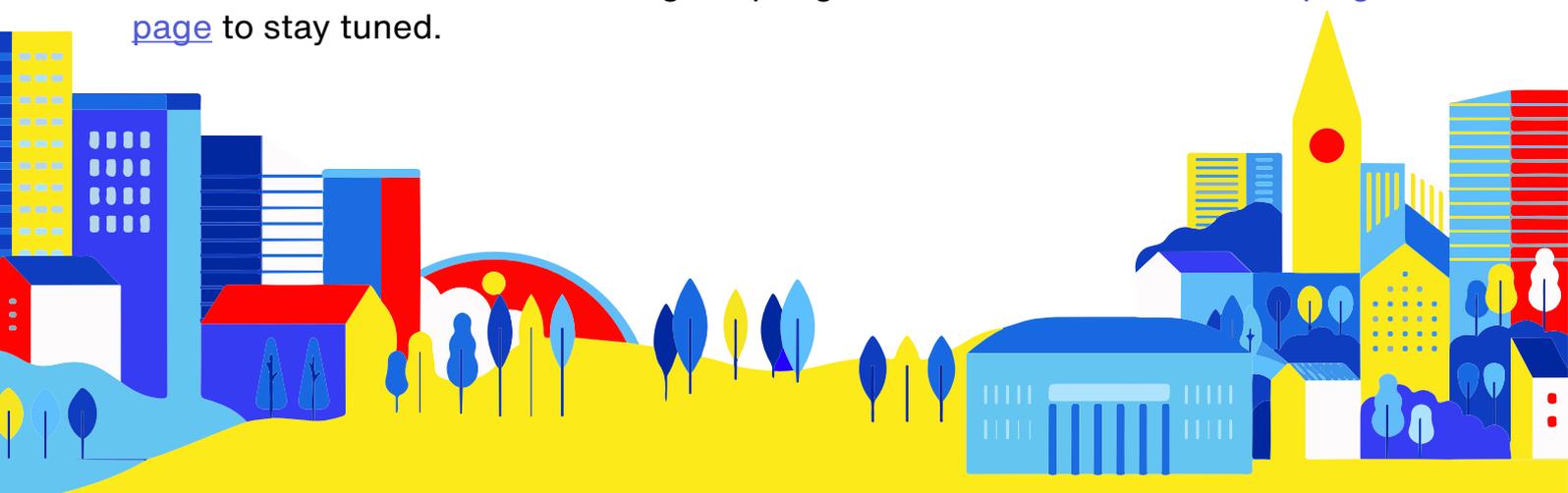
## Q: What opportunities will there be for residents to feed into the design of the campaign?

A: We’re aiming to involve residents in the design of the campaign throughout through surveys, focus groups, co-design workshops and more.

To make sure that communities and residents are at the heart of this programme we will be setting up a Community and Resident Board with representatives from across the communities involved who will be supported to help drive the campaign.

## Q: I’m a Manchester resident but don’t live in one of the target areas. How can I get involved?

A: We will be running a positive and playful city-wide communications campaign giving residents across the city practical steps that they can take to live more sustainable. This will be launching in Spring 2020. Visit this [Hubbub campaign page](#) to stay tuned.



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## Q: I'm a business. How can I get involved in the campaign?

A: We're bringing on board a coalition of local and national partners to make this a truly collaborative, cross-sector response to the climate emergency. To find out more please get in touch with [stine@hubbub.org.uk](mailto:stine@hubbub.org.uk)

## Q: Is there a campaign website that I can visit to find out more?

A: Yes – all information, updates and progress will be celebrated on this Commonplace. We'll also be sharing content on social media as the programme develops.

## Q: Where can I find out more about the Manchester Climate Change Agency?

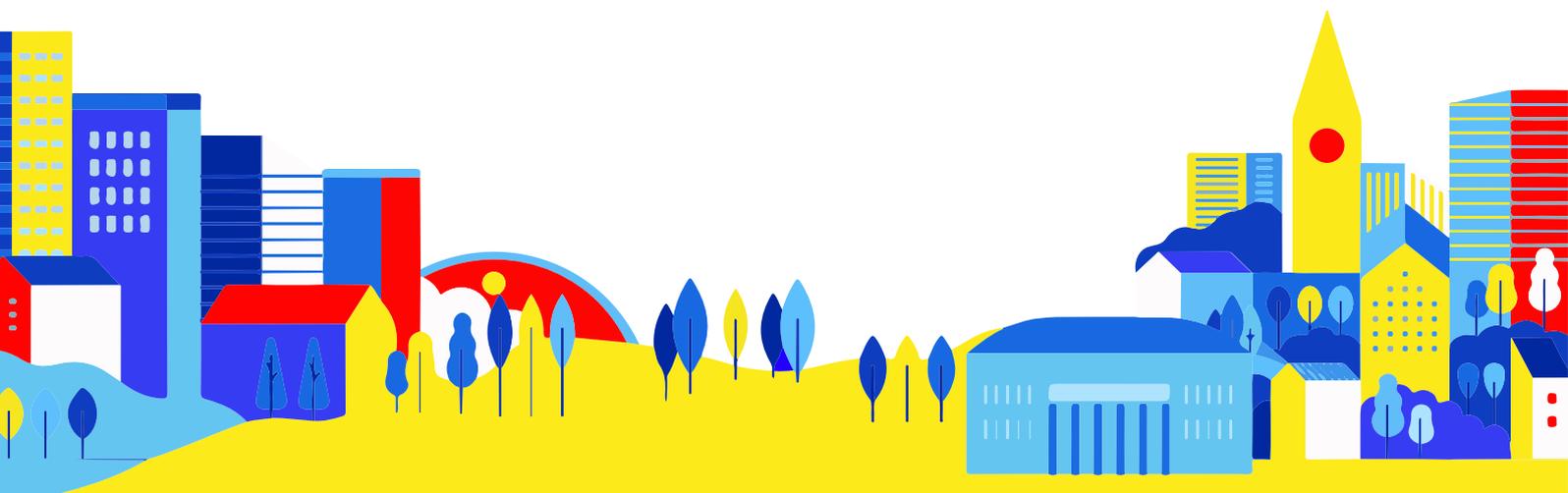
You can read more about the Manchester Climate Change Agency by visiting [www.manchesterclimate.com](http://www.manchesterclimate.com)

## Q: Where can I find out more about Hubbub?

A: You can read more about Hubbub and our current campaigns on [www.hubbub.org.uk](http://www.hubbub.org.uk)

## Q: Where can I find out more about Manchester City Council?

You can read more about the Manchester Climate Change Agency by visiting [https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/500002/council\\_policies\\_and\\_strategies/3833/climate\\_change/2](https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/500002/council_policies_and_strategies/3833/climate_change/2)



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**Q: Where can I find out more about the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research?**

You can read more about the Tyndall Centre by visiting [www.tyndall.ac.uk](http://www.tyndall.ac.uk)

**Q: Where can I find out more about Amity?**

You can read more about Amity by visiting [amitycic.com/about-us](http://amitycic.com/about-us)

