

ClimateReadyClyde

One year on...

Climate Ready Clyde is accelerating and strengthening Glasgow City Region's approach to adapting to climate change. In just over a year we have firmly established the initiative as part of the City Region's key activities.

We deliver value through partnership working and a collaborative approach. The Climate Ready Clyde initiative is funded by our member organisations and the Scottish Government, and delivered by a small secretariat based in Glasgow.

It's been a fantastic year for Climate Ready Clyde. We've moved from a strong idea to an initiative which has laid the groundwork for an inclusive, collaborative adaptation strategy for Glasgow City Region. Our activities also provide an overwhelming case for further collaboration, and the advantages organisations receive when they do.

Over the next 12 months, we will be looking to increase the number of organisations on our board. We will also be turning our understanding of climate change risks and opportunities into a strategic approach to action. If you're not already involved, I'd strongly encourage you to get in touch. If you are, then I look forward to continuing to work together to make the City Region a great place to live, work and do business in the face of climate change.

James C. Curran



80

Over 80 organisations engaged in a conversation about adaptation of the City Region

11

member organisations 'signed up' and on the Board

£4,5M

of wider research funding leveraged through positioning Glasgow City Region as a test-bed for adaptation research and innovation

54%

of members developing adaptation strategies with support from Climate Ready Clyde

£40,000

of funding secured for projects

70

documents reviewed in work to identify climate change impacts on Glasgow City Region



DELIVERING VALUE THROUGH PARTNERSHIP



Collaborating for change

To deliver on our ambition, we have built an effective set of governance and mechanisms in the past year, including:

- A Climate Ready Clyde Board to oversee development and delivery of the initiative, chaired by an independent climate change expert.
- Subgroups to provide a detailed steer on management, our approach to assessing risks and opportunities, and enhancing our impact and influence.
- An Advisory Board with members from practitioners cities, and adaptation experts to inform and challenge the City Region's approach to adaptation.
- A full time project manager and part time co-ordinator to lead the City Region's approach

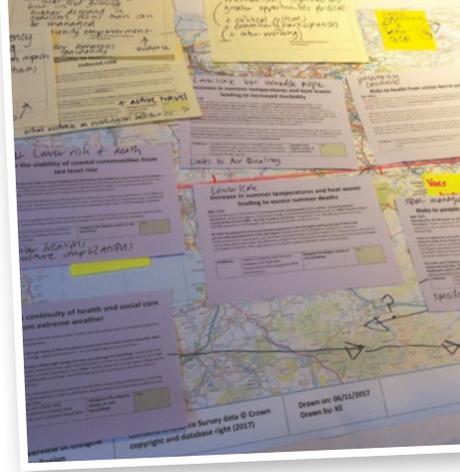
Building

shared understanding of climate change risks and opportunities

To underpin the Glasgow City Region Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan we are developing a climate risk and opportunity assessment:

- reviewing evidence of climate change impacts for different sectors in the City Region, and sharing the findings amongst members.
- developing and publicly consulting on an approach and methods for producing the first City Region risk and opportunity assessment in Scotland;

- developing draft climate change risk and opportunity registers for the City Region, in consultation with over 100 stakeholders;
- commissioning new evidence on the benefits to GDP, GVA and jobs from a well adapted City Region.



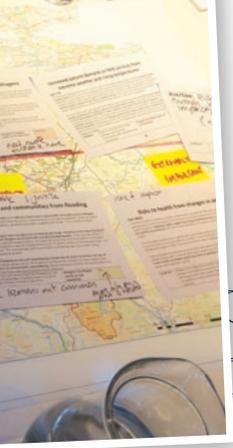
Developing

capacity and providing technical guidance

To deliver a successful city region adaptation strategy those involved need capacity and skills. We have:

- Supported five members in developing their own complementary adaptation strategies.
- 20 representatives from 10 City Region organisations trained in adaptation skills and competencies including the business case for action, evidence on impacts and world-leading approaches.
- Drafted business case guidance for Glasgow City Region City Deal projects, and provided support for organisations to implement it.
- Developed and piloted a tool for embedding adaptation in major projects for use by project managers and adaptation specialists.
- Run training on Climate justice and the new projections of future flood disadvantage.





What we will do next

Over the next year we will finalise the risk and opportunity assessment and begin discussions on the further actions needed to adapt the city region. Alongside this, we will accelerate adaptation in Glasgow City Region by:

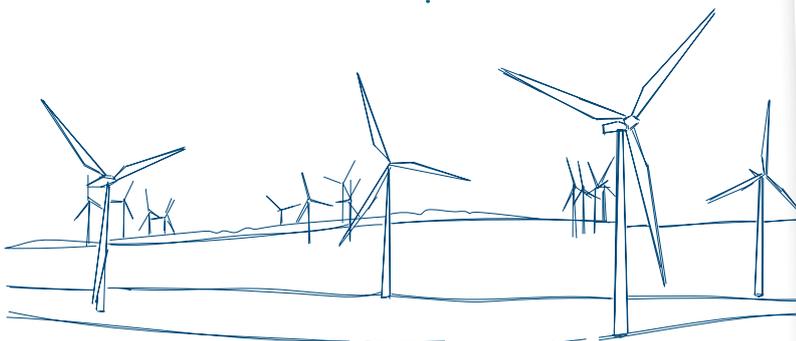
- informing the Second Scottish Climate Change Adaptation Programme, revisions to public sector reporting duties, and the new Adaptation Scotland Programme;
- supporting members to develop adaptation strategies and other related strategies and plans to embed adaptation at all governance levels;
- working with members to identify and deliver priorities for further technical support and guidance; and
- reviewing the initiative's governance so we are effective in delivering for our members.

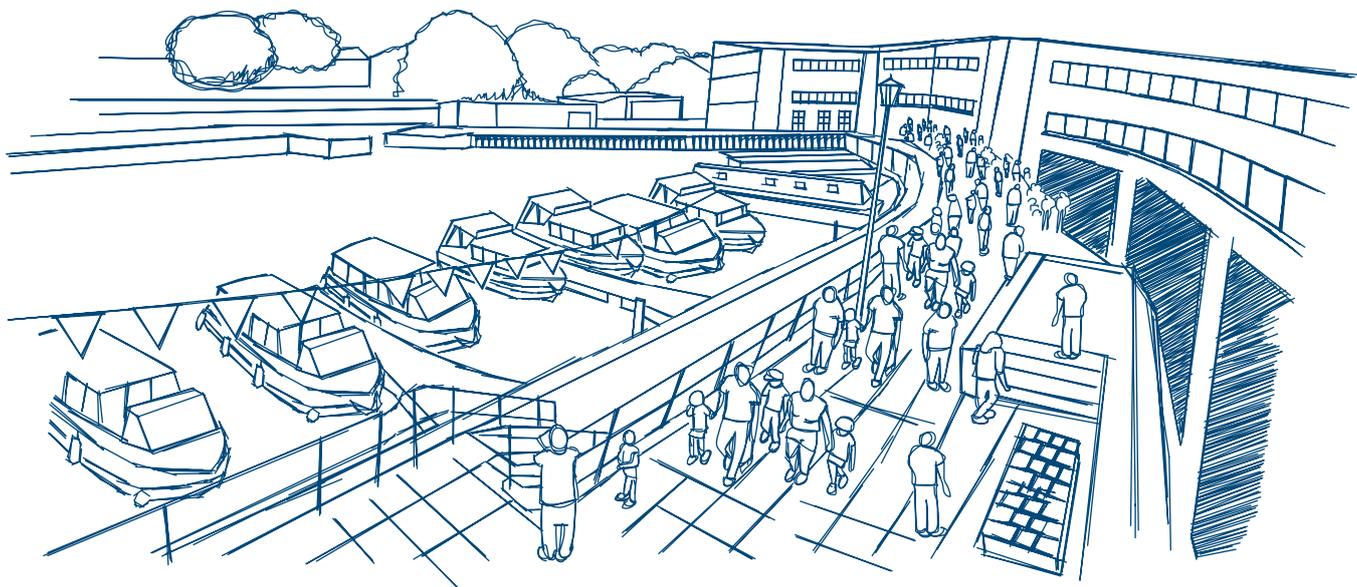
Accelerating

impact, influencing others and raising awareness about climate risks and opportunities

Alongside our core work, we want to create a much broader conversation about climate change risks and opportunities to the City Region, and we've been a strong advocate for City Region adaptation. We've also engaged on the international stage to influence and learn from world-leading approaches, positioning Glasgow City Region at the forefront of adaptation practice:

- Representation on the Land Use and Sustainability Portfolio of Glasgow City Region City Deal.
- Developing a new website to launch early in 2018, and growing our Twitter profile to over **155** followers.
- Providing members with materials to engage employees, stakeholders and the public on adaptation, including a 25 minute documentary on climate impacts in Scotland, promotional postcards and a portable exhibition.
- Become the first City Region in the UK to be involved in developing and piloting emerging ISO standards on adaptation.
- Showcasing Climate Ready Clyde to over **1,000** leaders in business, civil society and governments at five high profile domestic, national and international events, including the COP23 UN climate change talks and the arctic circle conference.





About Climate Ready Clyde

Climate Ready Clyde is a cross-sector initiative funded by the Scottish Government and 11 member organisations to create a shared vision, strategy and action plan for an adapting Glasgow City Region.

1.8 million people live, work and play in the Glasgow City Region and a large number of businesses and organisations are based here, with **£40bn of GVA – a third of Scotland’s population and wealth.** Increasingly they are impacted by the effects of climate change, both directly in the City Region, and from changes happening around the world.

Adaptation is a strategic issue for the City Region in terms of securing inward investment and protecting the economy, as well as contributing to good place making, addressing inequality and minimising and avoiding costs arising from unplanned impacts. Climate Ready Clyde was established on the basis that **adapting is cheaper, easier and more effective when done together.**

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