

## Net Zero Innovation Programme – application questions

Delivered in collaboration between the Local Government Association (LGA) and University College London (UCL), the Net Zero Innovation Programme brings councils and universities together to develop a practical project to address local net zero challenges. You do not need to have a university or council partner agreed to apply, but it is strongly encouraged.

Over a period of 12 months the Net Zero Innovation Programme will provide up to ten pairings of councils and universities with up to £18,000 in funding support to develop and deliver innovative projects to tackle net zero challenges in their local area. Projects should draw on practical challenges being faced by the local authority and/or addressed by research as well as the skills and experience of both parties to develop mechanisms and solutions. For example, projects could seek to tackle green infrastructure, reduce car use, retrofit buildings, engage local communities in climate challenges, increase recycling or reskill local residents. Projects should be achievable and able to deliver some outcomes within a period of six months from January to June 2021. Applications will be assessed on suitability and variety of topic, achievability, inclusivity, co-production and willingness for partnership working, variety of region and political leadership.

UCL and the LGA are committed to increasing the diversity and inclusivity of our activities. We encourage people from under-represented groups (eg BAME, LGBTQ+ or disabled) to apply. We will strive to support accessibility needs where possible.

If you have any questions whilst completing the application, please refer to the LGA and UCL webpages which include a series of frequently asked questions, or you can email [climate@local.gov.uk](mailto:climate@local.gov.uk) or [k.welch@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:k.welch@ucl.ac.uk)

1. Date
2. I am applying as:
  - a. a council and university applying together
  - b. a council applying alone
  - c. a university applying alone

### Applicants

3. Lead Applicant Name
4. Organisation
5. Job title
6. Email
7. Telephone number
  
8. Co-applicant Name
9. Organisation
10. Job title

11. Email
12. Telephone number

#### Challenge Proposal

13. Outline your council's challenge and how you would seek to address this through a short project. Please note: if you are a university applying individually, please put 'N/A' for this question.
14. Outline how your research can contribute to addressing a council's climate challenge. Please note if you are a local authority applying individually put N/A for this question
15. How will you measure the success of outcomes from your participation in the Net Zero Innovation Programme for the council, university and local area?
16. Please provide the names, job titles and email addresses of the Council and University Senior Responsible Officers (SRO) for this project. Please note: If you are applying without a partner, there is no need to include the details of an SRO from the other organisation.

#### Confirmations

17. Please tick the boxes below to confirm you understand the requirements of this programme

I/we will be available to participate in all the prescribed activities as part of the network

I/we have support to participate in the programme from my Chief Executive or Head of Department/Faculty

I/we will work in partnership with a university/council for the duration of the programme

I/we will participate in the 'further support' sessions to enable dissemination of the programme

I/we will participate in the creation of publicly available outputs through the programme