

The 10 AGMA authorities and Climate Change

Council “Gross Value Added” Population	Council Leader (party) Chief Exec	Results of web search into their climate projects (*) They might be doing stuff they're not mentioning on their website. And this is changing week by week. For more info, see their respective websites. Manchester Climate Fortnightly will try to keep tabs on this...	Comments
Bolton £3.73bn 263,717	Cliff Morris (Labour) Sean Harriss	The council has adopted an Environment Strategy which sets targets for improvements by 2011. (published in 2006) Non specific targets. Climate Change not a high priority for the council	
Bury £1.97bn 184,139	Bob Bibby (Conservative) Mark Sanders	<p>Bury has a climate change strategy (no date when written) Bury MBC therefore commits to work towards achieving a reduction in corporate greenhouse gas emissions of a further 28% by 2010. This will achieve an overall reduction on 1990 emission levels of around 50% by 2010.</p> <p>The Climate Change Strategy for Bury includes information on international and national commitments to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and how Bury is working towards local reduction in emissions.</p> <p>Download the Climate Change Strategy on this page: www.bury.gov.uk/Environment/ClimateChange/aclimatechangestrategyforbury.htm</p>	
Manchester £12.15bn 464,359	Sir Richard Leese (Labour) Sir Howard Bernstein	Obviously the principles document and a strategy forthcoming. Various other bits that are in a separate document...	
Oldham £2.74bn 220,406	David Jones (Labour) Andrew Kilburn	has signed up to the Nottingham Declaration and recognises that Climate Change is likely to be one of the key drivers of change within our community this century. The council will use this opportunity to lead the response at a local level to help in playing a major role in delivering the national Climate Change programme. The council has developed a Carbon Management Action Plan to achieve a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from our own operations, specifically energy sourcing and use, street lighting, travel and transport.	With Stockport, CEO is involved in setting up Environment Commission/Climate Change Agency
Rochdale £2.73bn 207,762	Alan Taylor (Lib Dems) Roger Ellis	<p>Tackling climate change in Rochdale borough The Council is committed to tackling climate change and has signed up to the Manchester Is My Planet project and The North West Climate Change Pledge. They have developed their own Carbon Management Action Plan (CMAP) to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from their buildings, vehicle fleet, street lighting and in the goods and services they buy.</p> <p>Work is also progressing to involve local organisations in activity towards climate change, especially Housing</p>	

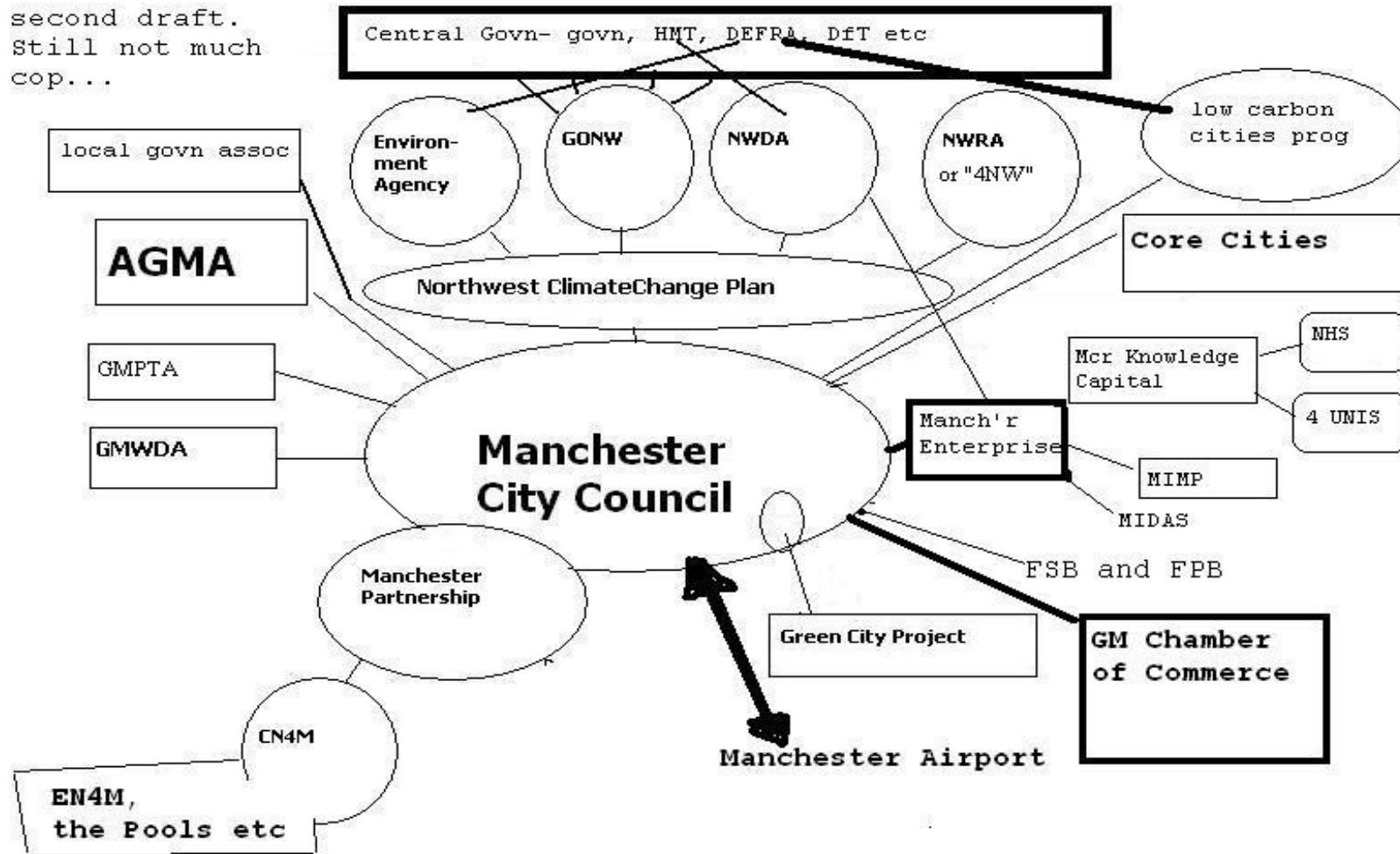
		<p>Associations and housebuilders in low carbon buildings and integrating renewable technologies such as solar thermal panels. Our planning policies are being changed to reflect the need for action, including new design guidance, and other key strategies and programmes are being influenced to ensure that they contribute towards the challenge, including Transport, Housing, Economic, and Health strategies.</p> <p>Action is not just taking place to prevent climate change but also to adapt to the change which is already likely to happen, especially to mitigate against increased rainfall through flood prevention schemes, sustainable urban drainage systems, and planning policies towards new development.</p> <p>This is not just a Council process: local groups, businesses and organisations from the public, private, voluntary and community sectors have been active partners. The local community has also been involved in establishing the Council's priorities for action through consultation forums such as the townships, tenants and residents associations and youth forums.</p>	
Salford £4.26bn 219,560	John Merry (Labour) Barbara Spicer	<p>Salford has a green issues page on website – no specific mention of climate change</p> <p>Here you will find links to green issues and other matters that focus on the environment of Salford including planning policies, Agenda 21, air quality management, energy advice and recycling. http://www.salford.gov.uk/living/green.htm</p> <p>Salford City Council joined a national programme to help cut its energy bills by around 20 per cent — which could save up to £500,000 a year. The Local Authorities Carbon Management programme run by the Carbon Trust will help the council to identify areas where changes can be made to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from council buildings, street lighting and its day-to-day operations. Meanwhile, as part of a general climate change initiative the council will be working with local businesses and residents to reduce emissions from houses, transport and in the workplace. CRAINS 27 May</p>	
Stockport £4.33bn 280,308	Dave Goddard (Liberal Dems) John Schultz	<p>Has general blurb on climate change</p> <p>'If you are interested to see just how you can make a difference visit the Council's energy efficiency web pages (see 'Related Items') or, try contacting the Energy Saving Trusts ACT ON CO2 Advice Line on 0800 512012 or visit their website (see 'Related Links') – a one stop shop for free, tailored, impartial advice from the Energy Saving Trust on how to reduce your carbon footprint.'</p>	With Oldham, CEO is involved in setting up Environment Commission/Climate Change Agency
Tameside £2.54bn 214,733	Roy Oldham (Labour) Janet Callender	<p>An Energy Panel has been set up to monitor Council activities to reduce energy consumption and the related carbon emissions i.e. switching lights and equipment off when not in use, etc.</p> <p>The panel is being chaired by the Executive Leader of the Council, Cllr Roy Oldham and is made up of seven members. The Council has developed and adopted a Carbon Management Strategy, which outlines the actions it will undertake over the coming years.</p> <p>The panel had its first meeting on 8th March 2007 and a decision was taken to sign the Nottingham declaration on climate change.</p>	
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<p>Wigan £3.45bn 308,002</p>	<p>Peter Smith (Labour) Joyce Redfearn</p>	<p>Wigan Council takes its leadership obligations on climate change very seriously. We aim to reduce our energy use, lessen our impact on the environment and work with our partners to help make Wigan borough a place where people want to live.</p> <p>Our five year carbon management plan (pdf, 495kb), developed in partnership with the Carbon Trust could save up to £10million and halve projected CO2 emissions by 2011. The council is also signatory to the Nottingham Declaration on Climate Change pledging local action on carbon emissions. www.wigan.gov.uk/Services/Environment/SustainableDevelopment/CarbonManagement.htm</p>	

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- websearch conducted end of April 2008

second draft.
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If it looks like a bit of a mess, it's cos it reflects real life*...

This draft was done a few months ago, so doesn't include the various commissions or the Manchester Climate Change Agency.

But then, right now (early Sept 08) they don't actually exist.

This scheme will be tarted up and put on-line with click throughs, but no promises when.

*http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/On_Exactitude_in_Science