

UK100 in 2022

From declaration
to delivery:

Our plans for the
year ahead



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We're delighted to share our plans for 2022 as our network moves from declaration to delivery. Read an overview of the year ahead [here](#), then get your diaries ready for our 2022 calendar [below](#).

We head into 2022 with a strong hand. Our members achieved a lot in 2021 and there was some encouraging progress from the UK government on supporting the potential for local climate action to become a reality:



93 local authorities across the UK committed to meet Net Zero at least five years earlier than the UK's target. 49 UK100 members signed up to the UNFCCC Race To Zero campaign.



At our International Net Zero Local Leadership Summit & Conference in July, local leaders from across the UK made the case for greater partnership with the UK government in the push to Net Zero. Three months later, the government drew on this recommendation in its Net Zero Strategy.



The UN recognised the power of local and regional governments in getting the world to Net Zero. The “urgent need for multilevel action and collaboration” is etched into the Glasgow Climate Pact.



Read more in our [State of the Network Report 2021](#).



In 2022, building on our Power Shift report, we'll work hard with our members to ensure the government understands the powers local authorities need to deliver a place-based transition to Net Zero.

As we brief politicians in Westminster on those powers, back home our members will shift from declaration to delivery. Our Local Power In Action and Climate Leadership Academy projects will support that delivery, while our members will start to report their emission reductions.

Alongside our annual summit in the summer, we'll also be holding quarterly knowledge sharing events and regular meetings for the APPGs on Sustainable Finance and Air Pollution.

Only with local and central government working side by side can the economic benefits of meeting Net Zero become reality. We look forward to what 2022 will bring as we continue to build that partnership.



The UK100 2022 calendar:

Headline activities

Local Power in Action:

March 2022 - February 2023

We'll deploy our team of "political pathfinders" into four local authorities to provide insights that enable local leaders to make remarkable progress towards their organisation's Net Zero goals. The programme will then be captured as best practice.

Local Net Zero Delivery Summit

Summer 2022

Our annual Local Net Zero Summit will focus on the shift from declaration of intent to taking ambitious action on climate and the environment by our members.

Climate Leadership Academy

September - November 2022

A unique training programme for ambitious but inexperienced elected climate pioneers of local government. It will include a series of tailored residential workshops and coaching from cross-sector experts.

Research, events and activities

Throughout 2022:

- We'll be working with our members to form a **formal policy working group**. It will act as a 'brains trust' on the challenges and opportunities thrown up by the local transition to Net Zero.
- **Air pollution:** We'll be working with our members to call for high standards on air quality and more power for local authorities to take action in a new national clean air strategy.
- Quarterly knowledge sharing events.
- Quarterly meetings for the **Countryside Climate Network**.
- Three meetings for the **APPG on Sustainable Finance**, and three for the **APPG on Air Pollution**.

January - February:

- **Local Climate Engagement** (January 2022 - March 2023): We're working with experts to help local authorities plan, commission and deliver high quality public engagement in their climate decision-making. [Learn more](#).
- Report on the opportunity presented by the retrofit of social housing.
- Set of detailed briefings on local authority powers covering energy, transport, and retrofit.

March - April:

- **Local Power in Action** kicks off (see headline activities).
- As it becomes mandatory for the UK's largest businesses to disclose climate-related risks and opportunities, we'll be hosting a roundtable on crowding-in investment for local Net Zero.
- Briefing candidates in the local elections.

May - June:

- **Our first UK100 roadshow** meeting up with our membership around the country.
- A progress report on the delivery and efficacy of new policy on local Net Zero.
- Engaging with newly-elected council leaders after the local elections.

September - October:

- **Climate Leadership Academy** kicks off (see headline activities).
- We'll be at all the 2022 autumn **party conferences** communicating with members and MPs.

November - December:

- An end of year report on local Net Zero launched at a Parliament reception.



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