

# Community Renewable Energy Framework



**The Community Renewable Energy Framework will help communities explore opportunities for community renewable energy projects in their neighbourhood.**

This document describes the importance of community energy for the city and for local communities and explains how you can get involved.



### **What is Community Renewable Energy?**

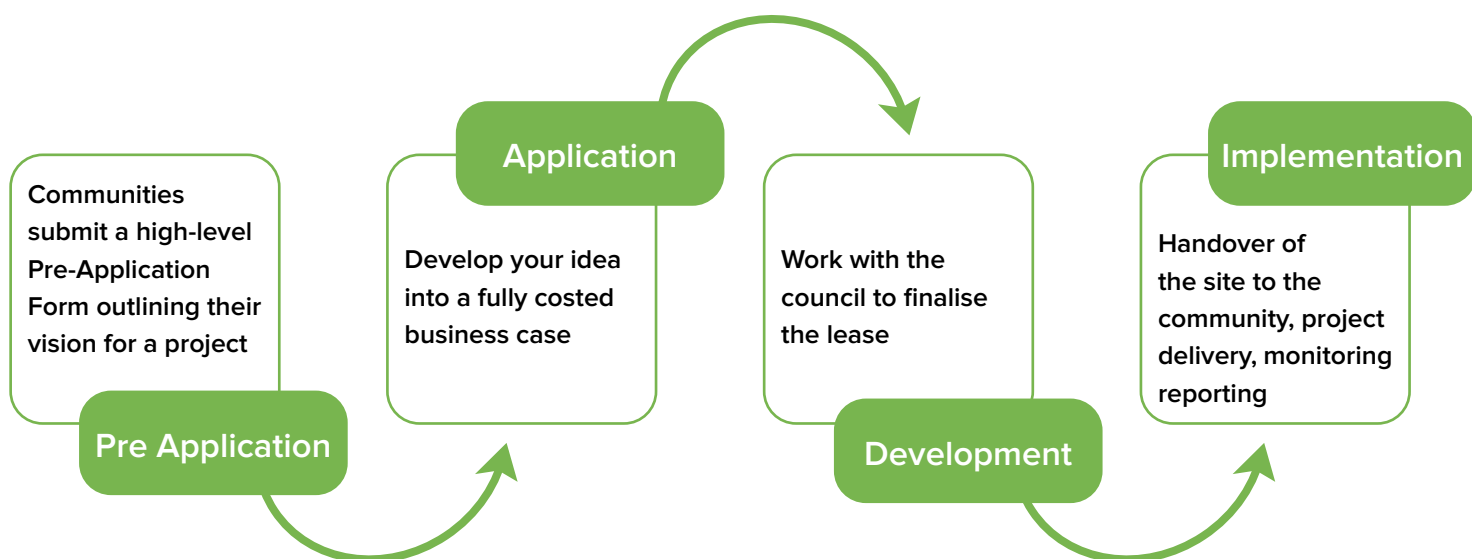
- Community renewable energy means creating renewable energy close to where it will be used with the resulting benefits returned to the community. It is led by the community for the community, ensuring that local needs are addressed
- Community led projects are one way to increase the levels of renewable energy generation across the city. Renewable energy will help to reduce emissions by stopping burning fossil fuels for energy. Reducing emissions will help to fight climate change and reach the City's Net Zero target in 2030
- As well as helping the city, community renewable energy can bring benefits to the local community. Money generated from these projects can be used for community improvement and the project itself can help with community connections, benefiting all involved.

The Community Renewable Energy Framework (CREF) provides a framework for Communities to follow as they move through from project design to delivery.

It aims to remove some of the typical barriers experienced by communities in the development of renewable energy projects and provide clarity and guidance on how to navigate the required steps in the process.



The framework is a four-step process as shown below.



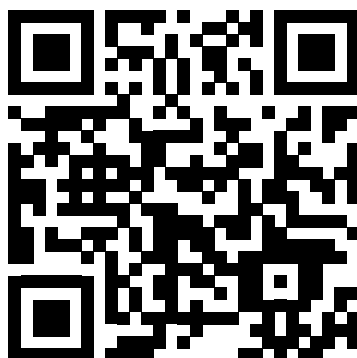


As part of the CREF, potential sites for community renewable energy projects have been identified across the city, and these are the starting point for anyone interested in using the framework to develop a community renewable energy project.

This framework will guide communities through the process of developing renewable community energy projects on council owned or managed land within the city.



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