



Delivering Heat

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Local Heat & Energy Efficiency Strategy

*Provide a focus for Fife to improve the energy efficiency and decarbonise heat sources of buildings in a climate friendly, ready, and **just manner** to meet targets.*

1. Being **Climate** Friendly & Ready
2. Tackling **Fuel Poverty**, Health, and the Just Transition
3. Supporting an **Inclusive Economy**, Jobs, and Skills
4. Maximising **Knowledge** and Awareness
5. Ensuring **Certainty** of Success
6. Transitioning the **Energy** System
7. Improving the Energy **Efficiency** of Buildings
8. **Decarbonising** Heat Sources

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Our Climate
Matters

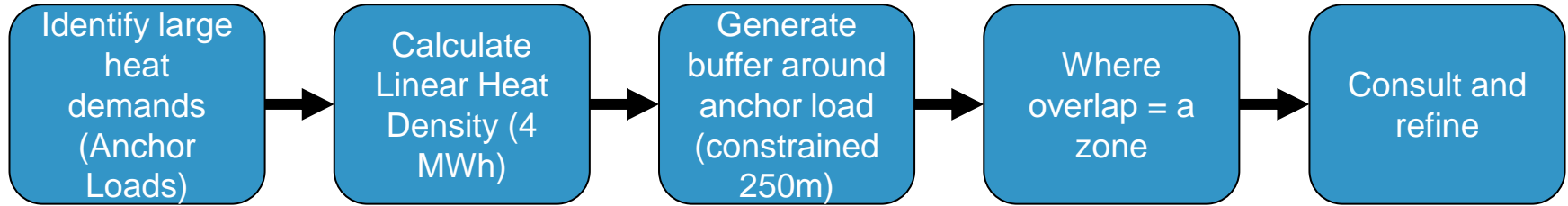
A Just Transition – Backbone of Fife’s LHEES

How can we:

- bring everyone along with us on this journey to decarbonise heat?
- ensure we only have positive impacts on communities/build community wealth?
- ensure fuel bills do not increase and fuel poverty is reduced?
- Find solutions for conservation areas and historic buildings?
- minimise “heat deserts” – areas with no decarbonised heating solution

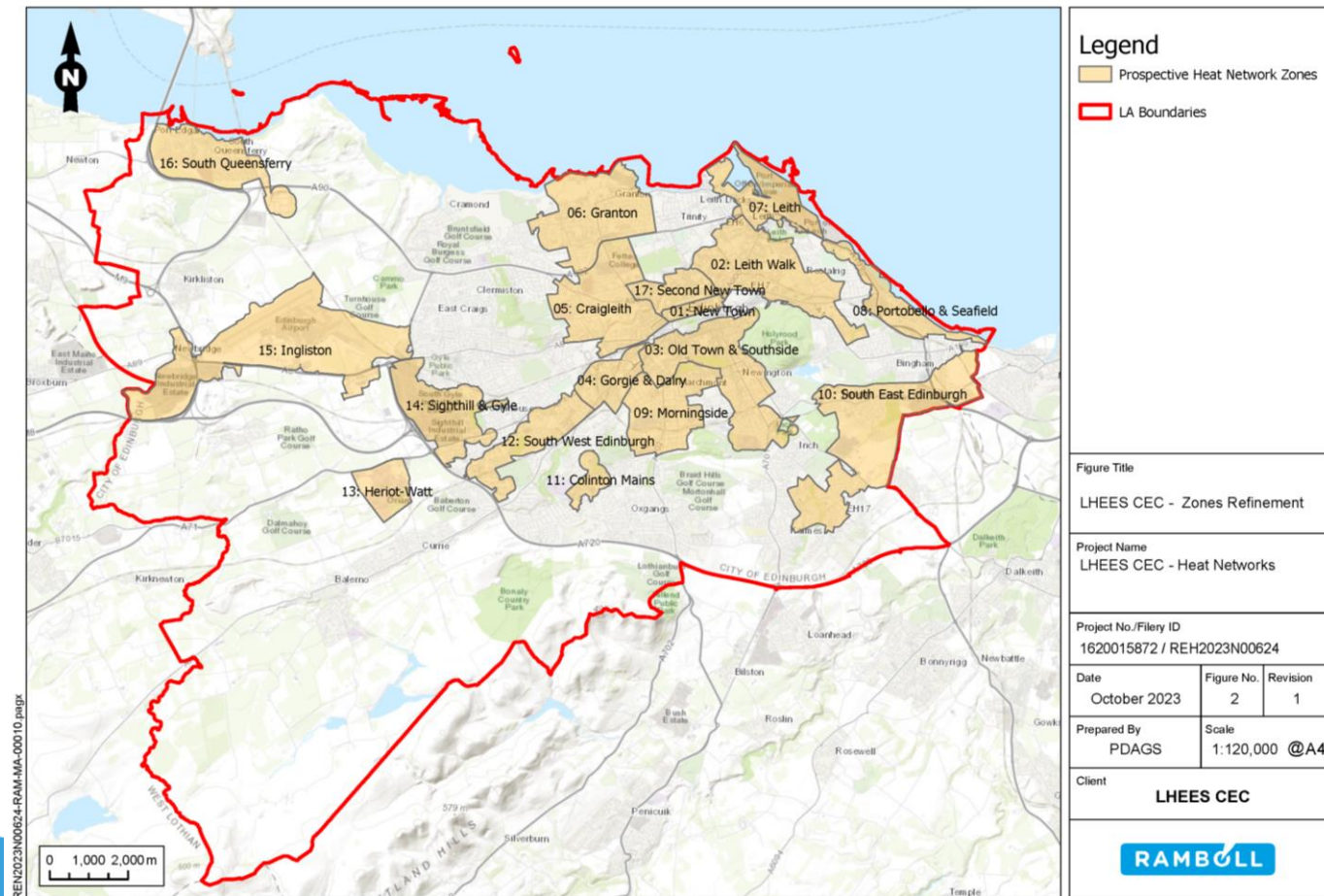
Zoning

LHEES approach:



- Strong focus on maximising commerciality
- Risk of cherry picking
- Dependent on location of large non-domestic heat demands
- Large areas of housing often excluded
- Heat “islands” and “deserts” outside of largest cities...

Heat Continents...



Legend

- Prospective Heat Network Zones
- LA Boundaries

Figure Title
LHEES CEC - Zones Refinement

Project Name
LHEES CEC - Heat Networks

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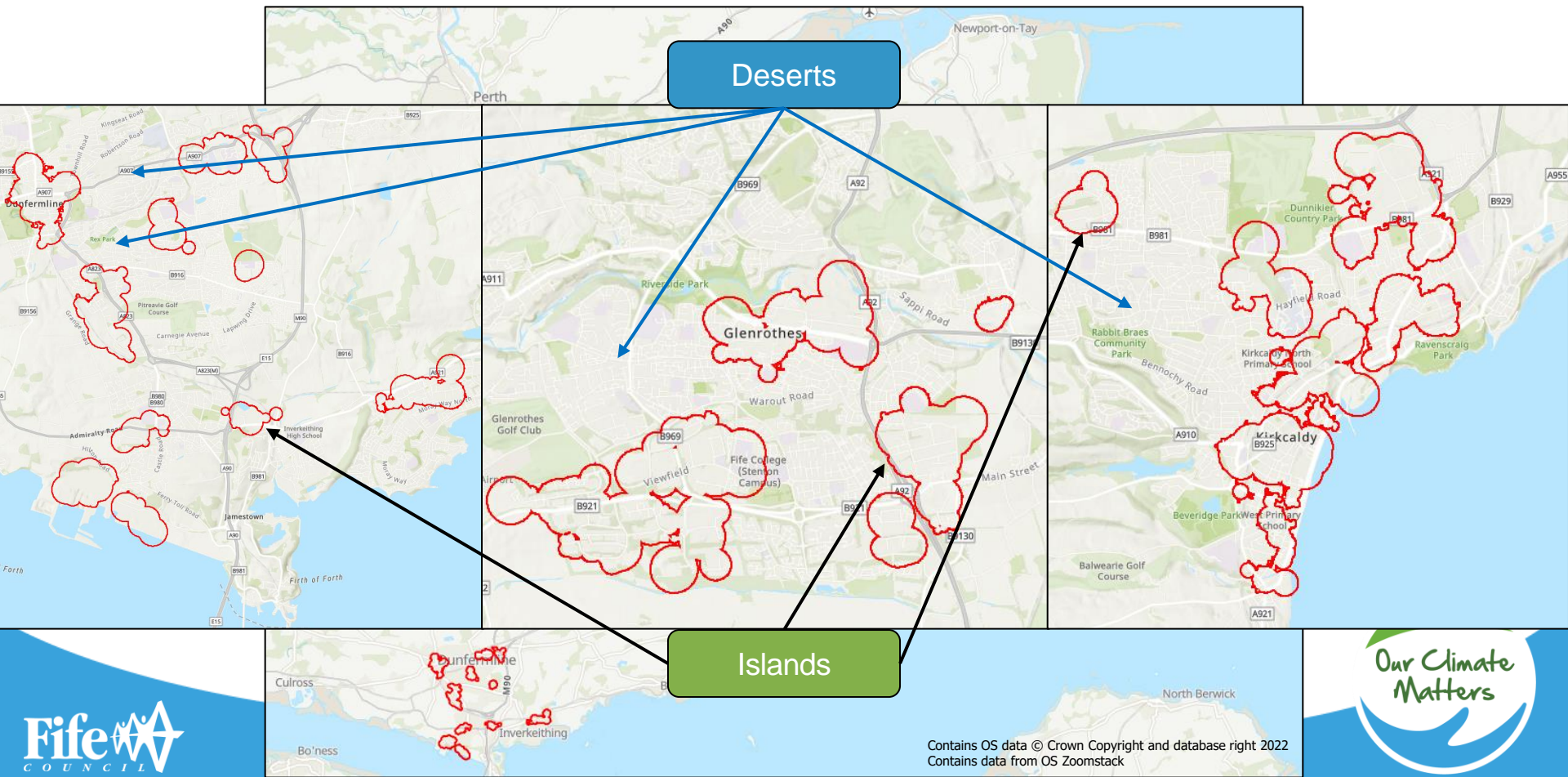
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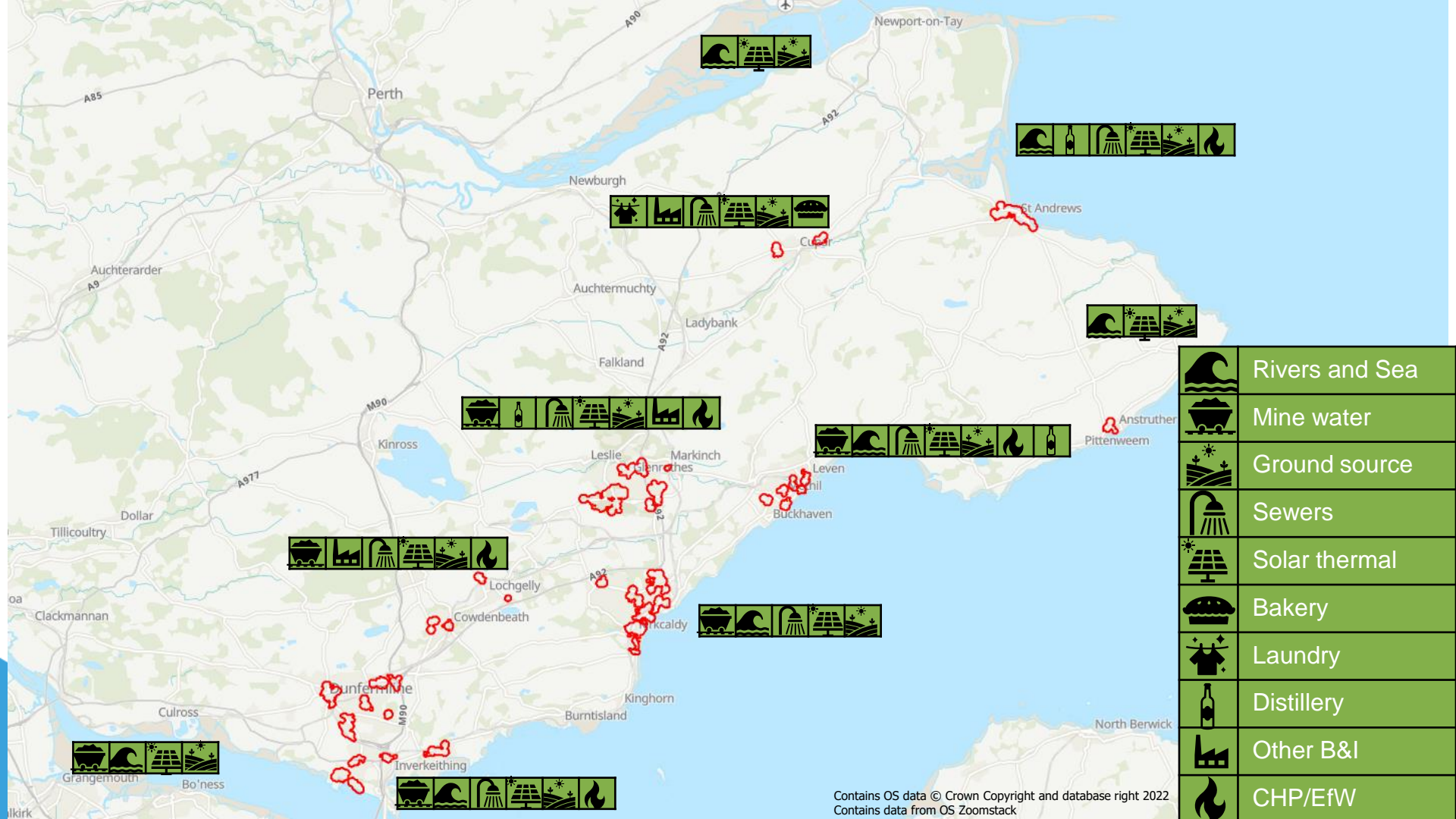
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Heat Islands & Deserts...

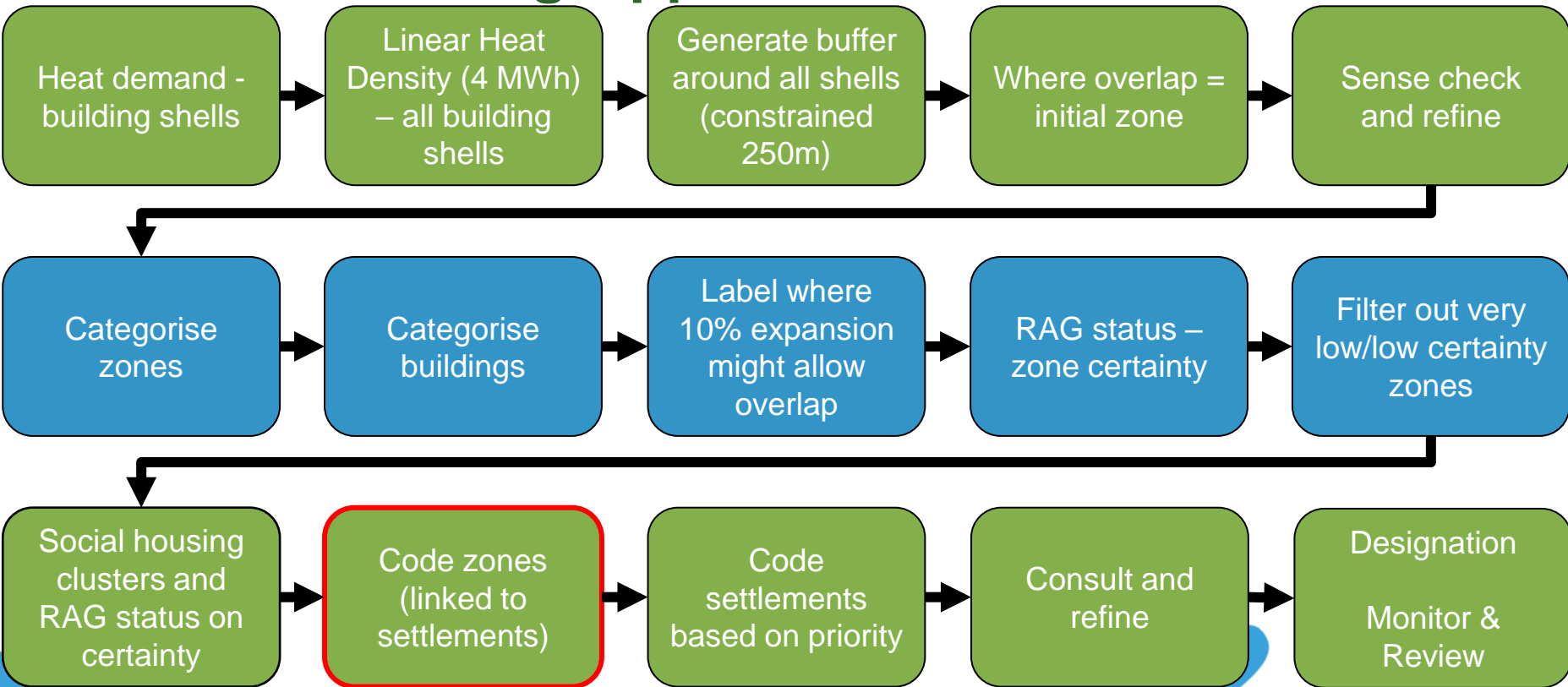




Summary of issues

- High number of homes outside of zones with no decarbonised heating solution
- High number but relatively small zones
- Heat network operators told us they want settlement level opportunities.
- Other issue = data uncertainties/gaps meant we cannot be sure air source heat pumps would not increase fuel bills for homes – fuel poverty risk
- Needed solution for identifying large-scale heat network zones

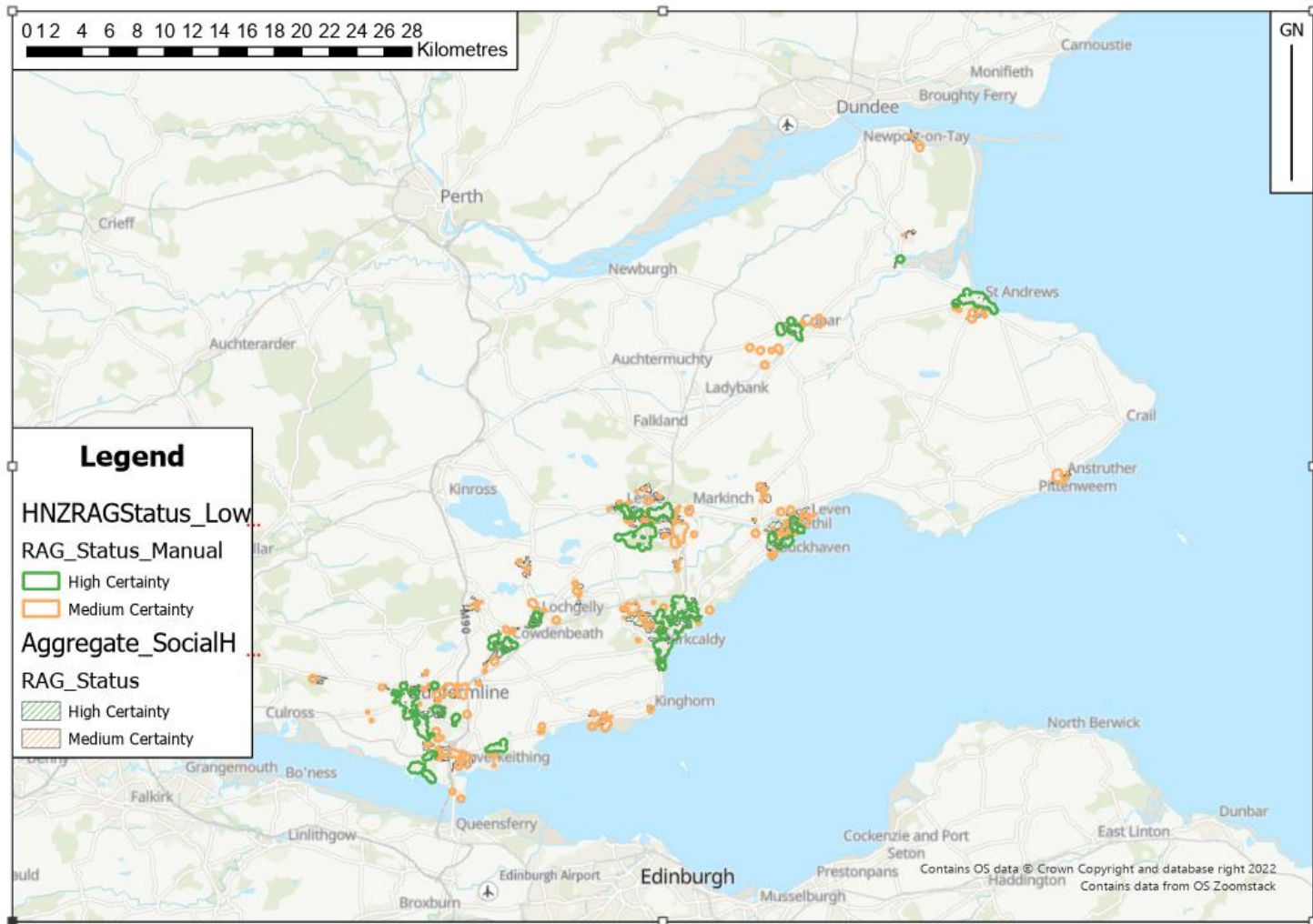
Fife's New Zoning Approach



The result

Amended
potential heat
network zones

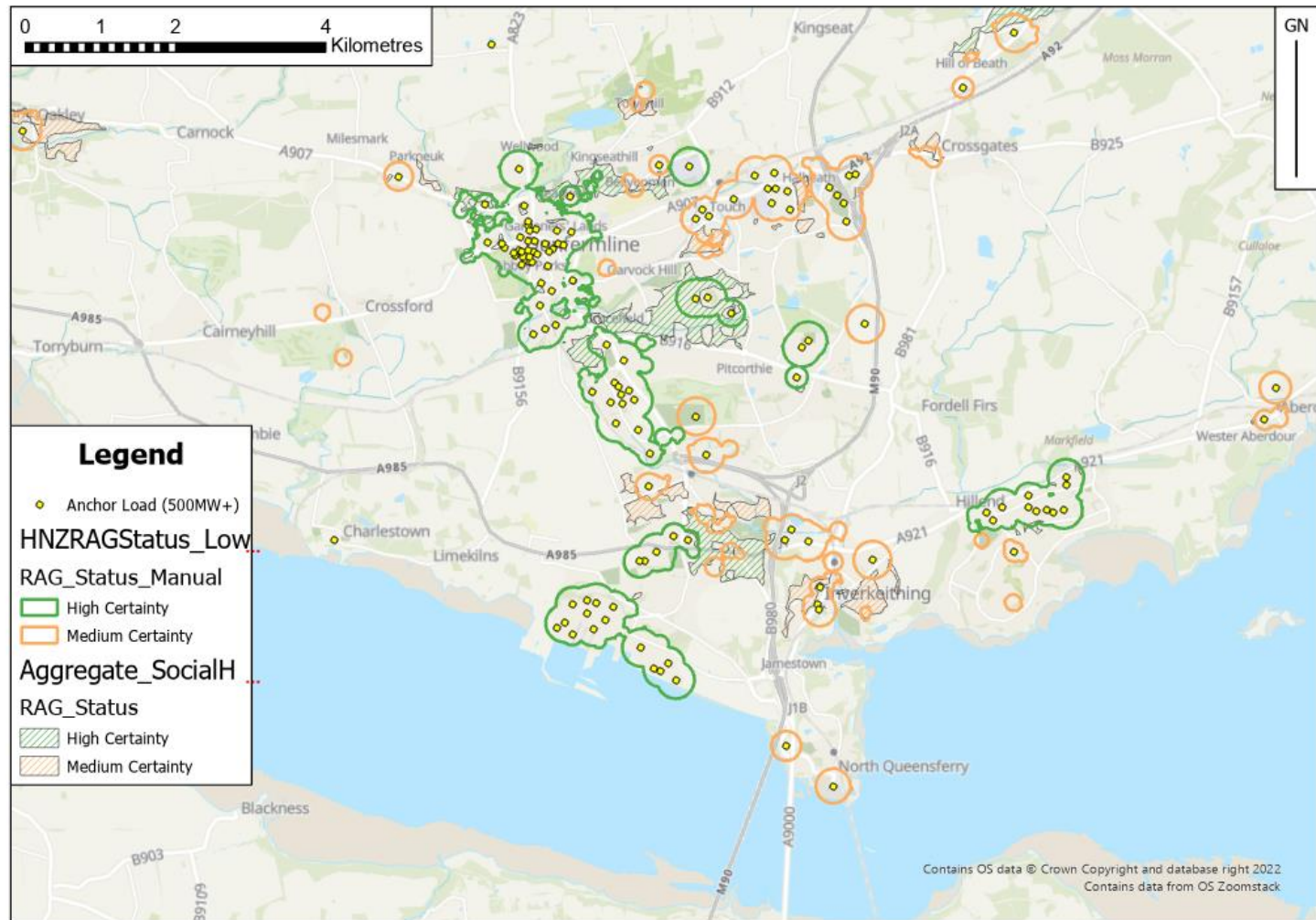
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Dunfermline Rosyth

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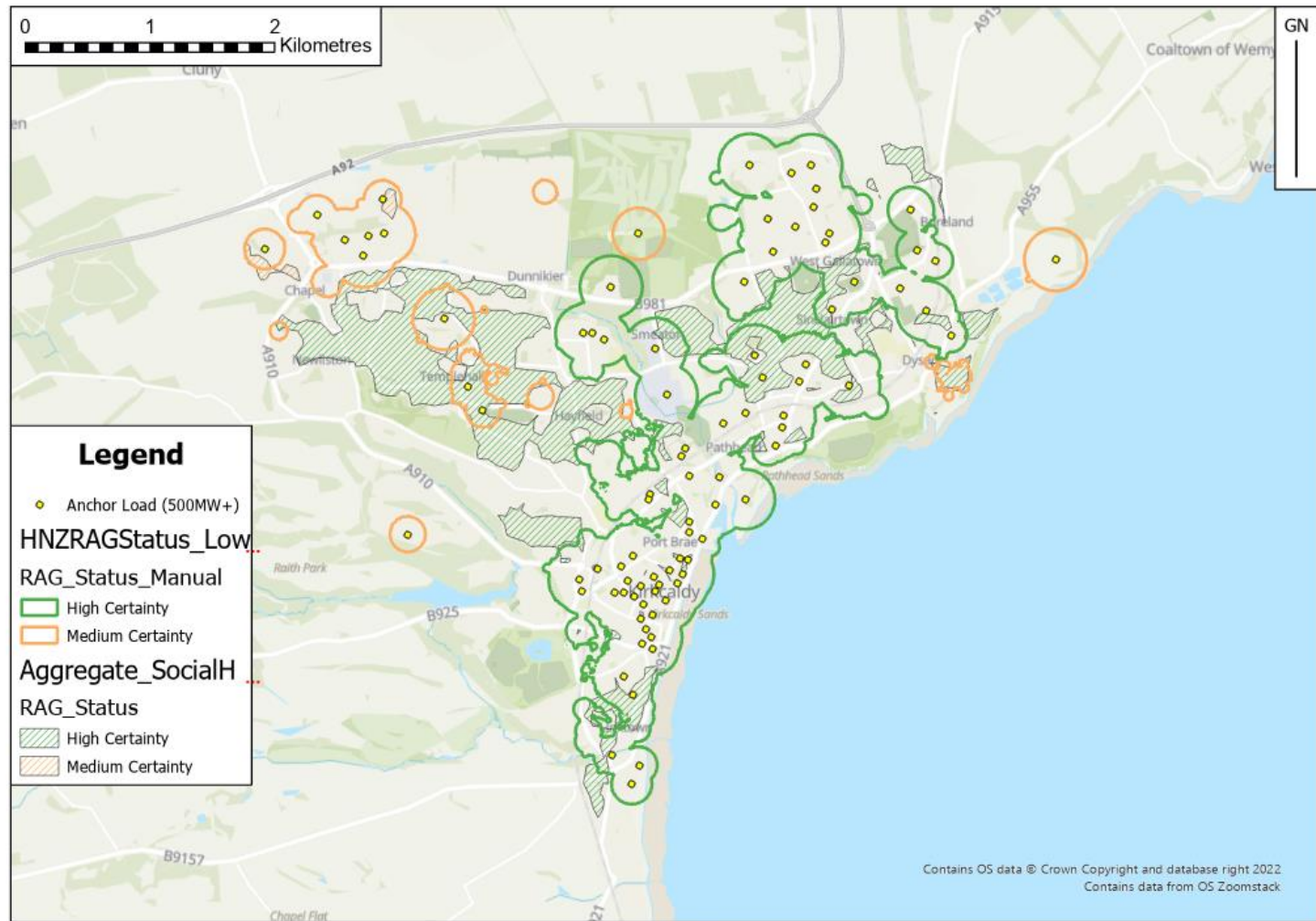
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Kirkcaldy

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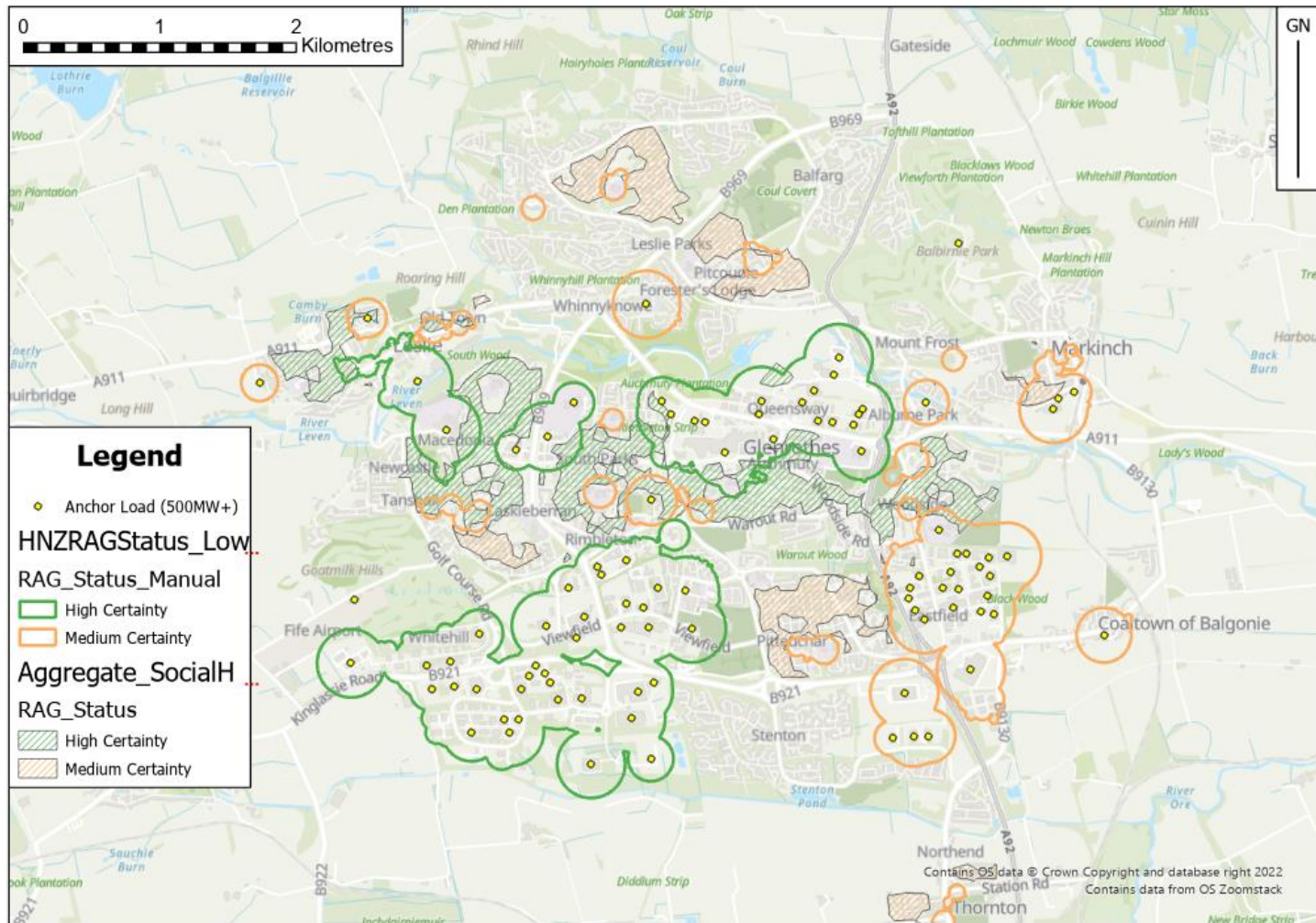
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Glenrothes

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Questions – and how we are answering them

- What are wider energy infrastructure projects/needs; how impact/support heat networks?
- What is the best approach to deliver a heat network at scale?
- To what scale can heat networks reduce potential load on grid?
- What are potential energy/cost savings for customers, and how can these be realised?
- How do we galvanise support for stakeholders to be engaged in the process?

Our next steps

- Our LHEES states changing use of existing energy infrastructure and interaction with wider energy system must be considered when planning heat decarbonisation.
- Climate Fife – Big Energy Move (Making the energy system cleaner, more sustainable and more efficient)
- Considering wider energy opportunities is the only method to practically enable large scale, deliverable networks in Fife. This will help access wider funding streams, making heat networks more viable.

Dunfermline & Rosyth Energy Plan

Pilot plan developed as prospectus and shared vision for community.

- Explore & model **large-scale** heat network vision for an area.
- Consider how **energy generation/storage/resilience opportunities and constraint risks** may impact network.
- Heat network would be the anchor project supported by wider energy analysis

City status

Forth Green Freeport

New Inverkeithing High School

High levels social housing & homes at risk of fuel poverty

Proposed major electricity upgrades

Existing heat network, and large heat network zones

Good potential sources of waste heat (ambient)

Multiple strategic development land proposals

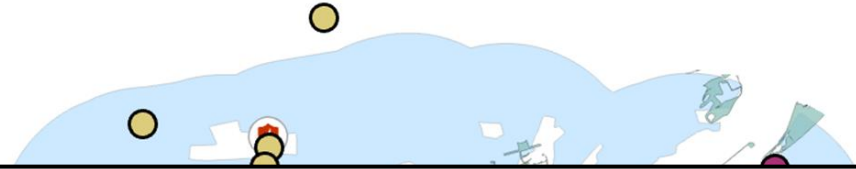
Multiple large energy loads

High number of homes unsuitable for heat pumps

Dunfermline & Rosyth Energy Prospectus



Lochhead Landfill Site*



Up to **40%** of electricity demand could be met by local renewables



11% less *annual* electricity demand needed for heating compared to air source heat pump counterfactual



At least **90%** increase in *annual* electricity demand to meet future power, heat and transport demands



190 MWh of battery storage needed to support optimised energy system

Increase in annual demand from new developments

Heat
20%

Power
23%

- LHEES Heat Network Zones
- Social Housing Clusters
- Local Development Plan Sites



- Solar PV with Battery Storage
- Potential Land for Solar PV
- Potential Land for Ground Source Heat Pump
- Study Boundary
- Waste Heat Sources



Place-based energy plans – next steps

Additional funding received to:

- Bring in heat network experts to develop full Dunfermline & Rosyth Energy Plan.
- Appoint legal support to help find the most appropriate delivery model(s) for delivering heat networks (wider energy) at scale

Here is where needed additional resource and support outside of initial LHEES funding and internal skillset.

Thank you

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