

Towards an Integrated Modelling Framework for Sustainable Urban Development

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Outline

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- Modelling framework
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- Preliminary findings – local, regional
- Conclusions

Aim

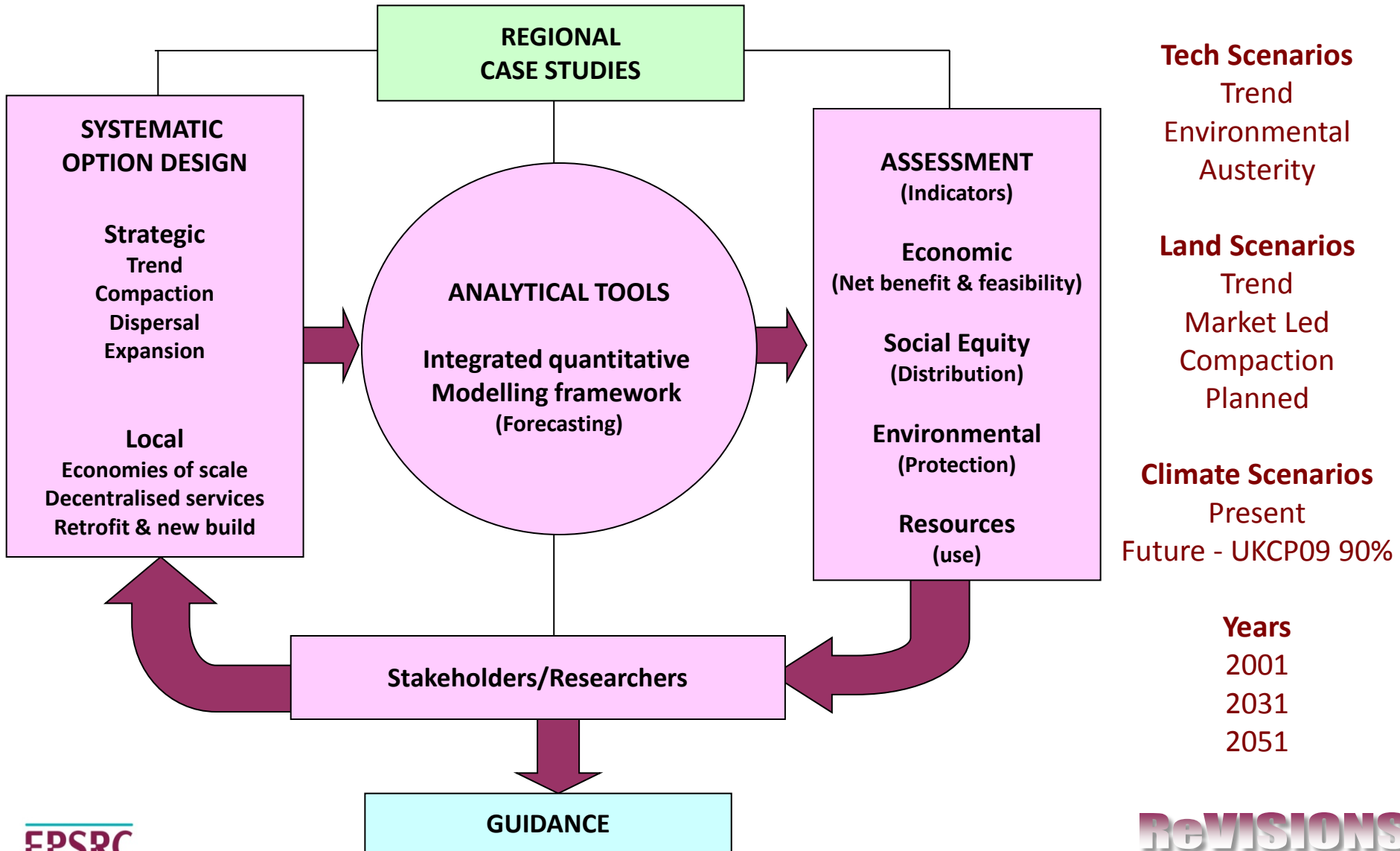
ReVISIONS: Regional Visions of Integrated Sustainable Infrastructure Optimised for Neighbourhoods

To support the **planning** of regional infrastructure for **transport, water, waste, and energy** in a more coordinated and integrated way to maximise economic competitiveness, reduce environmental and resource impacts, and enhance the quality of life in urban areas.


Objectives

- to develop a holistic and practical integrated framework for the **analysis and assessment of the sustainability** of regional spatial development.
- to devise and test **alternative regional spatial strategies** integrated across infrastructure sectors and spatial scales to investigate to what extent **infrastructure selection**, investment, regulation, and pricing can help to achieve more **sustainable** ways of living.
- to explore the **inter-relationships** between infrastructure policies and measures at the **regional** and **local** scales and explore the tensions and interactions that exist across these **scales**, and between **sectors**.

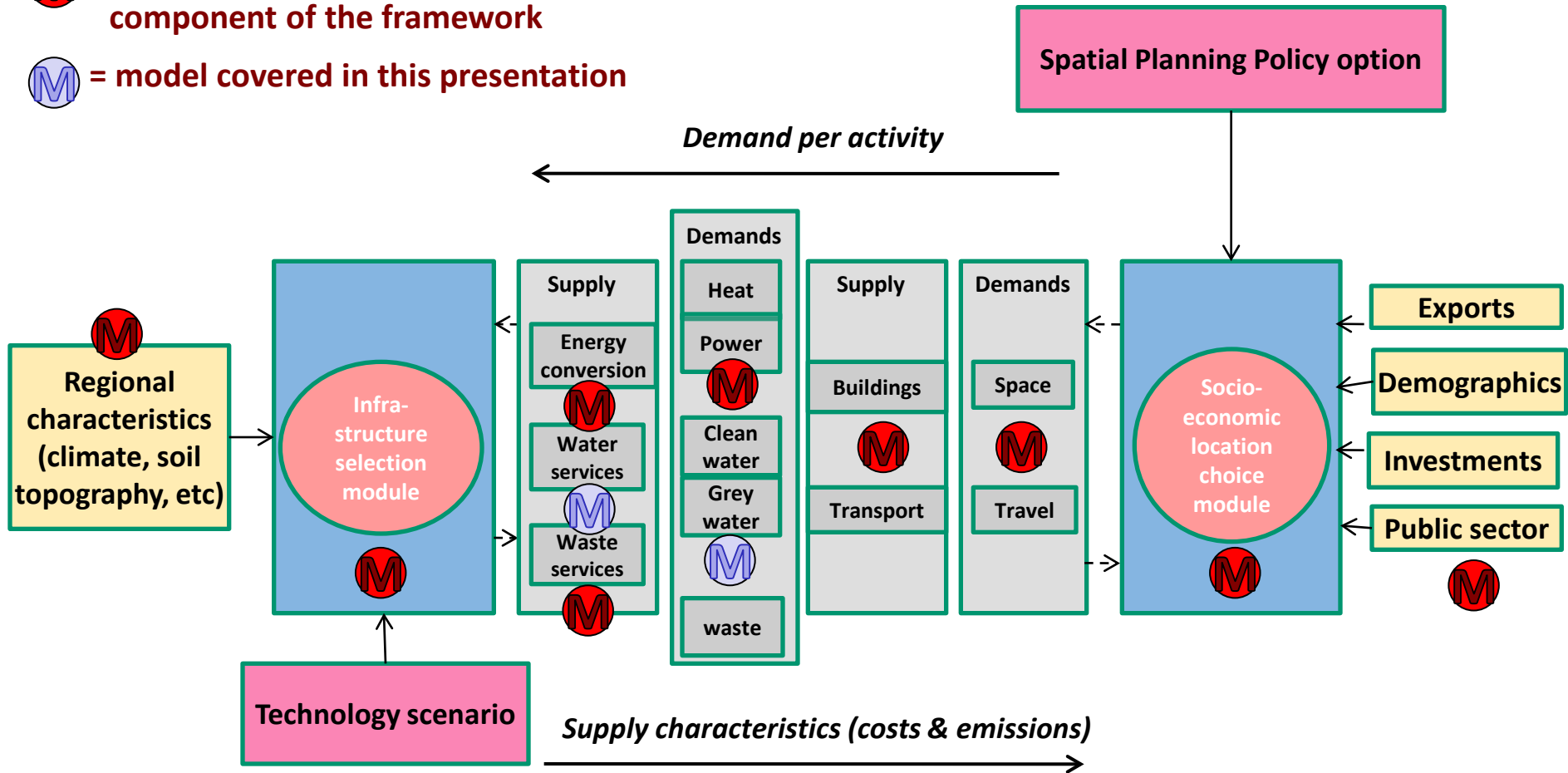
Methodology & Scenarios



Modelling Framework

 = model has been developed for this component of the framework

 = model covered in this presentation



Scaling Methodology: Generic 'Tiles'

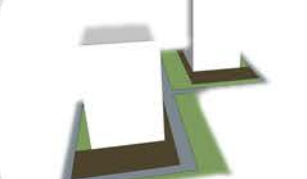
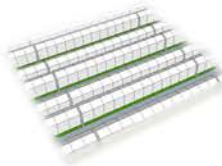
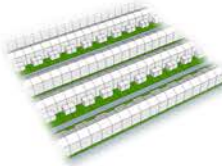
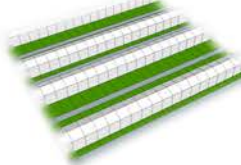
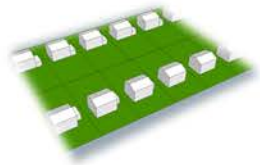
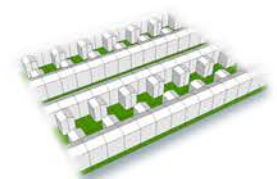
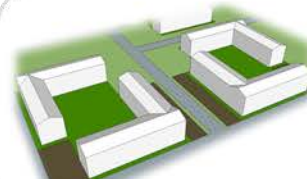
Detached

Semi-detached

Terraced

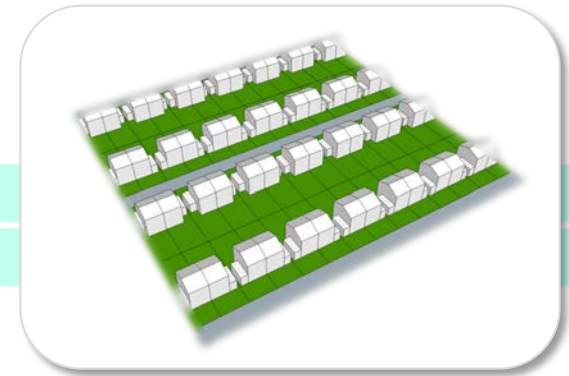
Flat (purpose-built)

Flat (converted)



Generic Tiles: Example Dataset

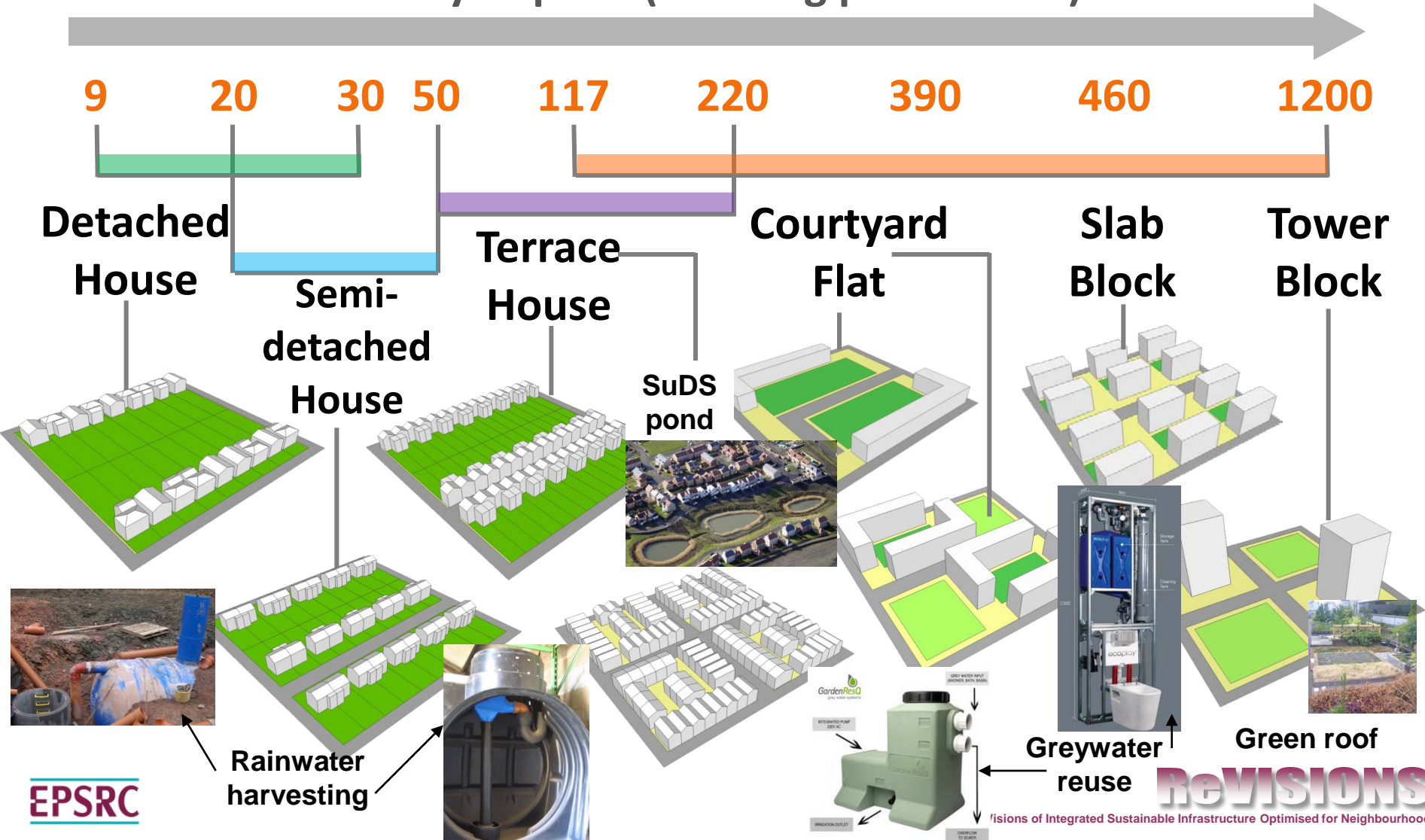
Tile S4: Semi-detached



Gross Density (dph)	41.7	
Net Density (dph)	60.0	
Floor area (m ²)	85	
Building height (m)	6 (2 storeys)	
Land Use (%)	Domestic building	20.04
	Domestic garden	49.68
	Greenspace	0
	Road and path	30.28
	Other land	0
Domestic energy demand (kWh/year/dwelling)	Space heating	8780
	Water heating	1846
	Cooking – gas	627
	Cooling – electricity	385
	Electrical appliances	2036
	Lighting	506
	Total	14180

Tiles and dwelling density

Density of plots (dwelling per hectare)



Water Technology Optioneering Model

Economic Inputs (land use, population, tile data)

- Calculate All
- Run from micro-component input
- Run from GWR
- Run from RWH
- Run from SuDS

Boundaries

Demand Inputs

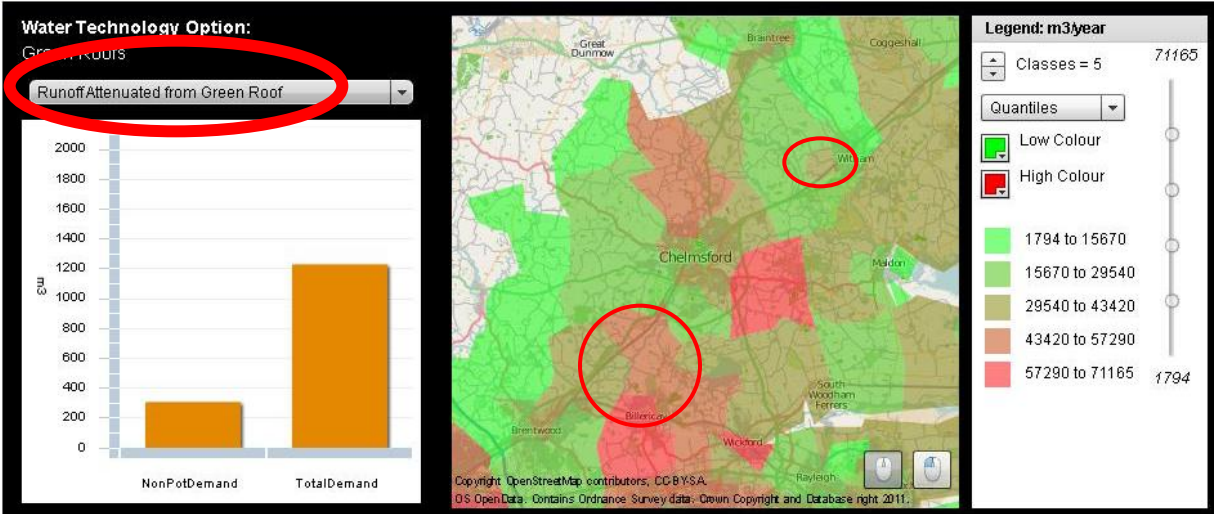
Alternative Tech Inputs (costs, energy, tile data)

NAME	Water Utility	WRZ_Name	Ward Area (m2)	Ward area in WRZ (m2)	Fraction of Ward in WRZ
Aldersgate	Thames Water	London	129,865	129,865	1
Bishopsgate	Thames Water	London	563,889	563,889	1
Cripplegate	Thames Water	London	202,423	202,423	1
Farringdon Within	Thames Water	London			0.992032774
Farringdon Without	Thames Water	London			0.985883761
Portsoken	Thames Water	London			1
Queenhithe	Thames Water	London			0.942301035
Tower	Thames Water	London			0.946510011
Walbrook	Thames Water	London			0.935572988
Abbey	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			0.02
Abbey	Thames Water	London			0.98
Alibon	Three Valleys Water	Central			0.3
Becontree	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Chadwell Heath	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Eastbrook	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Eastbury	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Gascoigne	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			0.977332631
Goresbrook	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Heath	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Longbridge	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Mayesbrook	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex			1
Parsloes	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex	1,850,769	1,850,769	1
River	Essex & Suffolk Water	Essex	1,243,277	1,243,277	1
			3,135,581	3,116,283	0.993845503

Results

	A	B	C	D	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T
1					Standard RWH Technology						Low Carbon RWH	
2		General Ward Information			Water saving from RWH	RWH Costs		RWH CO2		RWH Costs	RWH CO2	
3	Ward	WRZ	Total Dwell	Total Pop	HH (m3/day)	Comm (m3/day)	HH Cost (£)	Com Cost (£)	HH CO2	Com CO2	HH Cost (£)	HH CO2
4	Essex & Suffolk Water											
5	00ABFZ	1	4381	10841	64	61	4706400	1621370	374711507	42483	2952400	4407791
6	00ABGA	1	4072	9361	62	60	4523550	1545555	355364493	40488	2827200	4180209
7	00ABGB	1	4043	9921	68	65	4988625	1690333	388217913	44289	3109800	4566669
8	00ABGC	1	4334	10108	56	53	4168450	1381472	322876111	36204	2595200	3798043
9	00ABGD	1	4141	9235	3	0	214650	0	14784039	0	129600	173907
10	00ABGE	1	4124	10271	9	52	556500	1345370	38328990	35259	336000	450870
11	00ABGF	1	4245	9701	11	46	739350	1211188	50922801	31731	446400	599013
12	00ABGG	1	3483	8812	55	52	4141950	1292334	300061236	33852	2533200	3529668
13	00ABGH	1	3920	9412	11	53	707550	1371435	48732573	35973	427200	573249

Water Technology Optioneering Web-Interface



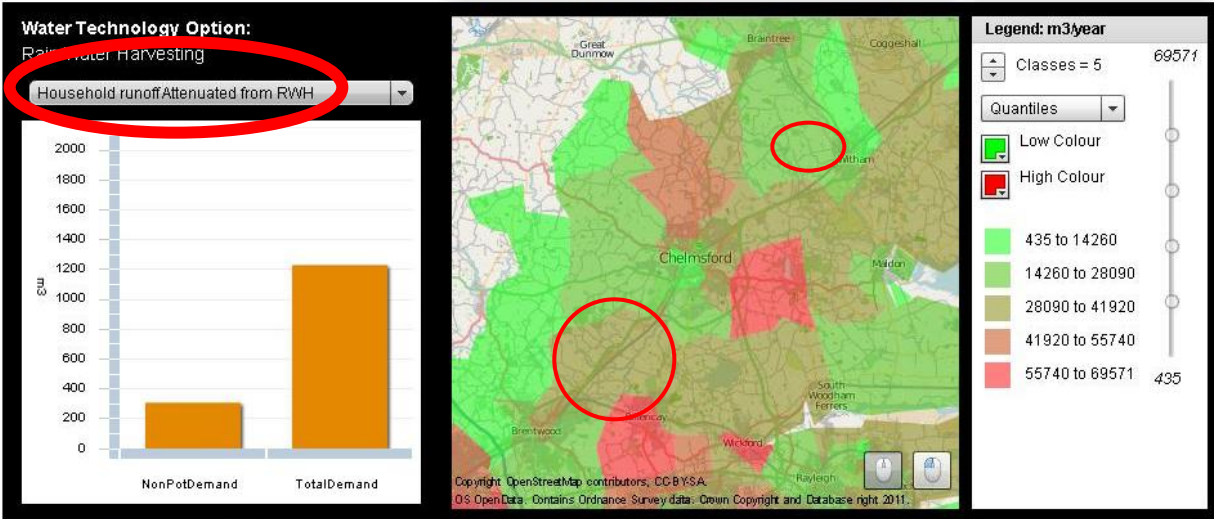
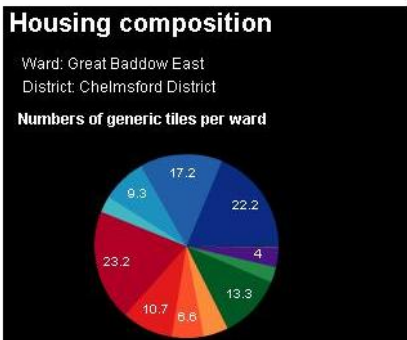
Navigation

East of England

Essex County

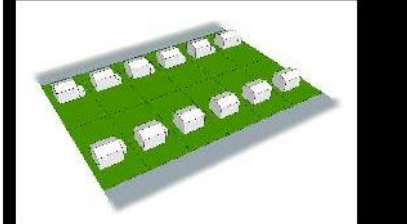
Chelmsford

Select Ward



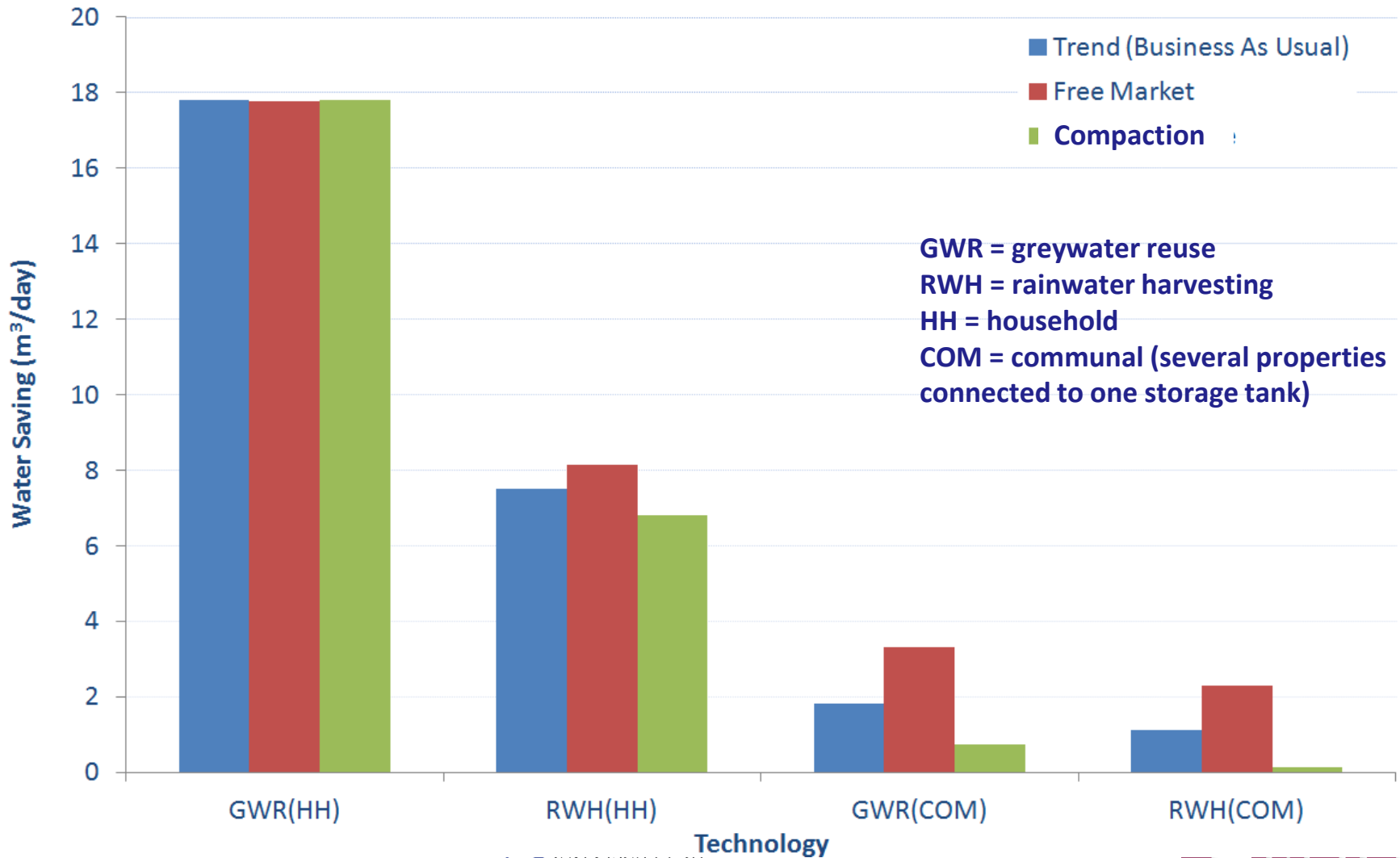
Tile factors

Tile: D2	% other land: 0
House Type: Detached	% greenspace: 0
Building footprint: 104	% garden: 73.3
Plot Density: 14	% building: 12.5
Site Density: 12	Storeys: 2
% road and path: 14.2	Roof area: 87



Preliminary Results – Local

Interaction of technology & urban growth Scenarios: Chelmsford

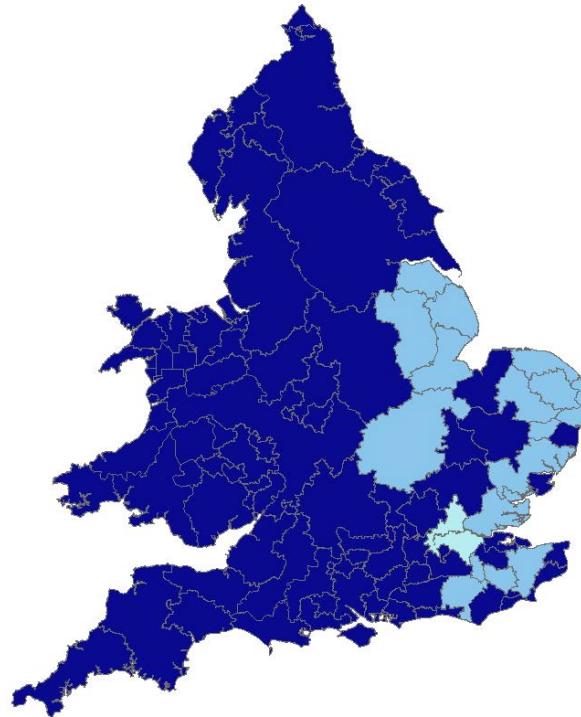
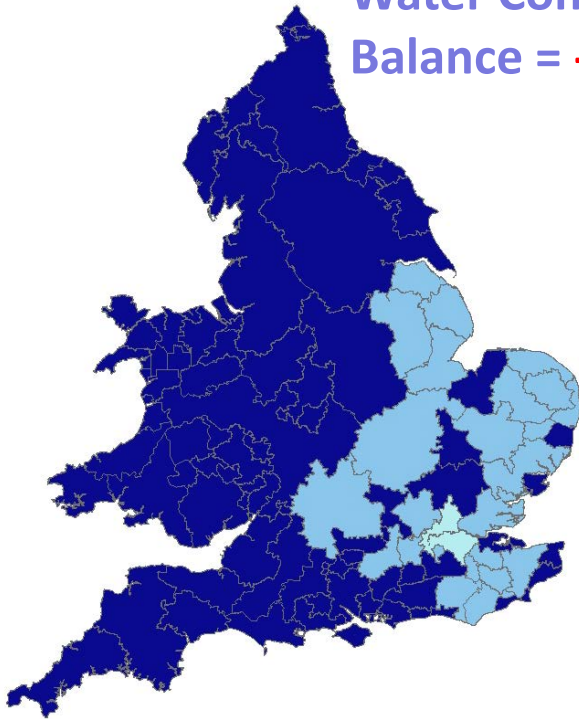


Preliminary Results – Regional

Wider South East Supply-Demand Balance (2031)

Water Company Projections:

Balance = - 606 MI/d

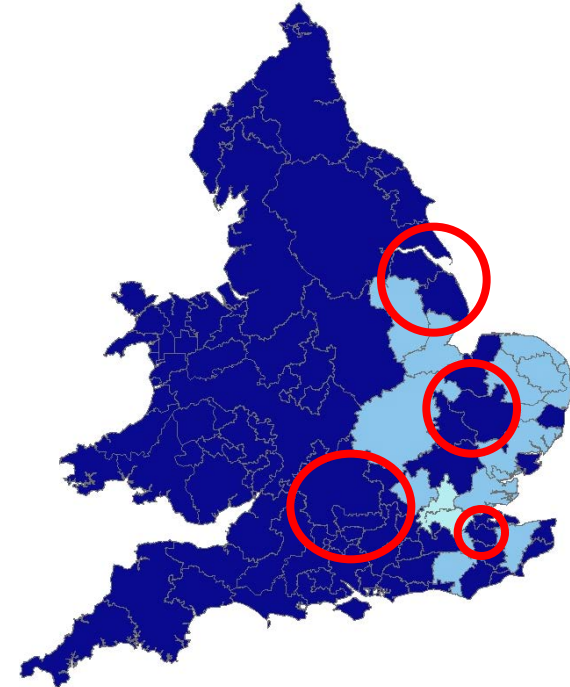


WTOM: Water efficient appliances + Rainwater Harvesting:

Balance = 63 MI/d

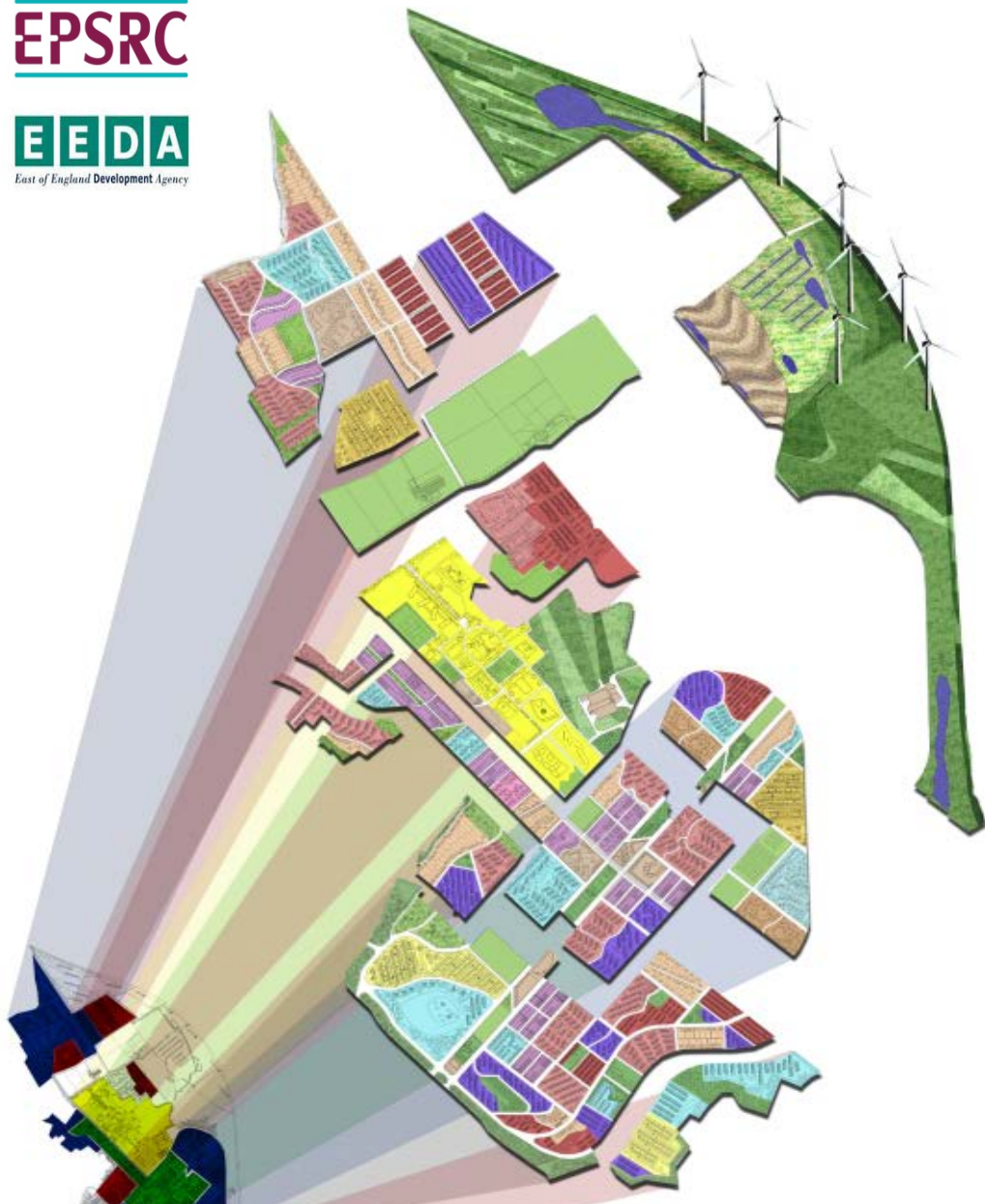
WTOM: Water efficient appliances + Greywater Reuse:

Balance = 98 MI/d



Conclusions

- An integrated modelling framework is being finalised to allow assessment of the influence of infrastructure on the sustainability of urban areas under different spatial strategies.
- This builds on an established planning LUTI to incorporate service supply and demand, infrastructure options and local (tile) scale solutions.
- A flexible, web-based tool has been developed to aid quantification and visualisation of planning and infrastructure strategies.
- A water technology optioneering model has been developed to:
 - Explore the impact of spatial planning on water services and
 - Explore the influence of water services on spatial planning.
- Limitations: robust whole life cost data for alternative techs
- Future work: full scenario testing & comparison



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