



MILTON KEYNES: HOW WE MADE OUR CITY SMARTER

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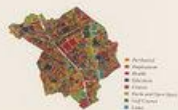
Where is Milton Keynes?



Milton Keynes is in North Buckinghamshire, an hour by road from London and just a bit longer from Birmingham.

Direct rail services bring you from many major cities like London, Liverpool, Manchester and Coventry, and the M1 and the proposed new motorway links will take you from Milton Keynes to ports and airports all over the country.

Unlike Milton Keynes a new system of roads has been designed so that you can travel around quickly and comfortably inside the city, too.



Milton Keynes Development Corporation, Wavendon Tower, Wavendon, Milton Keynes, MK17 8LX. Telephone: Blotchley 4000

London: 88 km

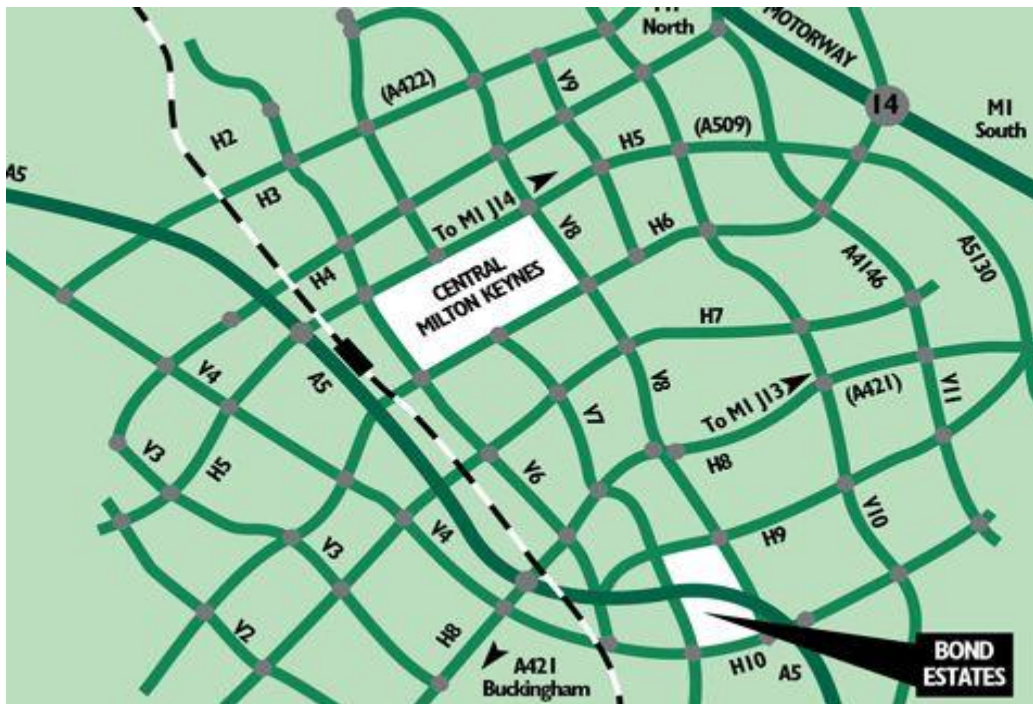
Oxford: 74 km

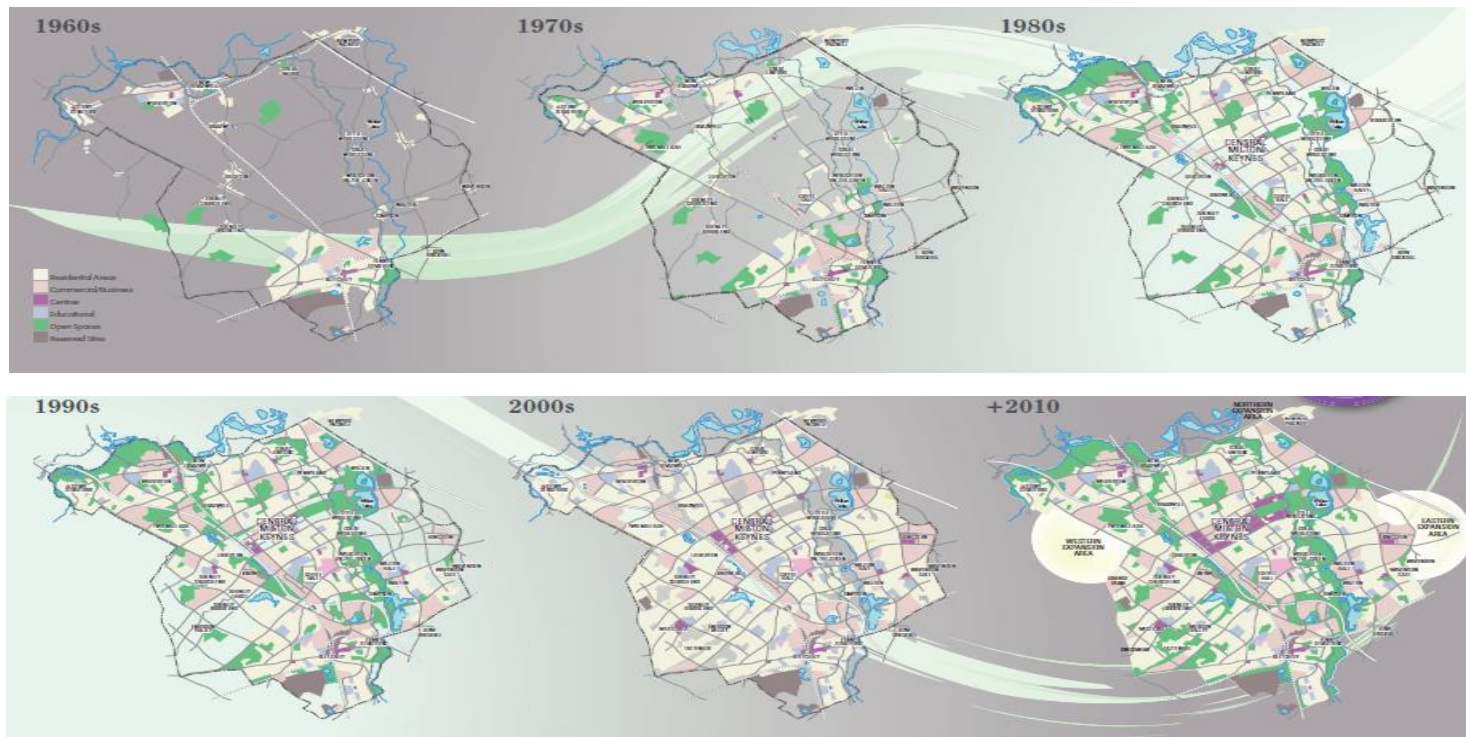
Cambridge: 77 km

Birmingham: 110 km

90 minutes drive
= 18 million people







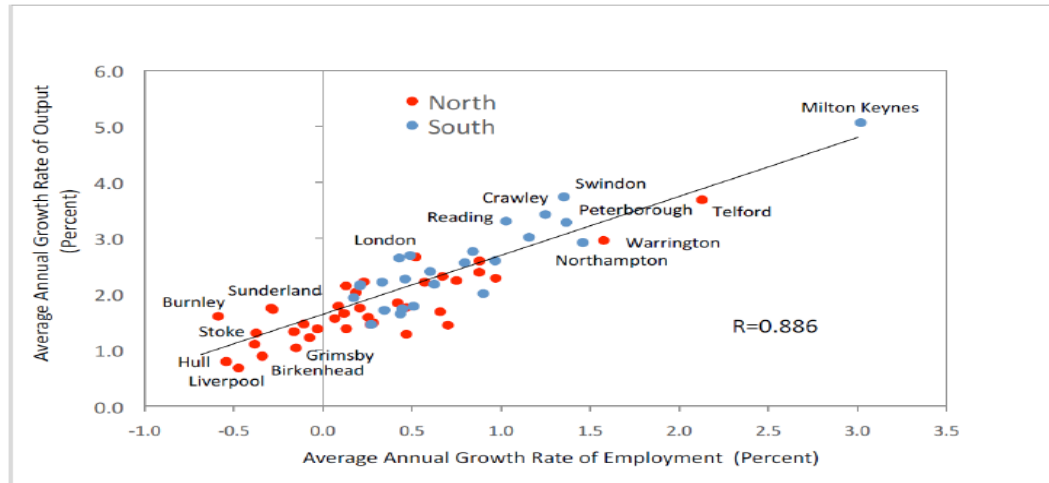








**Figure 2.3: Relationship between output growth and employment growth across British cities, classified into north and south:
(Average Annual Growth Rates for 1981-2011)**



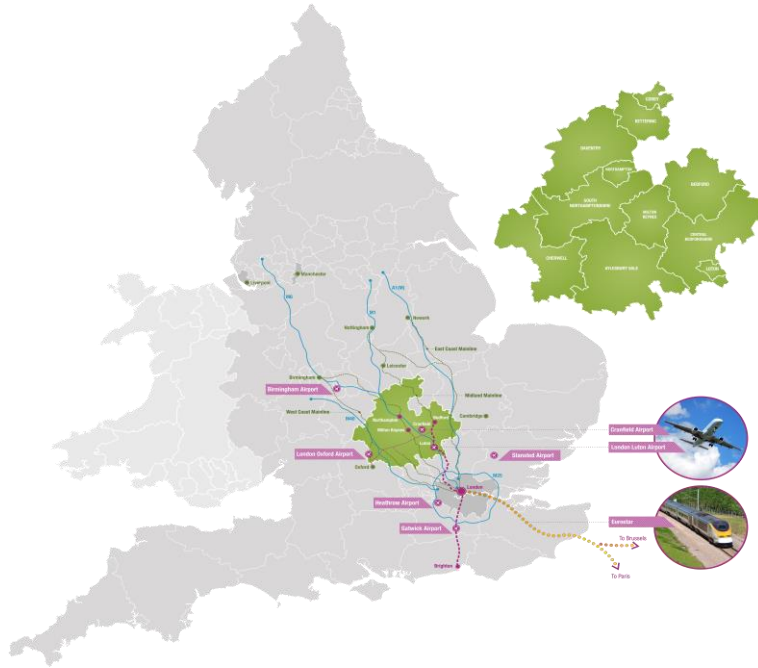
	City	Change 04-13	% change 04-13
1	Milton Keynes	24,400	18.2%
2	London	769,500	17.1%
3	Cambridge	12,400	15.7%
4	Brighton	15,100	11.1%
5	Bournemouth	15,500	10.0%
6	Portsmouth	18,800	9.2%
7	Coventry	11,800	8.4%
8	Newcastle	29,300	8.0%
9	Aberdeen	13,300	7.9%
10	Nottingham	21,400	7.7%

Growth in Jobs 2004-13

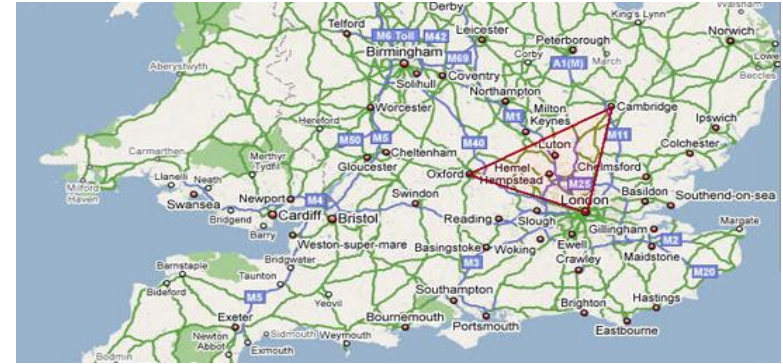
Cities Outlook 2015

Centre for Cities

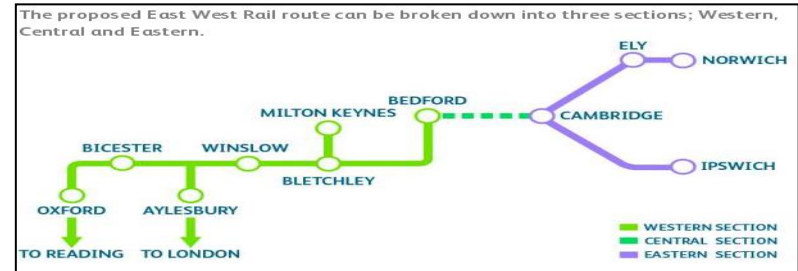
The evolving economic performance of UK cities: city growth patterns 1981-2011, Foresight Future of Cities: working paper , August 2014



SEMLEP Functional Economic Area - inter-related urban economies with their rural hinterlands



Oxford - Cambridge - London
Innovation Triangle



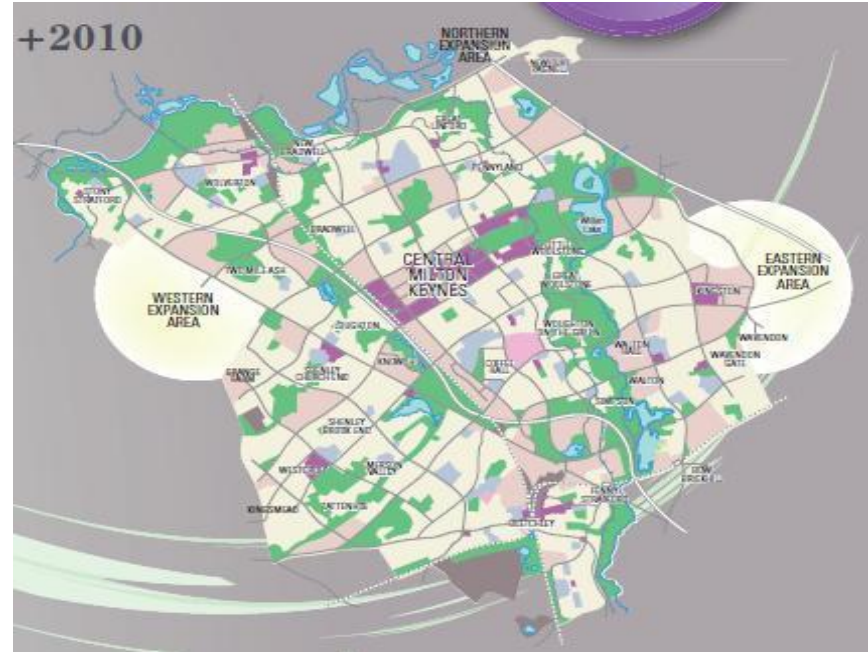
East-West Rail corridor

- 28,000 new homes
- 1.5 jobs per home
- Population grows to 300,000+

Travel demand increase of 60%

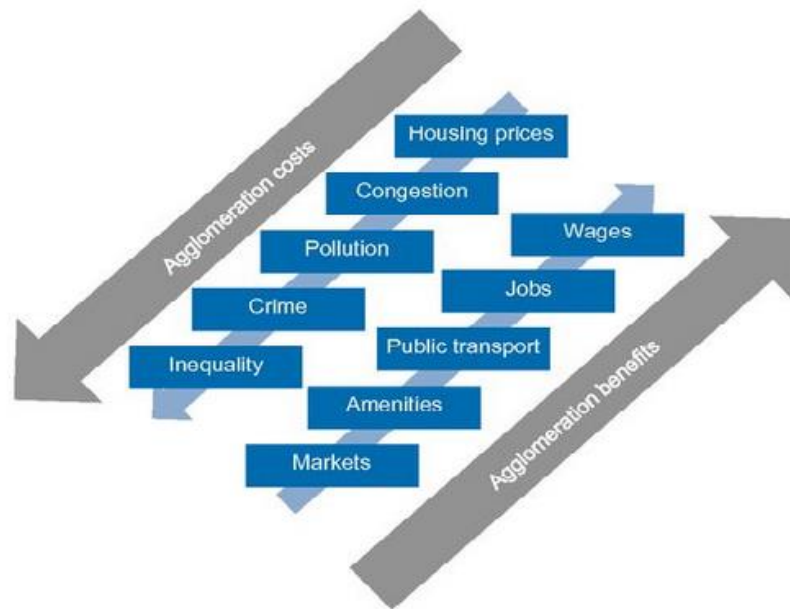
but

practical capacity improvements
address only 25% increase

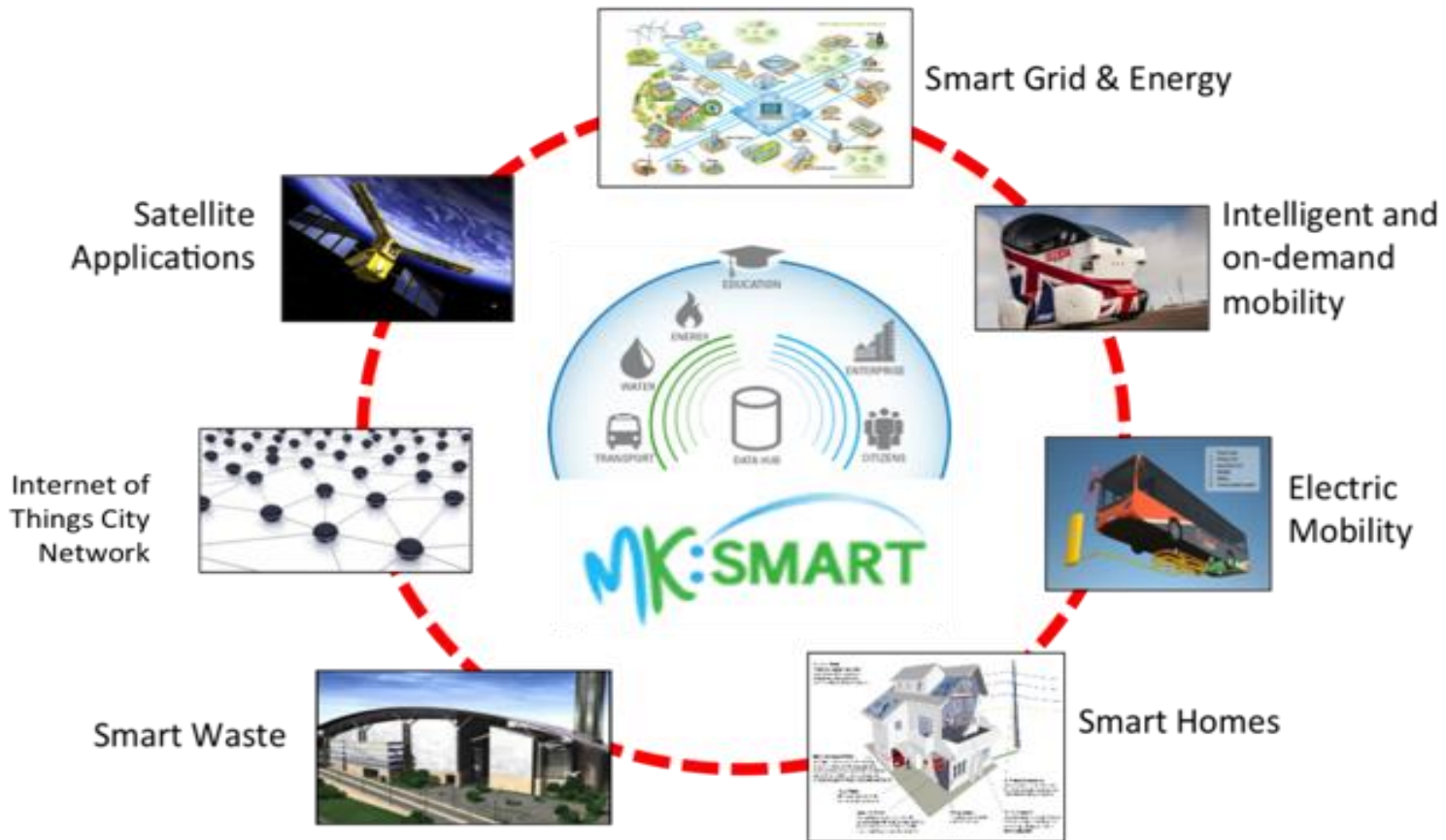


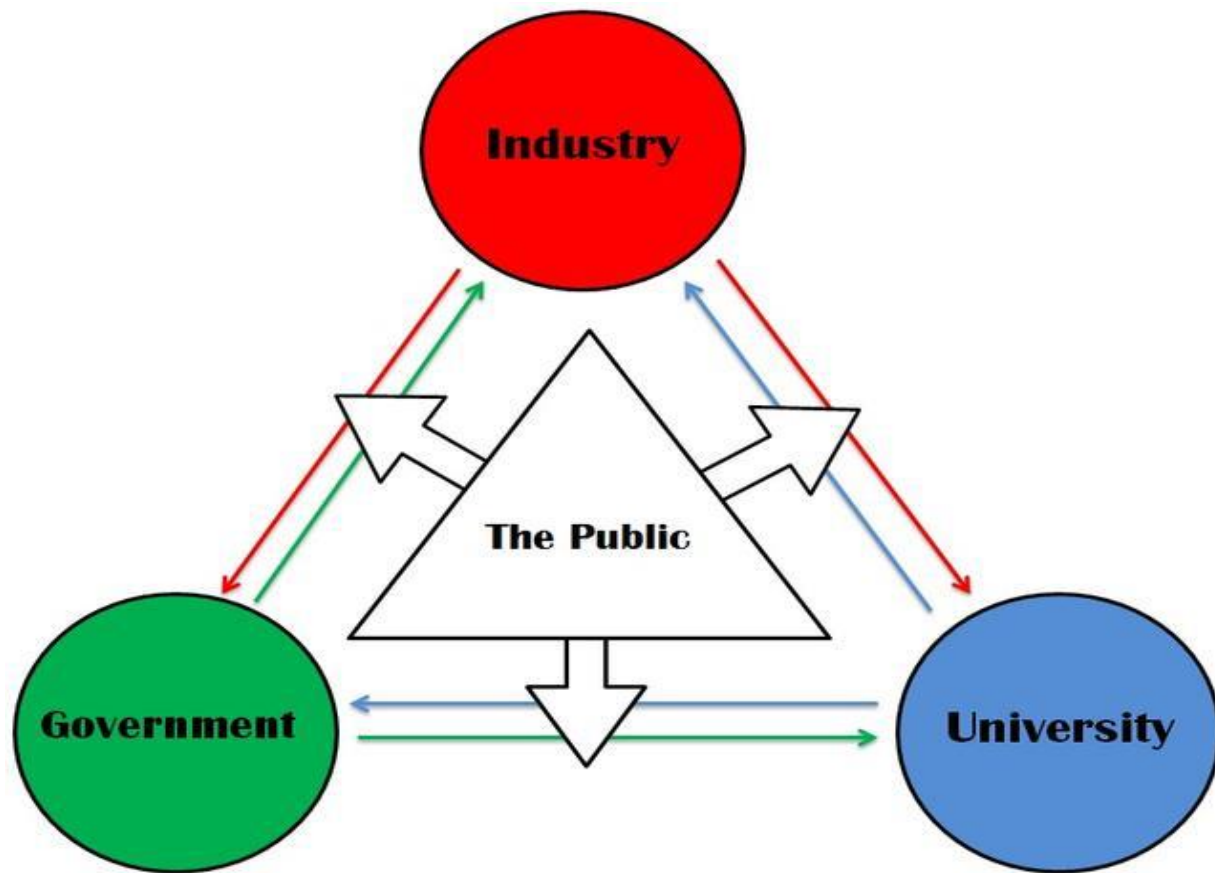
Reduce carbon emissions per person by 40% (2010 – 2020)

- Address barriers to sustainable housing and jobs growth
 - manage infrastructure pressures
 - create new service models
 - reduce carbon emissions
- Improve the lives of citizens
 - responsive/bespoke services
 - engaged citizens
 - education and skills
- Build leadership in urban innovation
 - foster innovation & business growth
 - attract investment
 - enhance reputation



The Metropolitan Century , OECD, February 2015







Helping to secure the future economic growth of
Milton Keynes

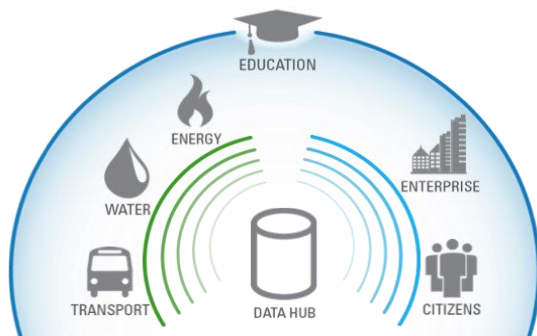
- £16m project, funded jointly by HEFCE and project partners
- Integrated innovation and support programme to ensure that the capability for growth of Milton Keynes is not compromised



Milton Keynes is one of the fastest growing cities in the UK and a great economic success story.

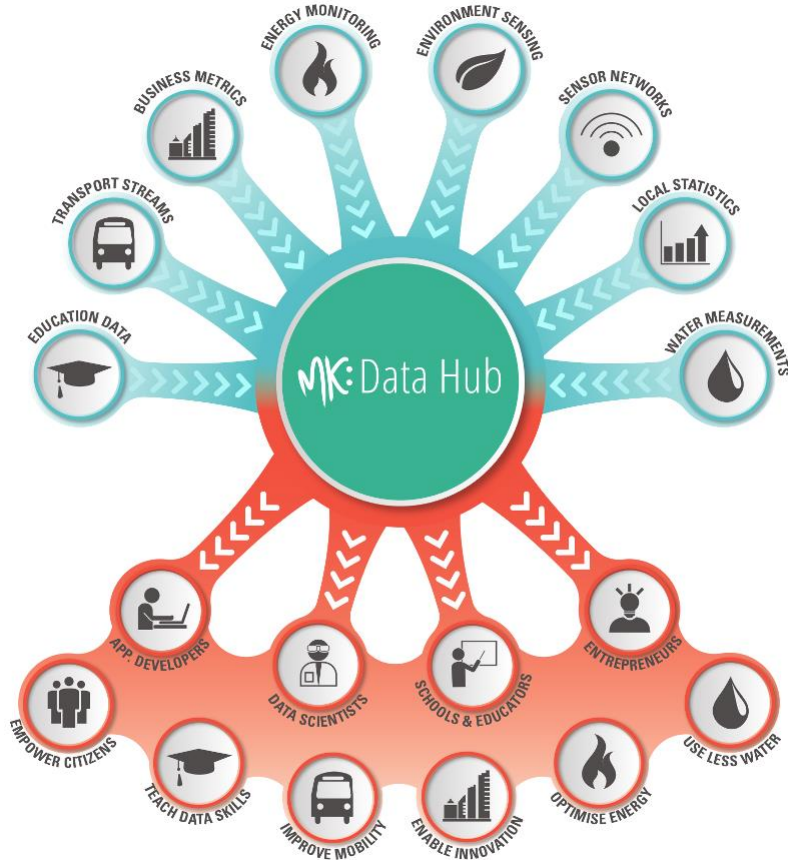
However, the challenge of supporting sustainable growth without exceeding the capacity of the infrastructure, and whilst meeting key carbon reduction targets, is a major one.

MK:Smart is a large collaborative initiative, partly funded by HEFCE (the Higher Education Funding Council for England) and led by The Open University, which will develop innovative solutions to support economic growth in Milton Keynes.



Central to the project is the creation of a state-of-the-art 'MK Data Hub' which will support the acquisition and management of vast amounts of data relevant to city systems from a variety of data sources. These will include data about energy and water consumption, transport data, data acquired through satellite technology, social and economic datasets, and crowdsourced data from social media or specialised apps.

Building on the capability provided by the MK Data Hub, the project will innovate in the areas of transport, energy and water management, tackling key demand issues.

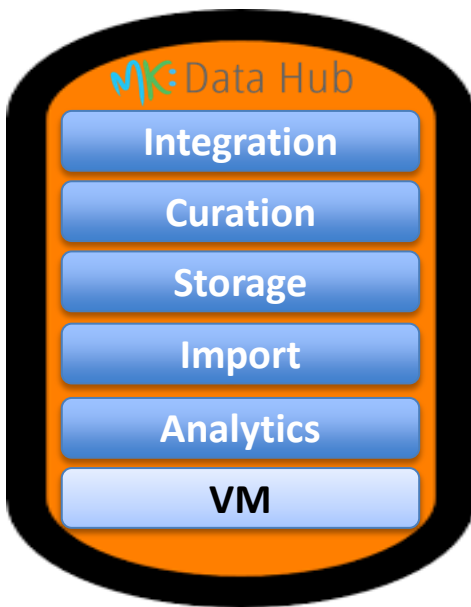


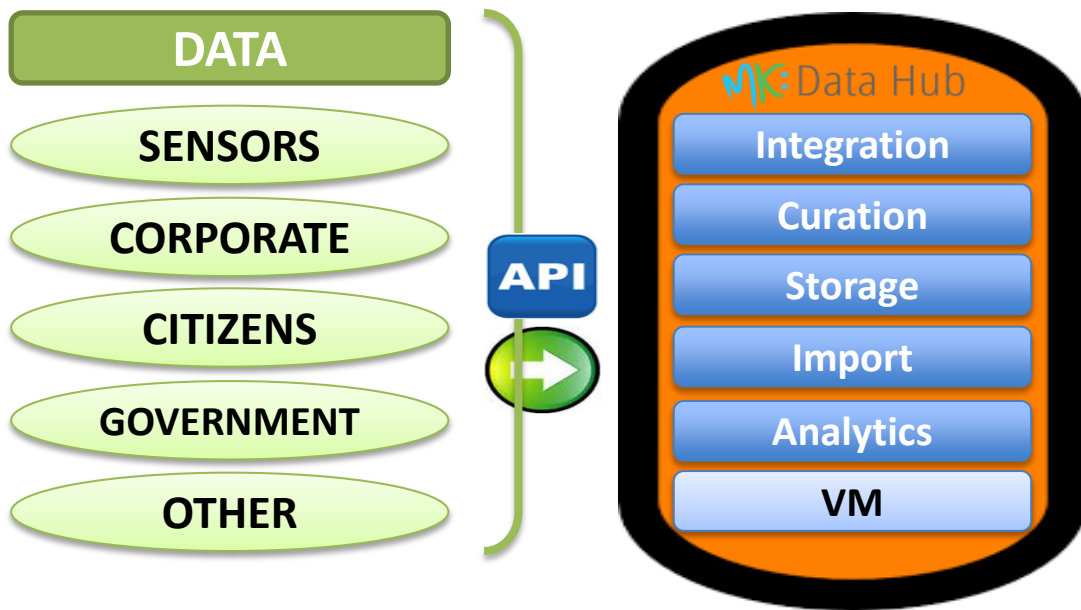
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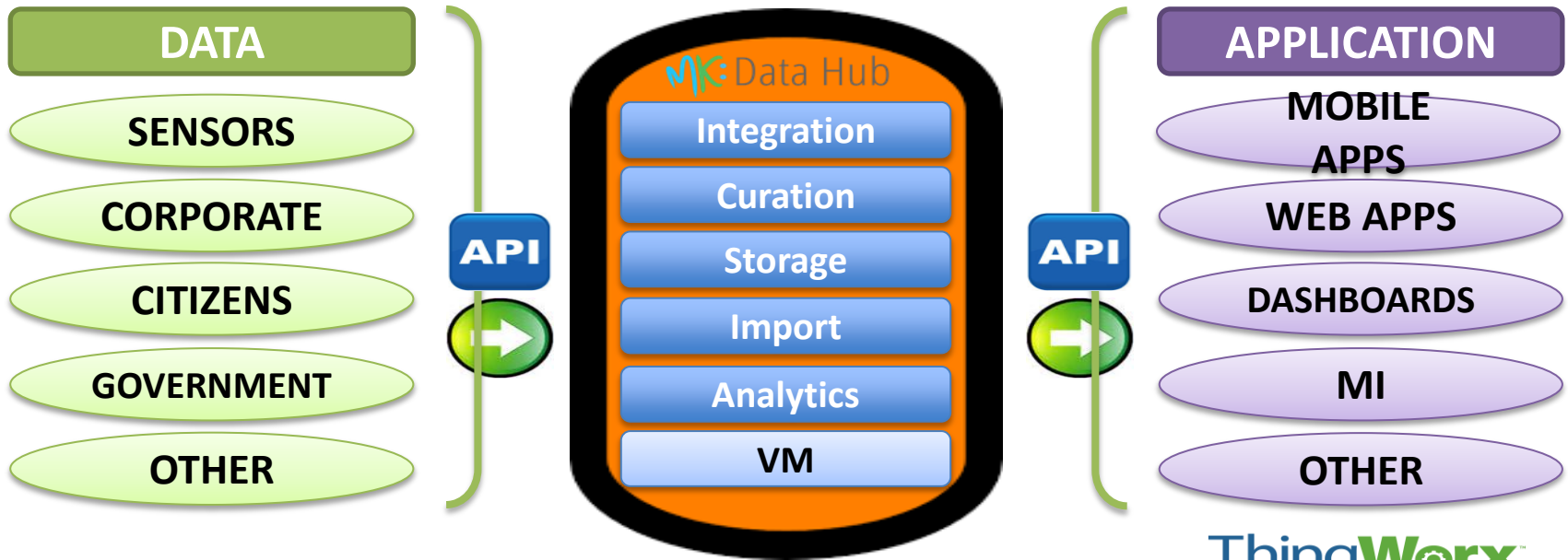
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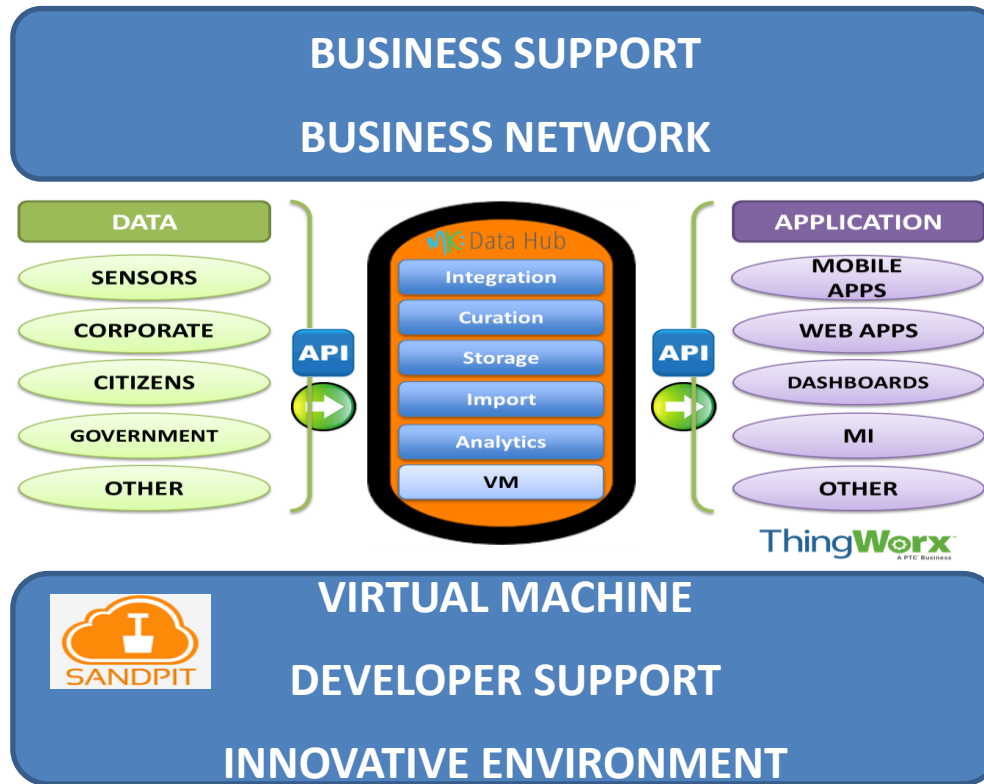
Data will drive analytics at different levels of granularity to support intelligent planning and usage of resources across city systems

Innovative solutions will be realised to reduce the cost of data-driven application development











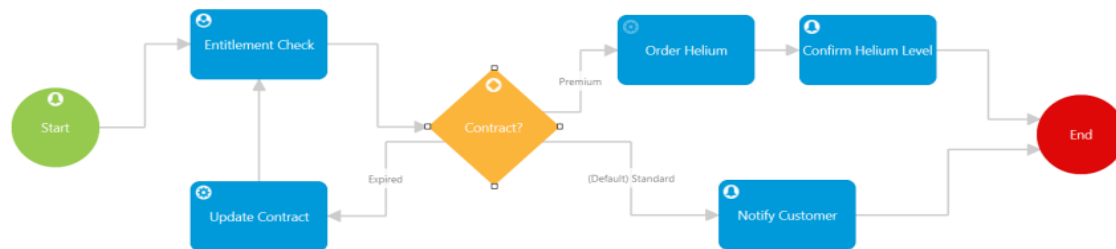
RECEIVE TASK

SERVICE TASK

USER TASK

EXCLUSIVE GATEWAY

Customer.Helium.Replenishment.with.Loopback



Contract?

Information

Conditions

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GATEWAY CONDITIONS

SEQUENCE	LABEL	EXPRESSION	TO	DEFAULT	
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2	Premium	customer.contract.type == "premium"	Order Helium	<input type="checkbox"/>	✕
3	Standard	customer.contract.type == "standard"	Notify Customer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	✕

Applications

Top MK

Top MK is a virtual card playing game where each card represents a ward in Milton Keynes, with characteristics such as area, population, level of qualifications, etc. Two players, one human and the other automatic, try to win the other's cards by choosing the characteristic that has the best chance to win against the other card. Besides being fun, Top MK is a way to introduce elements of manipulating city data in a playful way: Understanding the different areas, thinking about the distribution of values for the different characteristics, etc. It also demonstrates how the MK Data Hub helps in building interesting applications with very little resource.



Water Monitor

Water Monitor is a website (currently in development) that helps Milton Keynes citizens to understand their domestic water usage and provides advice on how to reduce water consumption. By registering to use Water Monitor, MK citizens will be able to log on and view their household's water use data. It is run from a the MK Data Hub to provide consumers with information on their water use. Milton Keynes is in one of the driest regions of the UK, which makes it all the more important to manage its water resources sustainably.



Garden Monitor



Top MK

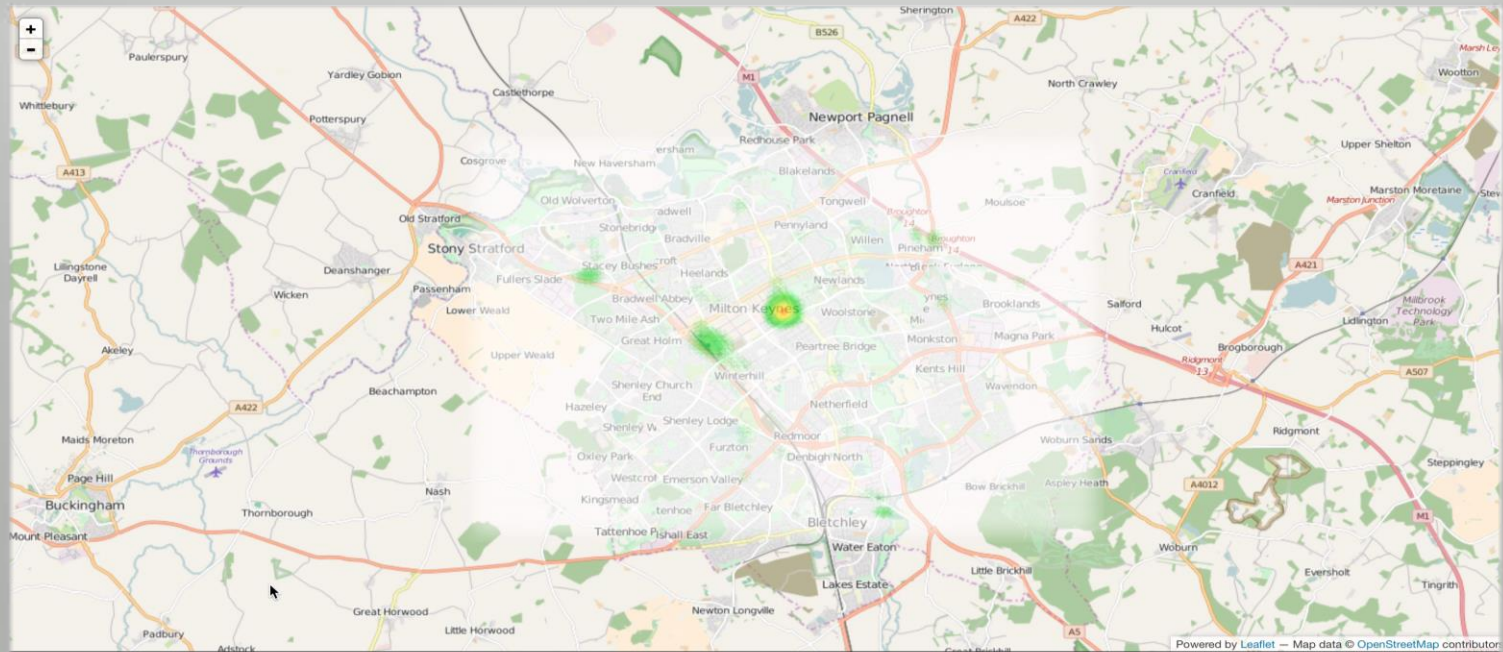
MK: Data Hub

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Top MK

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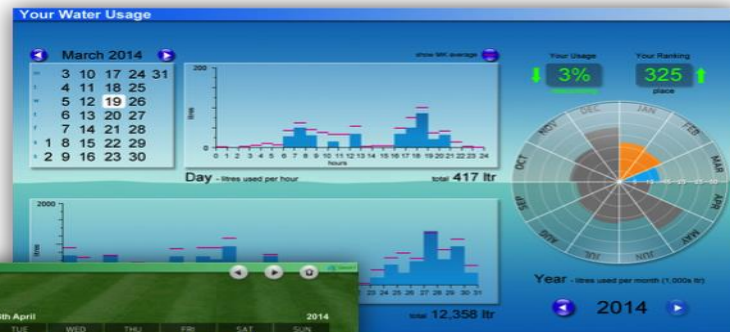
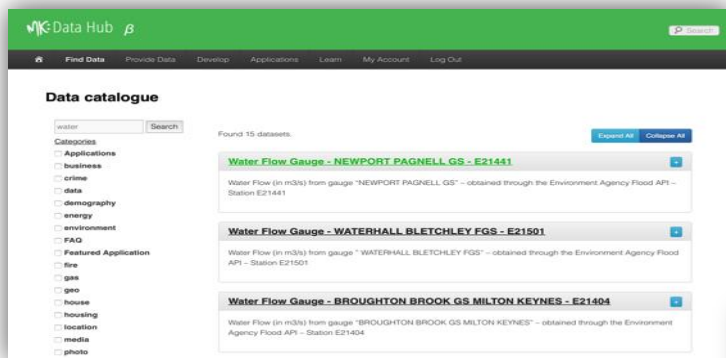


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Motion Map



Milton Keynes is in one of the driest regions in the country.

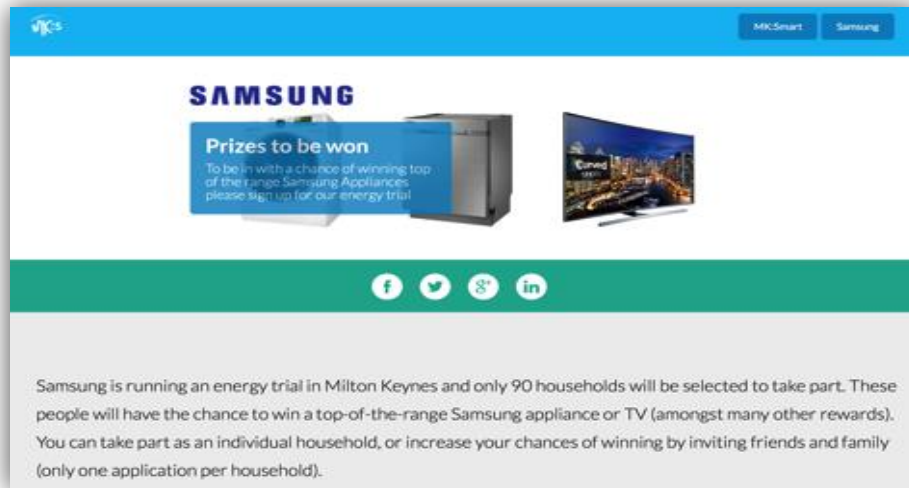
Find out [here](#) about making sure there is enough water for wildlife...

Welcome to MK:Smart Water Monitor

Water Monitor is a brand new tool that can help you to understand your water use. You can [register](#) with us to help us trial Water Monitor.

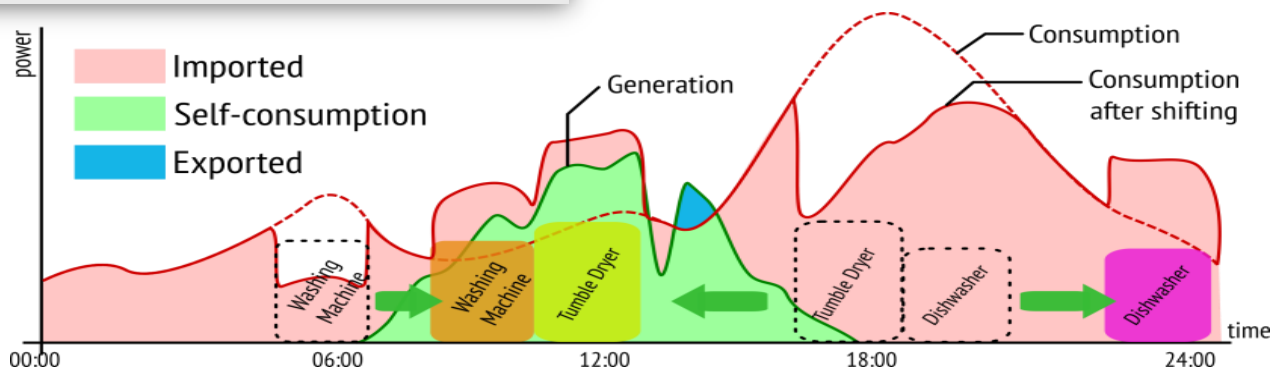
By registering to use Water Monitor, you'll be able to log on and view your household's water use data. You'll get the opportunity to see just how much you can save by trying some cheap and easy ways to reduce your water use. By saving water you'll save money and energy and help the environment too.

Water Monitoring



The screenshot shows the MK:SMART website with a Samsung promotion. The header includes the MK:SMART logo and navigation links for MK:Smart and Samsung. The main content area features the Samsung logo and a section titled "Prizes to be won" with a description: "To be in with a chance of winning top of the range Samsung Appliances please sign up for our energy trial". Below this are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and LinkedIn. A text block at the bottom states: "Samsung is running an energy trial in Milton Keynes and only 90 households will be selected to take part. These people will have the chance to win a top-of-the-range Samsung appliance or TV (amongst many other rewards). You can take part as an individual household, or increase your chances of winning by inviting friends and family (only one application per household)." The website has a blue header, a white main body, and a green footer.

Energy Use Load Balance



Smart City MOOC

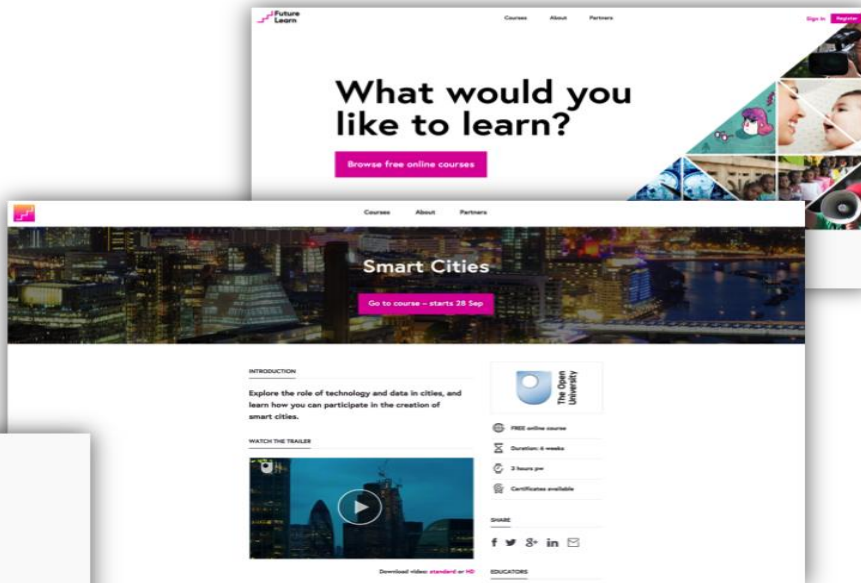
Meet the educators



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 Research Associate at the Open University researching smart cities and developing the citizen education strand of MK:Smart. Also an Associate Lecturer teaching Environmental Sciences.

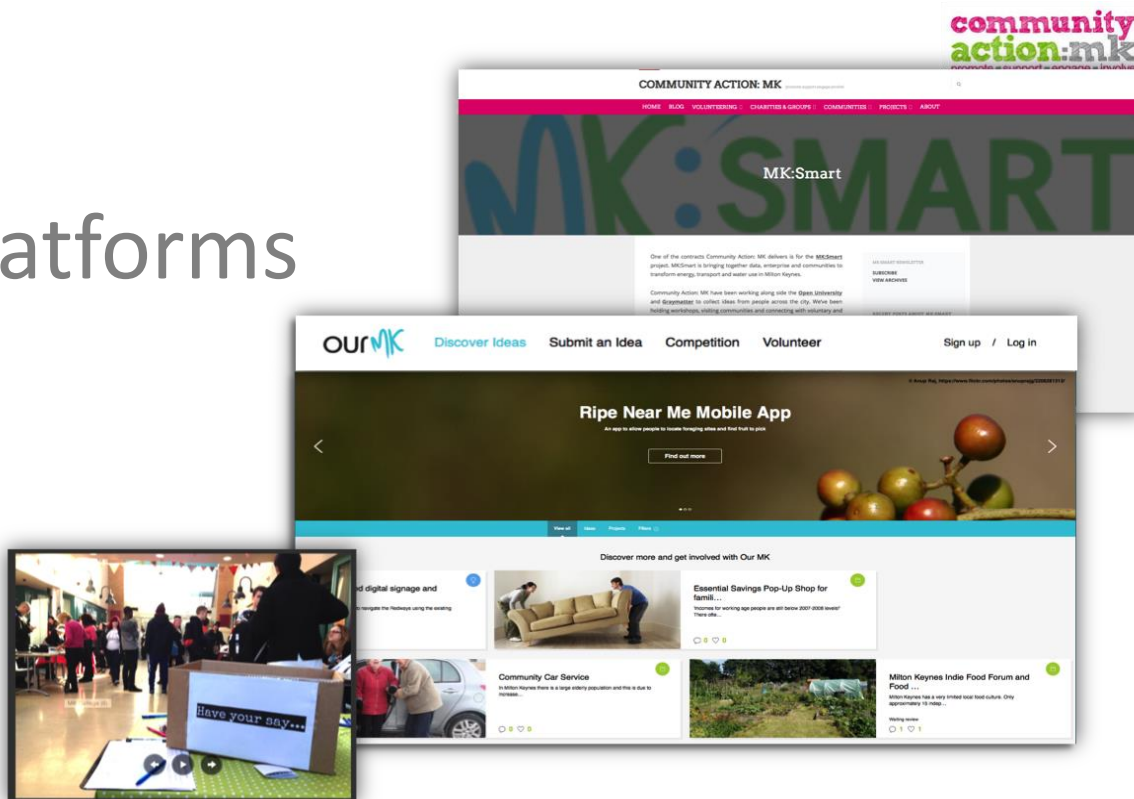


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The image shows two overlapping screenshots of the Future Learn website. The top screenshot displays the main landing page with the headline "What would you like to learn?" and a button "Browse free online courses". The bottom screenshot shows the "Smart Cities" course page, featuring a night cityscape background, the course title "Smart Cities", and a button "Go to course - starts 28 Sep". Below this, there is an "INTRODUCTION" section with a description: "Explore the role of technology and data in cities, and learn how you can participate in the creation of smart cities." and a "WATCH THE TRAILER" section with a video player. On the right side of the course page, there is a sidebar with the Open University logo, course details (FREE online course, Duration: 6 weeks, 3 hours per week, Certificates available), social media links, and a list of educators.

Citizen Platforms





Physical space

CPD events

New Enterprise Creation PGCert

Connecting Local
Tech Enterprises



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The image features several decorative geometric elements. A large, multi-colored starburst or fan shape is on the right side, composed of various triangles in shades of blue, green, yellow, orange, pink, and purple. Several thin, colored lines (blue, pink, green, orange) radiate from the center towards the top and bottom edges of the frame.

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