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Lessons Learnt from London Green Fund

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Introduction





Joint European Support for Sustainable Investment in City Area (JESSICA)

Why use JESSICA?

- Entire region is urban area
- Integrated plan for sustainable urban development in place
- Help meet Mayor's climate change objectives

Why repayable finance?

- Returns used for other urban regeneration projects
- Leveraging additional funding for climate change objectives
- Flexible approach in delivery and combining funding package for projects
- Opportunity to do something <u>genuinely</u> innovative with ERDF!







London Climate Change Target







Finance Challenge

Private investors not investing in areas such as retrofitting and decentralised energy

Projects are too small, too risky, and lack sufficient precedents to attract finance

Solutions & investment cannot be addressed by the public sector alone









Model for the future?









Preliminary Steps



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Pre-Investment













Impact so far









Some Lessons

Need to know what you want but also what market can deliver.

Projects may not only need funding but also management-know-how and technical guidance.

Formulate clearly defined investment strategy but recognise market can change.

Identify challenges and opportunities.







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