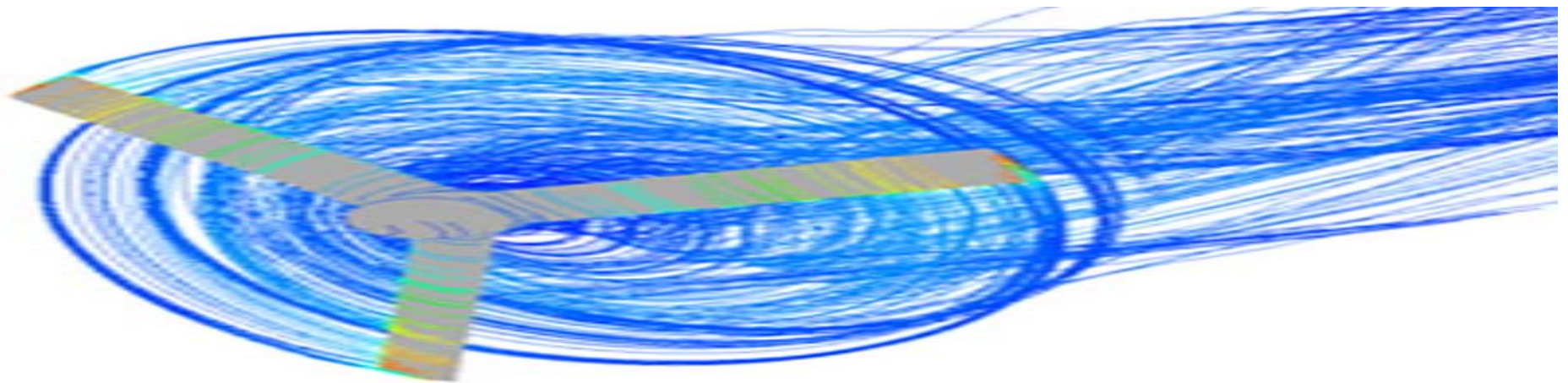


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Presentation

The energy challenge and opportunities for this region

RTPI Manifesto: Shaping the future

- Coalitions programme for government
- Planning professions role
- Planning policy Framework

Policy considerations

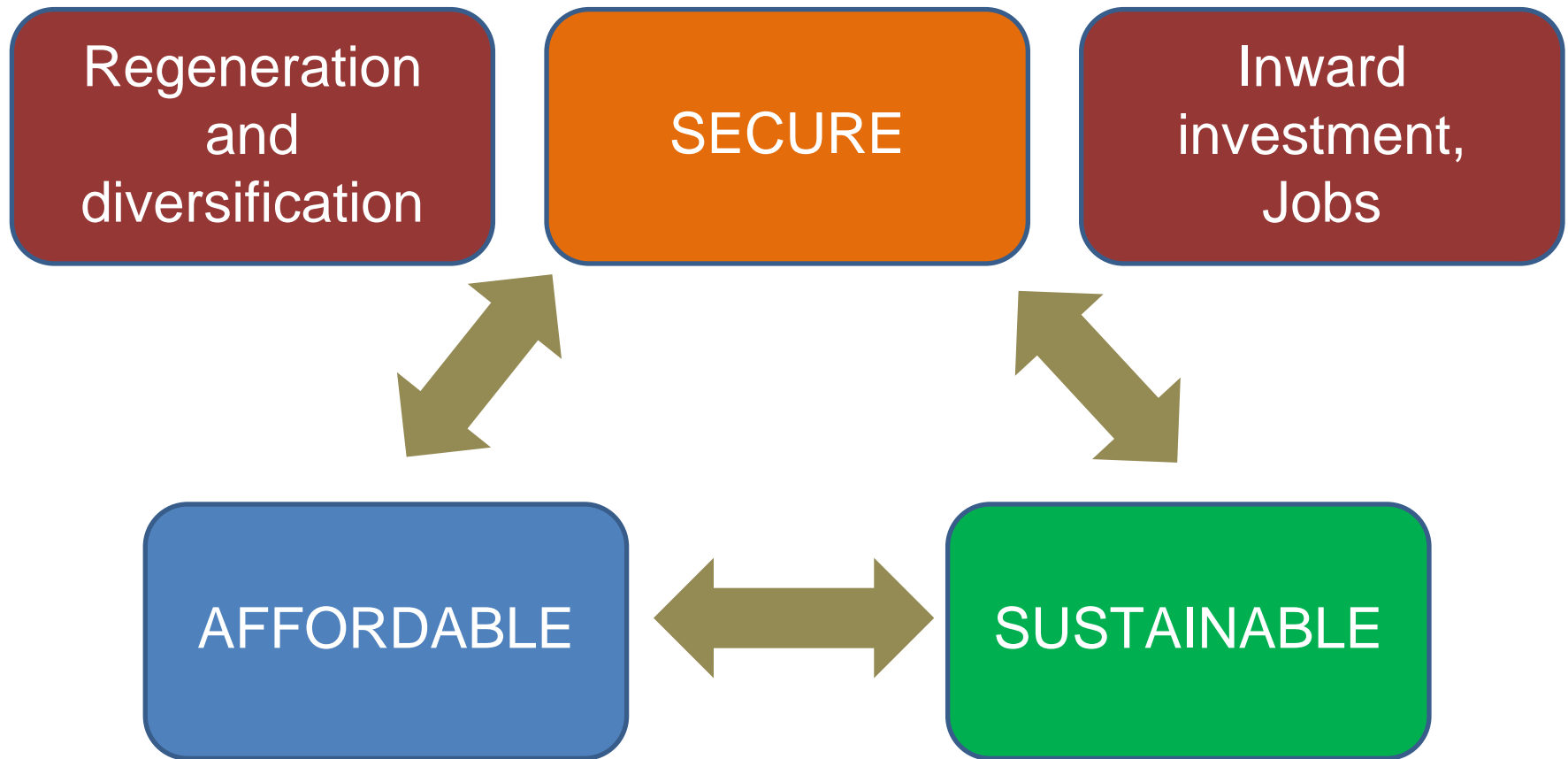
Conclusion



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Shaping the Future

The Royal Town Planning Institute
Manifesto for Planning



**So what does
the RTPI have
to say about
Renewable
Energy?**



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The Coalition:
our programme
for government

**OPEN SOURCE
PLANNING
GREEN PAPER**



Regional tier of planning
dismantled and Regional Spatial
Strategy revoked.

Localism, localism, localism.

Continued emphasis on
'Sustainable Development'.

Committed to a National Planning
Framework

Open source planning



Goals for planning

1. Standing up for planning

It supports the economy by aligning infrastructure (such as energy supply and communications) with economic development in the most effective way and by providing certainty for investors ~ not just business investors but ordinary people buying their own homes.



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Goals for planning

1. Standing up for planning
2. Making the system work better
3. Going beyond simply “sustainable development”

In times of limited funding, investment should be targeted on cutting carbon emissions, particularly in transport and energy.



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Goals for planning

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4. Empowering our communities
5. Providing better planning skills and resources





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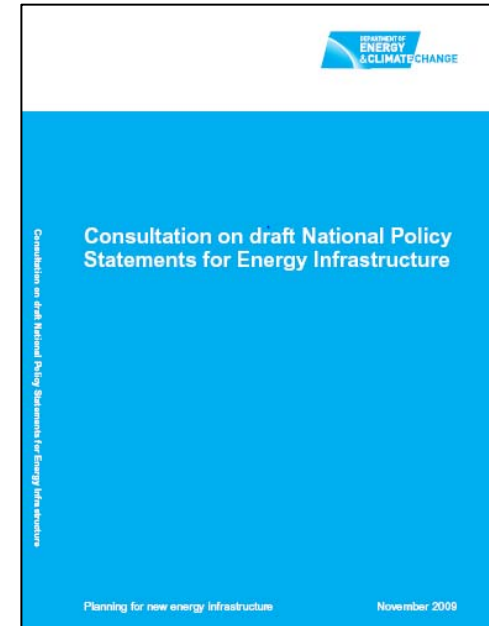
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Planning ahead

6. Supporting national spatial planning frameworks

7. Delivering infrastructure

Generation	Transmission	Distribution	Supply
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Planning ahead

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RSS transitional advice

‘Through their local plans, authorities should contribute to the move to a low carbon economy, cut green house gas emissions, help secure more renewable and low carbon energy to meet national targets, and to adapt the impacts arising from climate change.

In doing so planning authorities may find it useful to draw on data that was collected by the Regional Local Authority Leaders’ Boards and more recent work, including assessments of the potential for renewable and low carbon energy.’



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Planning ahead

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8. Strategic planning for strategic issues

9. Producing local plans for local issues



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Making the right decisions

- 10. Moving from development control to development management
- 11. Retaining independent examination of planning decisions
- 12. Securing spatial assessment of policies

Living globally

- 13. Acting globally
- 14. Planning for the long term



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The world faces major challenges where significant change is required in the development of human settlements and the provision of major infrastructure, food and energy supply. When **lead times for major investment can stretch over decades**, we need to look further forward with open minds beyond the terms of office of governments and conventional financial planning horizons. The more distant future is not certain enough for us to make detailed plans but we must start asking questions about the kind of future we wish to create. Climate change and the reducing availability of natural resources ~ especially oil ~ make **long-term planning** increasingly important. Although planning is often concerned with issues that are specific to local areas, it also has **wider national and global impacts**. This comes about not only by the cumulative impacts that development has across the world but also by **planners in different nations sharing their experiences and best practice to learn from each other and shape their own places more effectively**.

Policy considerations

The strategic policy vacuum;
NPS's being reviewed; awaiting the National Planning
Framework; beyond the local level?

Tensions between localism agenda and evidence base

Role of Local Enterprise Partnerships: Green Knowledge
Economy?

Consideration of buffer zones between turbines and
sensitive receptors – such as residential properties?

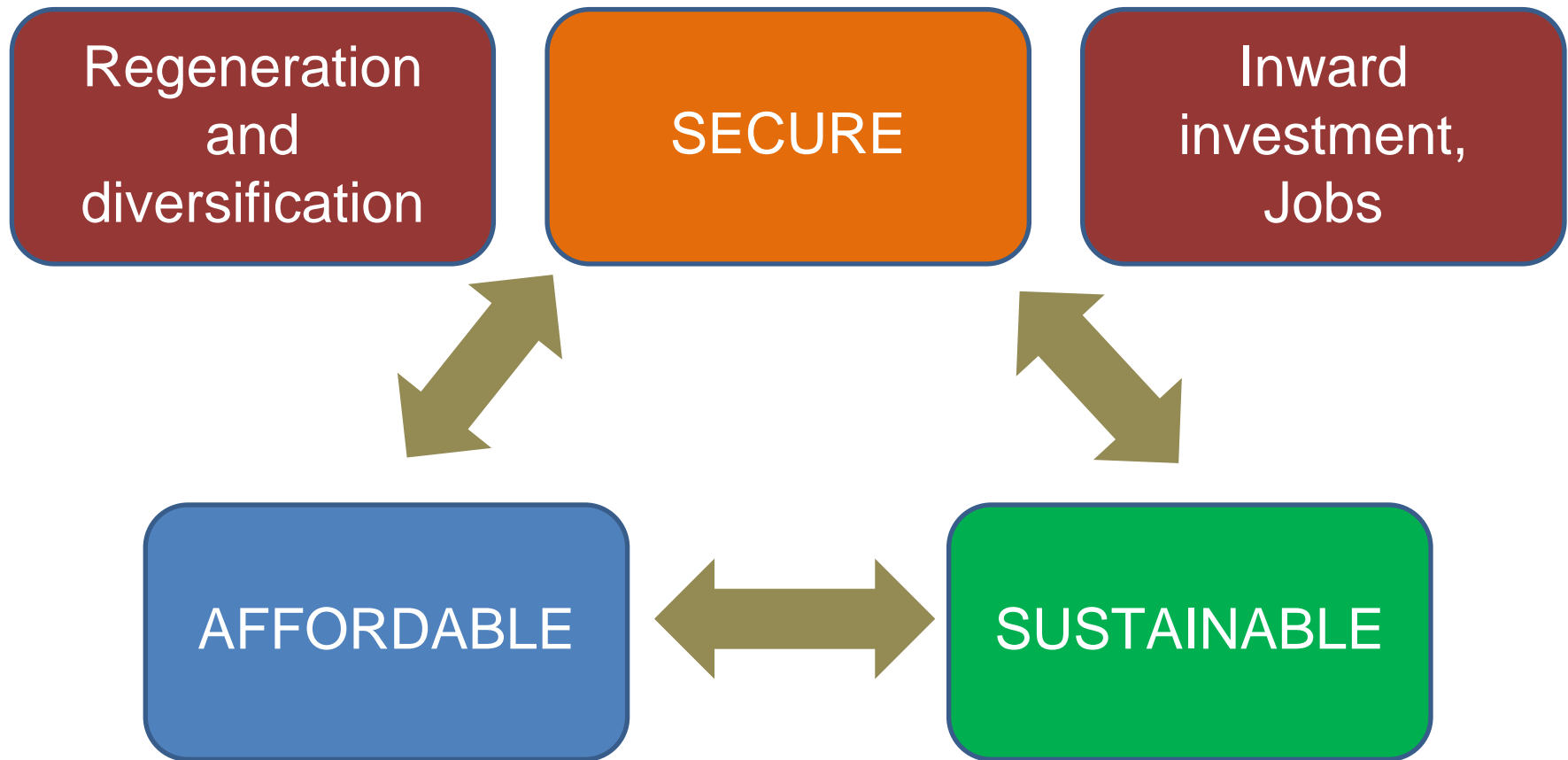
EIA Regulations?



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