



Footsteps
Faiths for a Low Carbon Future



SAVING ENERGY at FAITH BUILDINGS WORKSHOP

- Welcomes
- Footsteps' Energy assessment initiative background
- Case Studies
 - Al-Mahdi Institute
 - Acocks Green Baptist Church
 - Selly Oak Quaker Meeting House
 - Energy issues facing Hindhu temples
- Discussion
- Conclusions and Action Points

Energy Assessments have been undertaken for ..

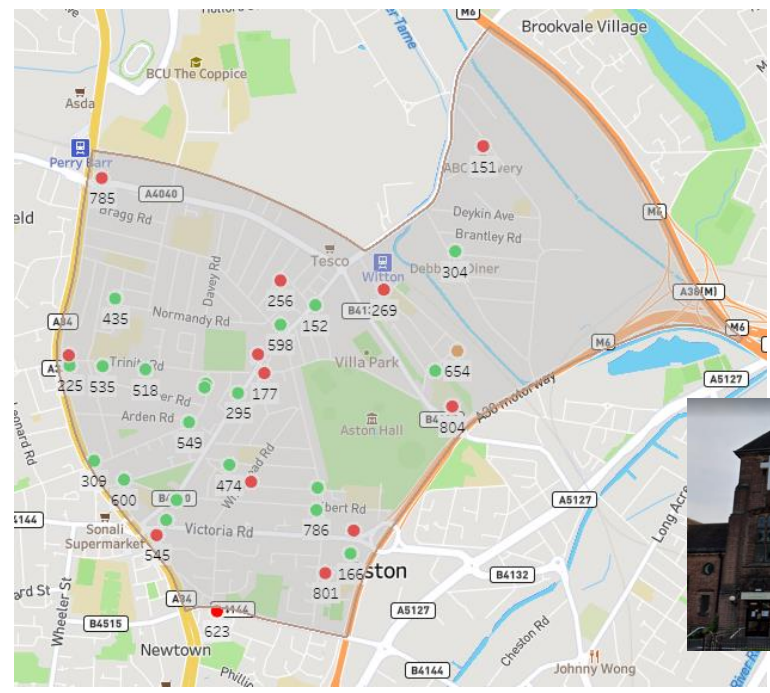
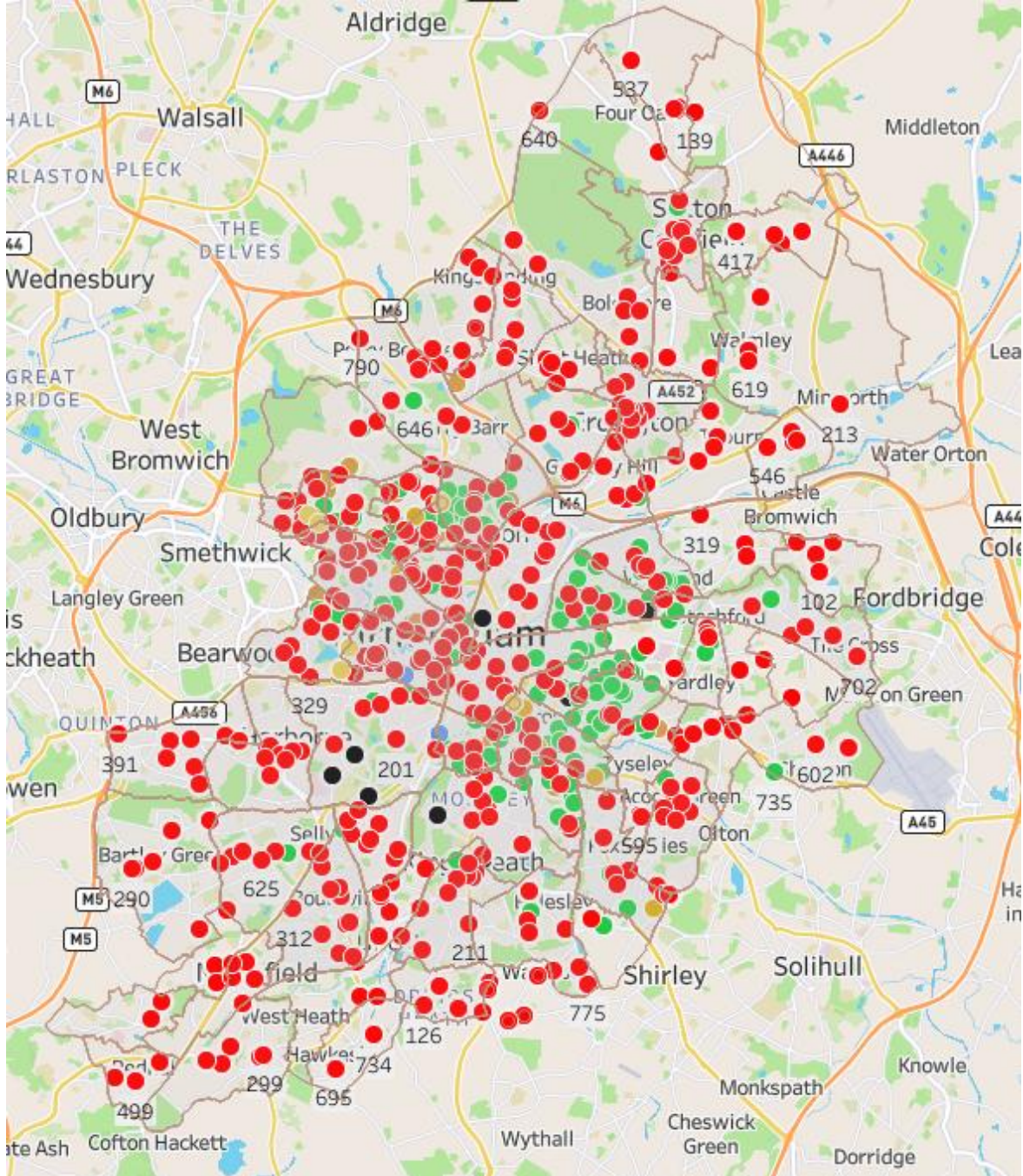
Bethany Pentecostal Church
Greek Cathedral of St Andrew and St
Mary
Lozells Methodist Church
Shree Ram Mandir
Selly Oak Quaker Meeting
Green Lane Masjid & Community Centre
Nishkam Centre
Interserve GBI
St John the Evangelist, Sparkhill

Al-Hijrah Mosque
Acocks Green Baptist Church
Hodge Hill Church
Al-Mahdi Institute
Sutton Coldfield United Reformed Church
Digbeth-In-The-Field United Reformed
Church
St Christopher, Springfield / Springfield
Centre
Hall Green United Community Church

**Some assessments have been more successful than others
in leading to reductions in energy use**

BCF Footsteps Faith Community Map

- 700+ Places of Worship in Birmingham
- Link to Google Streetview
- 15 energy assessments
- Doing more assessments
- Drawing lessons from assessments



Faith Community Map now on Council's City Observatory website

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BE BIRMINGHAM**

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INSIGHTS

We are committed to producing insights into key datasets and want to ensure data is presented in a meaningful way.

Our insights help gain a richer understanding of the city, and were made available, drill down within the 69 wards and/or to lower layer super output area level (LSOA).

So, why not be curious and explore our dashboards and insights created below.

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Housing Briefing Book

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BCF Footsteps Birmingham Faith Community map

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Dashboard

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Faith Buildings that 'look like' a mosque, church, gurdwara ..

'Traditional' churches with 'Cathedral' roofs



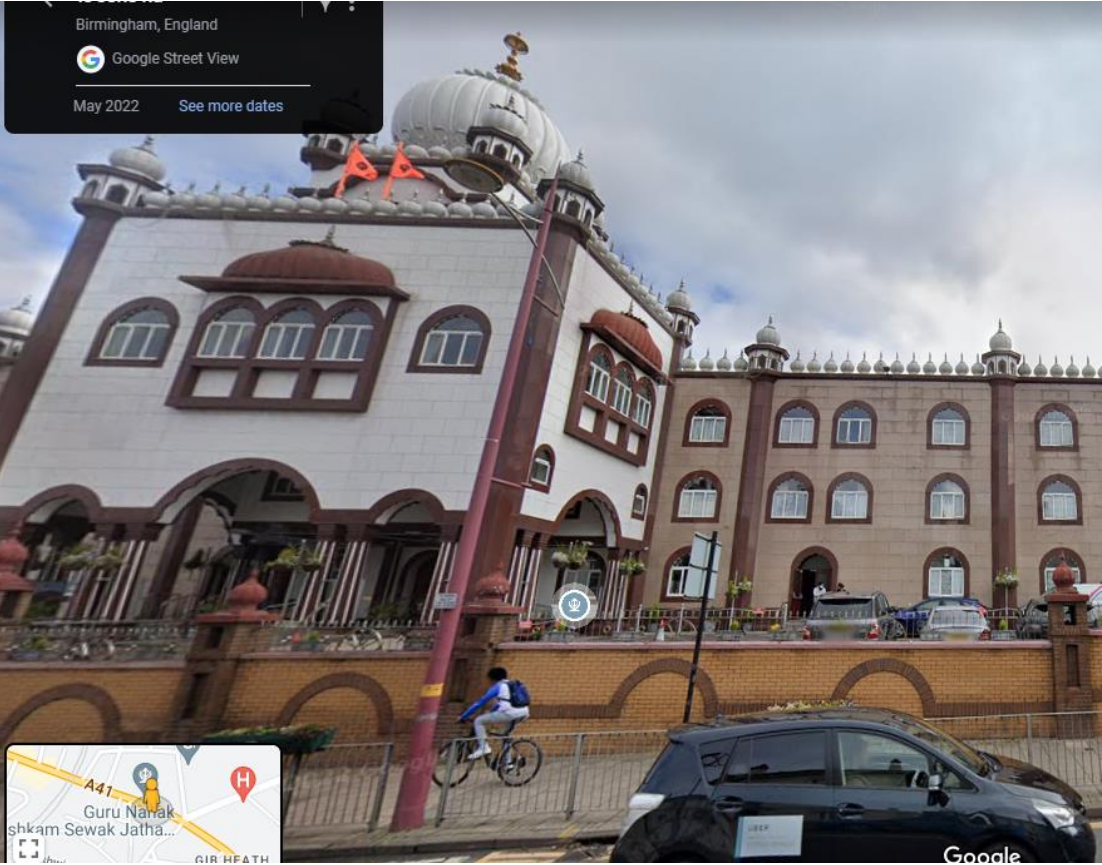
Greek Cathedral of St Andrew and St Mary*



Sutton Coldfield United Reformed Church*

Faith Buildings that 'look like' a mosque, church, gurdwara ..

'New build' mosques, churches, gurdwaras



Nanak Nishkam Sevak Jatha Gurdwara*
Soho Road

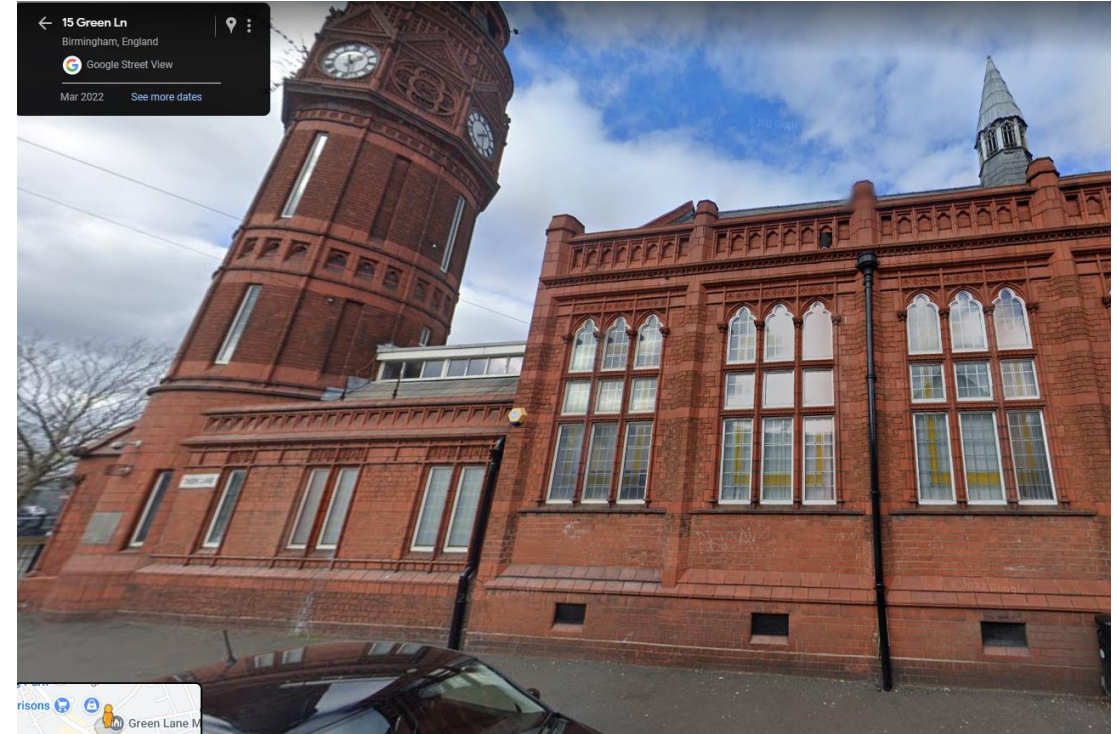


Birmingham Central Mosque
First purpose built mosque in Birmingham

Faith Buildings converted from original use

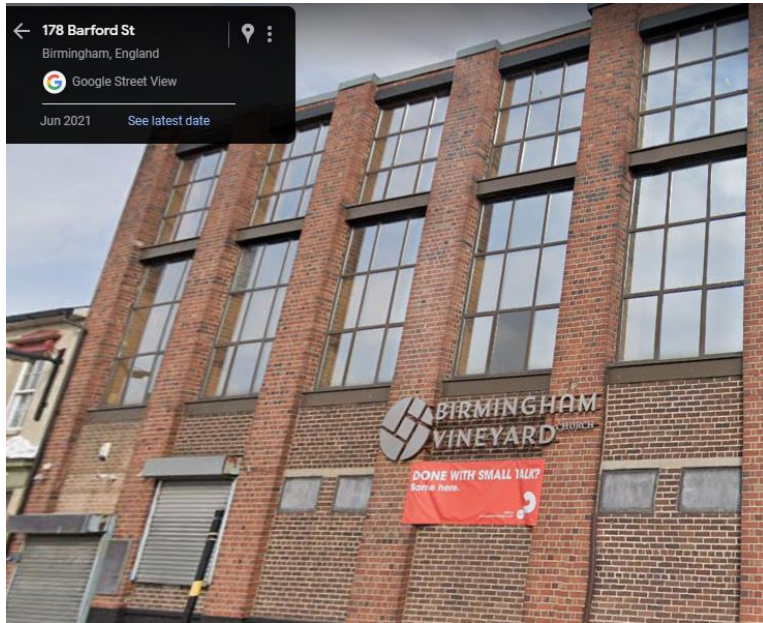


Shree Ram Mandir*
was originally a cinema



Green Lane Masjid and Community Centre*
Grade 2 Listed was public library and swimming baths.

Faith Buildings adapted from other uses



Vineyard church – warehousing



53 Church Vale Masjid - Detached house



Alhijrah Mosque complex* - Adapted from houses, school, hostel, light industrial premises

Many Birmingham Faith Buildings do not conform with the popular image of a mosque, church, gurdwara



Hall Green Community Church* multi-denominational Church formed from the coming together of Hall Green Methodist Church and Sparkhill United Church (Moravian/URC)

Reducing Energy Use in Faith Buildings

- **Different issues** associated with each building type
- Energy assessments provide a **Methodology**
- Phil's **energy saving hierarchy** can be applied to all building types
 - Use less energy, Use energy efficiently, Use lower carbon technology
- Type, age and condition of **heating system** is critical
- Energy assessment just the **first step**
- Turning an assessment into **action depends** on
 - Resources, commitment, leadership

Examples of Thermal Imaging Photos taken as part of Al-Mahdi Institute energy assessment

