

South Lanarkshire Sustainable Development Strategy

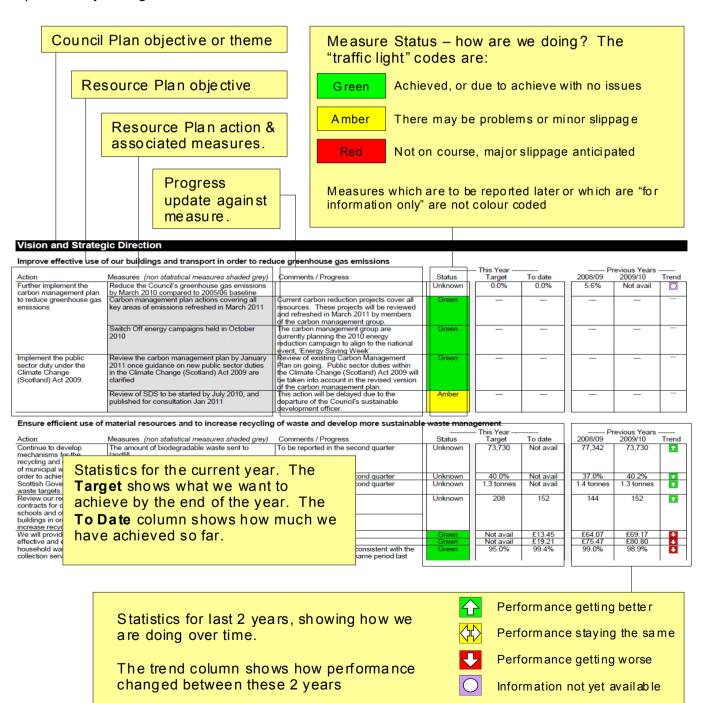


Performance Report Quarter 2 : 2017/18 - April to September



How to use this performance report

This performance report is intended to be both informative and easy to use. The guide below is designed to help you get the most out of the report and to answer the most common questions you might have.





Summary (level 1) - number of measures green, amber and red under each Sustainable Development objective

Sustainable Development Theme	Green	Amber	Red	To be reported later / Contextual	Total
Sustainable Council	8			3	11
Sustainable Environment	14	1		1	16
Sustainable Communities	13	2		3	18
Total	35	3	0	7	45

Sustainable Council

The council's carbon emissions are managed and reduced

Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Implement our Carbon Management Plan to reduce the council's carbon footprint in line with the Scottish Government's targets	10% reduction in the Council's greenhouse gas emissions achieved by March 2021, compared to 2015/16 (equivalent to 2% each year)	Carbon emissions in 2016-17 reduced by 7.8% compared with the previous year. Reductions reduced across all sources - energy, waste, street lighting, fleet and staff travel. There has been a reduction of 28.9% in the Council's greenhouse gas emissions since the baseline of 2005/06. This brings reductions in line with the Scottish government targets of a 42% reduction by 2020, with a baseline year of 1990.	Report Later	10.0%				7.8%
	Compliance with Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) scheme achieved within deadlines	Our 2016-17 Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) annual report was submitted by the 31st July 2017 deadline. A total of 50,664 allowances are required for the compliance year. Allowances for 2016-17 were purchased in the 2016 presale at a cost of £16.10 each, and allowances for 2017-18 and 2018-19 were purchased in the 2017 presale at a cost of £16.60 each. By purchasing early, significant savings are made, as the prices increase in each subsequent sale.	Green					
Continue to implement energy efficiency measures across council facilities including investment in renewable and low carbon energy solutions	% reduction in energy consumption across the energy portfolio	Measure to be reported at year end. Regular monitoring of all utilities, with analysis of highs and lows, is carried out through our Energy Team. Work across our entire portfolio of buildings, both domestic and non-domestic to make them more energy efficient, forms a large part of our annual Housing Investment and Capital Projects.	Report Later					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
	Agree 2017/18 CEEF Programme with CMT	A successful bid to the Scottish Executive in 2004-05 established SLC's Central Energy Efficiency Fund (CEEF). A subsequent report covering 2017 was agreed by CMT in March 2017. Projects progressing include upgrading of LED lights within Principal Offices and installation of PV panels in a further four Primary Schools.	Green					
Implement measures within the council's fleet to contribute to the Scottish Government's ambition of the decarbonisation of road transport	Implement fuel efficiency measures to achieve a 4% reduction in vehichle emissions by March 2018 (relative to baseline year of 2014-15) (council wide figure)	Year to date, there has been a 15.2% reduction in Council vehicle emissions relative to the baseline year of 2014-15, suggesting that the 4% target will be achieved.	Green	4.0%	15.2%	0.0%	0.0%	6.0%

The council is environmentally responsible in the procurement, use and disposal of resources

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Continue to develop	Implement the Procurement Strategy Action	All actions within the Procurement Strategy	Green					
procurement processes	Plan	Action Plan undertaken within agreed timescales.						
to improve								
environmental outcomes		The process of review is well underway with						
and ensure compliance		activities commenced in all but one council						
with the council's		Resource. Work in the remaining Resource will						
sustainable procurement		commence before the end of October 2017.						
duty								
Create a culture of	Manage and deliver sustainable IT services	Actioned across the corporate IT Infrastructure to	Green					
resource efficiency in the		comply with the Carbon Reduction Plan.						
workplace								

The public sector climate change duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

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Sustainable Council

The public sector climate change duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Ensure the council is compliant with the public sector climate change duties	Council's performance in complying with public sector climate change duties evaluated and annual statutory Climate Change Duties Report published by 30th November 2017	The annual evaluation of the Council's performance in complying with public sector climate change duties will be carried out in October 2017. The draft annual statutory Climate Change Duties Report is now completed and in the committee process for approval. It will be presented to Executive Committee on 8th November, prior to submission to the Scottish Government by 30th November 2017.	Green					
	Participate in 'Climate Ready Clyde' partnership during 2017-18	The Terms of Reference, Memorandum of Understanding, and governance arrangements have now been developed for the partnership. The latest board meeting was held on 6th September 2017 and work has already commenced within the following three sub-groups: Executive; Risk and Vulnerability Assessment; and Impact, Influence and Engagement.	Green					
Use sustainable development as a guiding principle in council plans, policies and strategies and include environmental	Strategic Environmental Assessments undertaken on all appropriate plans and strategies, as statutorily required	Fifteen policies, plans, programmes and strategies have been subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) since April 2017. All SEAs are regularly monitored by the Corporate SEA Working Group which has met three times since April 2017.	Green					
considerations	Annual report for Executive Committee and other governance groups on number and outcomes of Strategic Environmental Assessments carried out within the Council prepared by March 2018	The annual report for SEAs carried out in 2016-17 was presented to the Executive Committee meeting in August 2017. The report will be presented to the Sustainable Development Member Officer Group on 31 October 2017. The report covering 2017-18 will be prepared at the end of March 2018.	Report Later					

Sustainable Environment

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Sustainable Environment

South Lanarkshire's natural environment is protected, enhanced and respected

Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Review and assess air	Implementation of Air Quality Action Plan by	The delivery of the Air Quality Action Plan	Green					
quality throughout South Lanarkshire in the line	March 2018	measures are progressing.						
with our Air Quality		The Vehicle Emissions Testing Programme has						
Strategy		been completed with 955 vehicles tested. The						
		engine idling campaign is due to commence over						
		the winter period. School workshops and a						
		walking/cycling campaign are due to commence						
		this quarter. A joint flooding / air quality and						
		biodiversity green infrastructure pilot project is						
	Submit the progress report on air quality	due to be developed over the next quarter. The 2017 annual progress report on air quality	Green					
	across South Lanarkshire to the Scottish	has been submitted and accepted by the Scottish	Orcon					
	Government by March 2018	Government.						
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		Work has commenced on data gathering to						
		inform the 2018 report.						
Ensure our planning and	Implement the Contaminated Land Strategy	Implementation of the Contaminated Land	Green					
land use policies protect and enhance the natural	for South Lanarkshire	Strategy is ongoing.						
environment, ecosystem		The Council submitted licence surrender reports						
services and encourage		for two historical landfill sites at Newlandsmuir						
sustainable development		and Markethill (both in East Kilbride). SEPA have						
		requested a time extension to review the						
		applications. Licence surrender will facilitate						
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	Strategic Development Plan prepared for adoption by Clydeplan Group by December	The Strategic Development Plan (Clydeplan) was approved (adopted) by Scottish Ministers on 24th	Green					
	2017	July 2017.						
Continue to measure	Updated biennial State of the Environment	The 2017 edition of the State of the Environment	Green					
progress and report on	report finalised by December 2017	Report is being prepared. It is anticipated that it						
the state of South		will be presented to the Community and						
Lanarkshire's		Enterprise Resource SMT in October 2017, prior						
environment		to being presented to CMT, and reported to						
		Executive Committee by the end of the year.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Meet our statutory biodiversity duty by implementing our Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan which will enhance and protect biodiversity through managing our own estate	Deliver South Lanarkshire Council Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan and prepare and submit three yearly monitoring report to Scottish Government by January 2018	The South Lanarkshire Council Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan 2012-2015 has been delivered. A questionnaire has been issued to all SLC Resources to collate data for the report to the Scottish Government on implementation of the Biodiversity Duty in the last three years (2015-17). A new South Lanarkshire Council Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan has been developed for 2018-2021, and will be submitted to	Green					
Contribute to South Lanarkshire Biodiversity Partnership's action plan ensuring ecosystems are used sustainably and strengthened	Database updated and information used to establish priority areas for treatment and ongoing assessment of invasive plants	Committee for approval in January 2018. Ongoing activity. Over 250 knotweed sites are currently being treated.	Green					
In partnership with local communities, continue to enchance South Lanarkshire's	Phase 1 of Management Plan at Millheugh/ Greenhall Estate implemented by March 2018 (includes woodland restructuring and recreational access improvements)	At Millheugh/Greenhall Estate, forestry extraction is now completed and footpath regeneration work is well underway. Expecting to complete this phase of the project by early November 2017.	Green					
greenspace whilst improving recreational access	Phase 2 of Chatelherault landscape and access regeneration project implemented (includes restructuring of footpath network, replacing and repairing of footbridges, woodland restructuring, and invasive species treatments)	At Chatelherault, timber extraction component is completed and procurement is underway for path regeneration contracts. Expecting path works to start in November 2017, with completion by March 2018.	Green					
	Phase 1 of Management Plan for Mauldslie and West Brownlie Woods implemented by March 2018 (includes woodland restructuring and recreational access improvements)	Grant secured and tenders issued for improvements at Mauldslie and West Brownlie Woods. Currently assessing scope of possible work within available budgets, prior to issuing contracts.	Green					
	Funding applications completed for Bothwell and Blantyre Woods by March 2018, through continued liaison with various 'Friends of' groups	Funding applications for Bothwell and Blantyre Woods not yet started due to the pressures of other projects - Chatelherault and Greenhall / Millheugh - but initial applications will be made this year.	Report Later					

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Action Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey) Comments/ Progress Status Target To Date 2014/15 2015/16 2016/17

South Lanarkshire's enhanced environment provides health and wellbeing benefits to local communities

Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Continue to develop the Greenspace Strategic Partnership to enable people to learn, play and be physically active outdoors in South Lanarkshire	Continued delivery of healthy walking opportunities throughout South Lanarkshire via the Get Walking Lanarkshire initiative	The healthy walking programme continues across both North and South Lanarkshire. Statistics for 2017 not yet available, but interim figures will be reported in third quarter.	Green					
Work in partnership to develop and implement South Lanarkshire's Outdoor access strategy	Outdoor Access Strategy developed and approved by Committee by December 2017 with implementation thereafter	Draft Outdoor Access Strategy is currently in preparation. The Strategic Environment Assessment process has been completed, work on the main sections of the consultative draft of the Strategy now underway. Strategy will be completed and approved by March 2018.	Amber					
	Continue investigation into partnership and external funding opportunities for extension of Clyde Walkway to link with neighbouring long distance routes - proposal paper for Community Services Committee submitted by March 2018	Consultations with community councils and other stakeholders complete. Sources of funding now being identified.	Green					
Continue to educate our young people about the local environment in which they live and encourage them to reduce the impacts they have upon it	Continue to increase climate change awareness and sustainability in education establishments	Schools will incorporate climate change awareness content into their curriculum, using programmes and initiatives to support their work. This will be supported by the Curriculum and Quality Improvement Service throughout session 2017-18.	Green					
Provide environmental volunteering opportunities and support community groups to manage local environmental projects	2,000 volunteer days achieved as part of Environmental Volunteer programme by March 2018	This figure includes only the directly supported Countryside and Greenspace volunteer teams. The final figure collated at the end of the year will include volunteer figures from community group partners.	Green	2,000	600	4,796	2,020	4,369

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Homes and communities are energy efficient, environmentally sustainable, and fuel poverty is minimised

			This Year				Last 3 Year	s
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Continue to invest in energy efficiency measures in council homes including improvements to the fabric of the building, installation of affordable low carbon heating and the use of renewable technologies	% of council dwellings that are meeting the Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing (EESSH) (LGBF)	Target achieved and improved position on year end.	Green	86.00%	87.19%	0.00%	82.38%	86.10%
Work in partnership to provide advice and support to local communities to help increase energy efficiency at home and minimise fuel poverty	Assist/support households to access schemes available to help address fuel poverty issues	Measure to be reported at year end.	Report Later					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Continue to divert waste from landfill by providing and encourageing the effective use of household waste management services across South Lanarkshire	Ongoing education and awareness undertaken and waste service procedures reviewed to promote waste minimisation, reuse and recycling within local communities	The Waste service is currently preparing to replace co-mingled recycling with dual stream recycling in flats within the Strathaven area. It is anticipated that this will improve the yields and quality of the recyclable material collected from these properties. The Waste Education team have prepared information that will assist residents make full use of the new recycling system.	Green					
	Performance of waste and recycling contracts monitored and internal monthly updates developed on performance within each contract	Regular monthly / bi monthly meetings take place with contractors, and issues relating to performance are monitored. Corrective action is taken on matters raised within monthly reports where necessary.	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
	Waste audits undertaken and waste collection arrangements reviewed in council buildings, identifying opportunities to reduce	Waste audits to be arranged for later in financial year.	Report Later					
	residual waste and increase recycling							
	The percentage of total household waste arising that is recycled (Council target is 50% in line with Government target)	Year to date percentage of total household waste recycled will be reported in quarter three.	Report Later	50.0%		45.0%	49.0%	53.1%
Work in partnership to ensure that local infrastructure is resilient to the impacts of climate change	Prioritised flood protection projects / studies delivered by March 2018 in line with available capital / revenue funding	Borgie Glen (Cambuslang) - Inlet trash screen replacement and access improvement works (contract awarded, pre-works to address invasive species have commenced with main works due to start October 2017). Station Gate (Netherburn) - Creation of flood storage areas and watercourse diversion works (awaiting SEPA licence, scope of work has been amended and mini-tender will be carried out in September 2017).	Green					
		Coulter - Installation of flood fencing to divert flood flows away from properties and roads (design to be finalised and landowner agreement required, then mini tender to appoint contractor).						
		Jervsiwood Drive, Cleghorn - Use of Groundwater Dynamics technique to increase infiltration potential within agricultural land to reduce flood risk from overland flow (sole supplier paperwork approved, test drilling completed and design underway).						
		Purchase of flood barriers for use at Rosebank/A72 and other locations as required.						
		Project at Hallside Burn (Halfway), proposed to be carried out by Dundas Homes on behalf of Council as part of their development, has been postponed due to landownership issues.						

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Action	Participate in Local Flood Risk Management Districts, namely Clyde and Loch Lomond led by Glasgow City Council and Tweed led by Scottish Borders Council	The Local Flood Risk Management Plans (LFRMPs) were published on 22 June 2016 in accordance with the statutory dates. Information and links to the relevant documents have been uploaded onto the Council website. Council officers continue to participate in Tweed Local Plan District meetings and the Clyde and Loch Lomond (CaLL) Senior Officers Group as we embark upon the next Flood Risk Management planning cycle. SLC continue to have a presence on the CaLL Joint Committee which will continue to be in place during the next six year cycle. Initial work has begun on some of the flood studies and Surface Water Management Plans - these are council actions within the published Local Flood Risk Management Plans and require to be completed within the first six year planning	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
	Watercourse Clearance and Repair undertaken in line with current requirements	A schedule of watercourse clearance and repair works has been drafted and is located within Fileplan. This will be updated as required and satisfies the relevant Council duties under Section 18 of the Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act.	Green					
		This schedule will not be our complete programme of works. It includes only works that have been identified as being required to reduce flood risk.						
		Guidance on local authority duties relating to inspecting watercourses and undertaking clearance and repair works has finally been published by the Scottish Government. This document is currently being reviewed and its recommendations will be implemented as required.						
Help to reduce vehicle emissions and congestion and connect our communities through infrastructure improvement projects in favour of, and integration between, walking, cycling and using public transport	Prioritised improvements to bus and rail infrastructure (e.g. park and ride) delivered by March 2018 in line with available external funding	A number of Park and Ride and Interchange projects being reviewed. These are at Lanark, Carstairs Junction, East Kilbride and Cambuslang. The construction of 155 space extension is currently underway at Newton Station and the completion of the project is scheduled for October 2017. Approximately 15 advertising bus shelters are proposed to be replaced this year. Discussions with the current shelter owners are ongoing and	Amber					
		a programme of works is currently being considered between various parties. It is anticipated that works will be completed in March 2018.						

That council's strategies, plans and policies support communities to live more sustainably, reduce carbon emissions and adapt to a changing climate

			This Year		Last 3 Years		'S	
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
	Development of Park and Ride Strategy	A number of Park and Ride and Interchange projects being reviewed. These are at Lanark, Carstairs Junction, East Kilbride and Cambuslang.	Amber					
Work in partnership to support and encourage sustainable travel choices for people within South Lanarkshire, with emphasis on walking and cycling promoting a healthier lifestyle	Walking and cycling projects/schemes delivered in line with the agreed 2017/18 capital programme	Cycle route works are substantially complete to upgrade NCN74 at Tieglum Road in Lesmahagow and to provide a new cycle network in the Calderwood Road area of East Kilbride. Cycle monitoring equipment as well as cycle shelters at various locations will be installed this year. A consultant will be appointed to identify a possible cycle network for Hamilton and these will inform the design of a future network for the town.	Green					
Encourage sustainable production and consumption in the business community and support the growth of a low carbon industry in South Lanarkshire	East Kilbride Task Force Action Plan implemented	Work ongoing with East Kilbride Task Force partners to refresh action plan and refocus the work of the Task Force.	Green					

Local communities are supported in taking action to be more environmentally responsible

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16 2	2016/17
Communicate and engage with communities on environmental and climate change mitigation and adaption issues empowering further local action	Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-22 (and accompanying communications plan) approved by Executive Committee by December 2017	Development of the new strategy is progressing well. The draft strategy has now been approved by the Executive Committee. Consultation to be held during October 2017.	Green					

IMPROVe - SLC Performance Management System

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Embed sustainability and climate change in the school curriculum and continue to engage young people in environmental education through Eco Schools and similar programmes	Further embed climate change awareness and sustainability in Curriculum for Excellence	Increasingly, schools will incorporate sustainability content into their curriculum, using programmes and initiatives to support their work. This will be supported by the Curriculum and Quality Improvement Service throughout session 2017-18.	Green					
	Continue to support involvement in programmes and initiatives that help reduce climate change including Eco-schools programme; Earth Hour and Globally Aware Schools	Schools continue to support involvement in programmes and initiatives that help reduce climate change. This will continue to be supported by the Curriculum and Quality Improvement Service throughout session 2017-18.	Green					
	Maintain 100% Eco School Scotland registration and increase percentage of establishments with bronze, silver and green flag awards	SLC continues to maintain its 100% registration with Eco-Schools Scotland. Currently 168 schools are registered: 133 have bronze awards; 119 have silver awards and 73 have Green Flag awards. Those schools with Green Flags are maintaining their standards to meet Green Flag level at each check up. In addition an increasing number of Early Years Partner providers have registered with Eco Schools: 40 are registered; 23 have bronze awards; 17 have silver awards and 8 have Green Flags. Young people in SLC are very aware of their eco responsibilities and share what they have learned with their parents.	Green	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Devise and implement	Tourism Strategy delivered via Lanarkshire	The refreshed Lanarkshire Tourism Action Plan is	Green					
policies to promote	Area Tourism Partnership	now launched and available and clearly aligns						
sustainable tourism that		local actions to the national tourism strategy. It						
creates jobs and		focuses on priorities and practical opportunities						
promotes local culture and products		for businesses to ensure they are fully engaged.						
		We have recently completed an Accessible						
		Tourism phase 1 project which has created 100						
		access guides covering the majority of						
		Lanarkshire's tourism assets, 39 of these are in						
		South Lanarkshire. The aim of the guides is to						
		maximise independence and choice for disabled						
		people in accessing their local area and the						
		places we all want to visit. As well as being						
		socially desirable, this project represents a						
		significant marketing opportunity for Lanarkshire.						
		The Partnership is currently assessing the						
		possibility of a second phase extension to this						
		project.						
		Given limited financial resources, the strategic						
		focus will continue to be on enhancing the digital						
		offering at both an individual business and						
		regional level. During the year, the Partnership						
		has engaged the digital services of VisitScotland						
		to market Lanarkshire video campaign content						
		within their national digital channels and this has						
		increased the reach of our marketing efforts.						
		City Deal – the tourism thematic group last met						
		on the 18th July 2017. Work on a draft regional						
		tourism strategy is ongoing. An action plan will						
		be prepared once the strategy is finalised.						

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