



Public Sector Climate Change Duties 2018/19 Summary Report: South Lanarkshire Council

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### OTHER NOTABLE REPORTABLE ACTIVITY

## Q1 Historic Emissions (Local Authorities only)

Please indicate emission amounts and unit of measurement (e.g. tCO2e) and years. Please provide information on the following components using data from the links provided below. Please use (1) as the default unless targets and actions relate to (2).

(1) UK local and regional CO2 emissions: **subset dataset** (emissions within the scope of influence of local authorities):

Sector	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Units
Total Emissions	2,017.1	2,000.8	1,768.2	1,840.0	1,674.4	1,740.8	1,674.1	1,485.3	1,416.0	1,321.4	1,300.7	ktCO2
Industry and Commercial	765.0	762.6	615.6	645.8	580.0	605.3	565.7	498.2	445.5	380.5	377.0	ktCO2
Domestic	841.7	848.3	769.0	813.1	723.7	772.3	749.4	624.0	604.0	566.4	541.4	ktCO2
Transport total	410.4	390.0	383.6	381.1	370.7	363.3	659.0	363.0	366.4	374.5	382.3	ktCO2
Per Capita	6.5	6.4	5.7	5.9	5.3	5.5	5.3	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.1	tCO2
Waste												tCO2e
LULUCF Net Emissions												ktCO2

Please de	etail your wider influence targets								
Sector	Description	Type of Target (units)	Baseline value		Target saving	Target / End Year	Saving in latest year measured	year measured	
Waste	50% recycling/composting for all household waste	Other	39.7	2013- 14	50	2019- 2020	44.90	2018-19	Contained within The Council Plan Connect 2017-2022. Measure values are given as % of household waste recycled / composted
Waste	A reduction in the amount of municipal waste that is sent to landfill in 2018-19 compared with 2017-18	Tonnes of landfill waste	94,137	2017- 18		2018- 19	28,343	2018-19	Contained within the Service Plan for Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services 2018-19. Measure values are given as number of tonnes of landfill waste
Energy Efficiency	% of Council dwellings that are meeting the Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing (EESHH)	Other	2018-19	2015- 16	90.70		91.10	2018-19	Contained within the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy report 2018-19. Measure values are given as % of non-exempt council housing stock that meet EESSH.
Transport	Percentage driver journeys delayed due to congestion.	Other	11.5	2009	11	2023	19.2	2017	Contained within the State of Environment Report.  Measure values are given as % of journeys delayed due to congestion.  The percentage of journeys delayed by traffic congestion in South Lanarkshire has increased by +7.7%, from 11.5% in 2009, to 19.2% in 2017.  The Road Traffic Reduction Act 1997 requires councils to monitor traffic growth, assess current traffic levels, forecast future trends in traffic growth and set targets to reduce growth in the future.  By reducing congestion, journey times are reduced, thus reducing emissions.  Monitored via automatic traffic counters at strategic locations.
Transport (active travel)	Local Transport Strategy - policy 36: The Council will contribute towards the achievement of the national cycling target of 10% of	Other	0.8	2010	10	2020	0.5	2018	Measure values are given as % of journeys made by bike The Scottish Governments "Cycling Action Plan for Scotland" sets out the vision that by

	all trips being made by bike by the year 2020							2020 10% of everyday journeys will be by bike.
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Q2b) Does the Organisation have an overall mission statement, strategies, plans or policies outlining ambition to influence emissions beyond your corporate boundaries? If so, please detail this in the box below.

The Council Plan 'Connect 2017-2022' The Council Plan: 'Connect 2017-2022' Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-2022
Local Housing Strategy Local Transport Strategy

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# Q3) Policies and Actions to Reduce Emissions

Sector	Start year of policy/action implemented	Annual CO2 saving once fully implemented (tCO2)	Latest Year measured	Saving in latest year measured (tCO2)	Status of policy or action (Proposed/ Budget/Secured/ In implementation/ Complete)	Metric / indicators for monitoring progress	Please give further details of this behaviour change activity	Value of Investment (£)	Ongoing Costs (£/ year)	Primary Funding Source of Policy/ Action	Comments
Electricity/ heat	2018				Pilot		Local Housing and Energy Efficiency Strategy pilot		£53,000	Scottish Government's s Energy Efficient Scotland Transition Fund	The pilot has a dual focus:-  Locational - low-regrets Low and Zero Carbon (LZC) options, for example roof insulation, cavity wall insulation and solar panels, within accessible rural and remote rural off-gas grid settlements.  Sectorial - private rented sector (PRS) across South Lanarkshire, with particular focus on multi-tenure factored and tenement management scheme flatted blocks.
Buildings	2018 - 2019		2018		In Implementation	Increase in number of properties in EPC bands A – C from 85.01% in 2017/18 to 87.34% in 2018/19. Data calculated and held in Codeman Asset Management Database	Housing Investment Programme 2018/19 - Increase the percentage of SLC housing stock in EPC Bands A to C		£24.487m invested in 2018/19 on internal and external refurbish ments	Housing Revenue Account	The EPC measures the energy efficiency rating of a property. Each domestic property in SLC has an RdSAP rating which is calculated and banded from A being very energy efficient (lower running costs) to G not energy efficient (higher running costs).
Buildings	2018 - 2019	5363	2018	179	In Implementation	111 – SLC properties 164 – Privately owned properties signed off in 2018/19	Housing Investment Programme 2018/19 - Maximise the number of non-traditional		£2.4m	Housing Revenue Account for SLC tenanted	Installation of external wall insulation should reduce fuel bills and increase comfort in a home while reducing carbon

						Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	properties having external wall insulation installed		properties/HE EPS:ABS grant, ECO funding and owners' contributions from private owners	emissions by lowering the demand for heat.  Carbon reductions split SLC – 72 p/a, 2165 total Private – 107p/a, 3198 total
Buildings	2018 - 2019	180	2018	12	In Implementation	8 properties upgraded within a communal central heating system  Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	Housing Investment Programme 2018/19 - Upgrade communal heating system in Wellbeck House Sheltered Housing Complex	£0.162m	Housing Revenue Account	Upgrading of communal boiler, including radiators, controls and thermostatic radiator valves in individual properties.
Buildings	2018 - 2019	37373	2018	2492	In implementation	1,661 properties signed off in 2018/19 Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	Housing investment programme 2018/19 - Upgrading inefficient gas boilers to new A rated high efficiency condensing boilers	£5.81m	Housing Revenue Account	Increase energy efficiency of tenant's homes by upgrading gas boilers to high efficiency condensing boilers where properties are on the gas grid
Buildings	2018 - 2019	1504	2018	75	In implementation	47 properties signed off in 2018/19  Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	Housing investment programme 2018/19 - Installation of Air Source Heat Pump heating systems	£0.35m	Housing Revenue Account	Increase energy efficiency of tenant's homes by upgrading electric/oil fired/solid fuel heating systems to high efficiency Air Source Heat Pumps where properties are off the gas grid
Buildings	2018 - 2019	1920	2018	96	In implementation	64 new build properties have PV panels installed in 2018/19  Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	Housing investment programme 2018/19 - Installation of Photovoltaic Panels	£0.30m	Housing Revenue Account	PV panels are installed on new build properties to generate electricity and reduce the demand for electricity being drawn from the grid. PV panels are a low carbon method of generating electricity.
Buildings	2018 - 2019	304	2018	15	In implementation	152 properties signed off in 2018/19  Carbon reduction measured in tonnes	Housing investment programme 2018/19 - Installation of uPVC double glazed windows and composite external doors	£0.50m	Housing Revenue Account	In order to reduce draughts and make tenants homes more energy efficient uPVC double glazed windows and composite external doors are installed to replace existing timber windows

						and doors.
Strategic Cycle Infrastruct ure	2018		East Kilbride Cycle Network construction	£130k	Strathclyde Partnership for Transpo (SPT) Sustrans CWSS	This project delivered cycling infrastructure improvements including sections of new remote cyclepath / footpath, improvements to existing footways to allow cyclists to use them, the provision of cyclist friendly toucan crossings and sections on existing, safe, quiet residential streets or lightly trafficked, low speed, rural roads.
Strategic Cycle Infrastruct ure	2018		Installation of cycle and scooter shelters and cycle monitoring equipment	£80k	Strathclyde Partnership for Transpo (SPT) Sustrans CWSS	Provision of cycle storage at locations that are trip generators and at local schools were installed.
Transport	2018	Bus Infrastructure Improvements	Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)	£105k	at bus stops throughou works delivered in prev shelters were installed borders were provided makes bus travel more improving the quality of bus borders and footwa access for people with	providing improved infrastructure South Lanarkshire, building on ous years with SPT funding. New and improved footways and bus where appropriate. This project attractive and convenient, by bus stop infrastructure including y improvements thereby improving mobility difficulties, and will shift of people to more sustainable
Transport	2018	Park and Ride study, design and application	Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)	£70k	state that "We will invest and ride facilities in Sor sustainable multi modal developments on the racore activity in the Regiprojects are seen as a	ort Strategy (LTA 32) the Council stigate the further provision of park at Lanarkshire to facilitate journeys" and promoting il network is detailed as a SPT onal Transport Strategy. These high priority in the SPT delivery to national outcome 14 (i.e. We

					reduce the local and global environmental impact of our consumption and production). The proposal will assist in integrating different transport services and infrastructure in the Hamilton West, Carstairs and Cambuslang areas. Improving rail facilities will encourage rail usage and behaviour change and therefore reduce the volume of vehicles trips on the network and consequently reduce emissions.
Transport	2018	Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance		£25k	In order to consider potential solutions to transport issues within the Clydesdale area, the Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance process must be undertaken. This help to identify potential issues and solutions including improvements to public transport and sustainable transport. This will assist in prioritising schemes for future sustainable travel projects therefore assisting in reducing vehicle trips and carbon emissions.
Transport	2018	Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure	Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)	£181k	Upgrade 37 existing charging units and introduce 3 new fast charging units for electric vehicles at various car parks. Encouraging the use of electric vehicles by providing charging points at convenient locations in town and villages. The use of electric vehicle will positively contribute to reducing carbon emissions.
Transport	2018	Regional Congestic Reduction Measure		£780k	Schemes in Hamilton, Uddingston, Cambuslang and Lanark consist of providing congestion reduction measures on routes experiencing unreliable journey times caused by congestion. Measures include improving traffic flow and increasing capacity through improvements to junctions including new or improved traffic signals and the introduction of Urban Traffic Control, in the form of SCOOT or MOVA.  A number of routes in South Lanarkshire suffer from unreliable and increased journey times due to congestion, particularly at peak times. This can particularly affect buses and can cause unreliability of services and make bus travel less attractive to passengers. Congestion also adversely affects local air quality and can have a detrimental effect on health. There are also additional costs to businesses and the local economy associated with congestion.  These schemes are seen as contributing towards the congestion targets of the South Lanarkshire Council Single Outcome Agreement.  The introduction of these schemes will lead to reliable and

						transport, i	mprovements t	d in particular for public to air quality and health, and a businesses and the economy.
Transport	2014	2018	Complete	Number of fleet operators accredited through ECO Stars fleet recognition			Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant	Eco Stars fleet recognition scheme for all businesses that operate fleet passing through South Lanarkshire  Investment is ongoing and covers training, fleet assessment, road map creation for fleet improvement action planning, workshops.  There are now 187 scheme members, The fleet scheme covers 7,970 vehicles which regularly operate in the South Lanarkshire Council area.
Transport	2014		In Implementation	Publicity campaign to promote walking and cycling as active travel options; cycle shelters; cycle route creation and improvement; cycle friendly employer (cycle to work scheme and essential skills training).			Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant; Smarter Choices, Smarter Places (Paths for All). Project will continue subject to funding	Included in the campaign was a pilot project within the Rutherglen and Cambuslang area whereby local Active Schools Coordinators who travel between local schools have access to electric bikes. In addition, patients who have received a physical activity prescription referral from their GP's also have access to electric bikes and can hire bikes free of charge for an initial 12 week period.  The pilot will be extended to include Lanark area in 2019/20
Air Quality / Transport	2014	2018	In Implementation	Focused air quality workshops delivered to schools promoting active travel	23 schools received air quality and active travel workshops. In total 80 workshops were delivered to 2,000 pupils. Data indicates		Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant; Smarter	Messages about air quality and active travel will have been broadcast to a significant proportion of the families of those pupils, so expanding the programme's reach to many

				that there was a 20% increase in the proportion of children parking and striding, and a 5% increase in walking, scooting and cycling following the workshops.	Choices, Smarter Places (Paths for All). Project will be ongoing - funding dependent	
Air Quality / Transport	2018		Review traffic studies		Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant	Review of traffic within the Lanark area as part of a Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance based study particularly in relation to traffic flow and layout review in this area. The aim is to develop a scheme which reduces congestion and so improve air quality particularly within the hot spot location of Bannatyne Street.
Air Quality / Transport	2018	Pilot project	E-bike trial	A pilot project is underway within the Rutherglen and Cambuslang area whereby local Active Schools Coordinators who travel between local schools have access to electric bikes. In addition, patients who have received a physical activity prescription referral from their GP's also have access to electric bikes and can hire bikes free of charge for an initial 12 week period.	Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant	The pilot project may be extended to the East Kilbride depending on success and funding.
Air Quality / Transport	2018	Completed	Utilisation of green infrastructure to target emission reductions in hot spot locations	Working in partnership with a local community gardening group 'Grow 73' a number of large wooden planters with	Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant	Grow 73 continue to maintain the planters and they have also engaged with the Royal Horticultural Society who have supported the project by

			h a ju w q	ollution fighting plants ave been installed djacent to a busy unction close to areas where exceedance of air uality objectives were nodelled.			providing advice, compost and additional plants.
Transport	2013	In Implementation	Т р с	rehicle Emission resting for the general ublic and engine idling ampaign at schools uring afternoon pick-up	27,000	Scottish Government Air Quality Action Plan Grant	Project will be ongoing annually subject to funding.

Please provide any detail on data sources or limitations relating to the information provided in Table 3								

Q4) Partnership Working, Communication and Capacity Building. Please detail your Climate Change Partnership, Communication or Capacity Building Initiatives below.										
Key Action Type	Description	Action	Organisati on's project role		Private, Public and 3rd Sector Partners	Outputs	Comments			
Partnership Working	South Lanarkshire Sustainability Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		NHS Lanarkshire, SNH, Forestry Scotland, Fire & Rescue, South Lanarkshire College, SEPA, SPT	Promote sustainable development in South Lanarkshire, help promote transition to a low carbon economy and share best practice in	This is one of the themed partnerships of community planning. There are three subgroups attached to the Sustainability Partnership working on the natural			

						fulfilling partners' duties under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009	environment: the Local Biodiversity Partnership, the Green Health Partnership and Local Access Forum and at this level a much wider range of agencies are involved
Partnership Working	South Lanarkshire Biodiversity Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		Butterfly Conservation Scotland, Central Scotland Green Network Trust, Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership, Clyde River Foundation, Forestry Commission Scotland, Glasgow and Clyde Valley Green Network, Hamilton Natural History Society, North Lanarkshire Council, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Scottish Environment Protection Agency, Scottish Natural Heritage, Scottish Wildlife Trust	Coordinate delivery of actions in the Biodiversity Strategy	Supported by five sub- groups: peatlands and wetlands; invasive, non- native species; people and nature; ecological networks; vacant and derelict land.
Partnership Working	Lanarkshire Green Health Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Participant	NHS Lanarkshire	NHS Lanarkshire, SLC, NLC, Leisure Trusts, VASLan, VANL, SNH, Paths to Health	Promote and coordinate links between healthy, accessible and sustainable open space and public health and wellbeing	
Partnership Working	South Lanarkshire Outdoor	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		ScotWays, Community Councils, SL Horse and Pony Access Group,	Discuss and resolve access projects and issues. Core path	

	Access Forum				Cycling UK, Forestry Commission, Sustrans, Adventure Central, National Farmers Union Scotland, Biggar, Ramblers, Whitelee Access Officer, Get Walking Lanarkshire	planning	
Partnership Working	South Lanarkshire Cycling Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		Cycling Scotland; Sustrans; Strathclyde Partnership for Transport; Police Scotland; Cycling Uk Strathaven Cycling Group, Go Bike, Camglen Bike Town	Raise the profile of cycling in South Lanarkshire; Identify opportunities and issues at an early stage; Facilitate partnership working; Allow for the integration of the provision of infrastructure and promotion of cycling; Allow for the understanding of what all partners bring to the development of cycling	Actions arising from the Partnership will be implemented through a named lead partner organisation responsible for ensuring compliance with its own relevant procedures and codes of practice. The Partnership will be engaged when new cycling projects and initiatives are in their infancy to aid their development and ensure stakeholder buy-in
Partnership Working	Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		SNH, SLC, NLC, FC, GSGNT, SWT, RSPB, Clydesdale Community Initiatives, New Lanark Conservation Trust, Clyde Valley Orchards Group	Coordinate delivery of a range of landscape, heritage and biodiversity objectives across the Clyde and Avon valleys	Principle funder is Heritage Lottery Fund
Partnership Working	Glasgow and Clyde Valley Green Network Partnership	Multi organisation Communications	Participant	Each partner is represented at senior officer level on the Partnership Board. The Chair of the Partnership	Eight regional authorities as well as Forestry Commission Scotland, the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency, Scottish Enterprise, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Glasgow Centre for	Coordinate planning and development of sustainable green infrastructure through Greater Glasgow and Clyde Valley.	Through an enhanced environment the Glasgow & Clyde Valley (GCV) Green Network will transform the lives of 1.8 million people, making the Glasgow City Region a much more vibrant, resilient and successful place.  It will provide well-connected,

				Board is the Clydeplan Manager	Population Health		high quality, multi-use greenspaces throughout the region, from cycle paths to allotments, wildlife habitats to rain gardens. The Green Network will provide easy and well-linked access to the outdoors for people of all ages
Partnership Working	Climate Ready Clyde	Multi organisation Communications	Participant	Sniffer (on behalf of all members)	East Dunbartonshire Council, West Dunbartonshire Council, Glasgow City Council, North Lanarkshire Council, South Lanarkshire Council, East Renfrewshire Council, SPT, Transport Scotland, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, NHS Lanarkshire	Method statement on climate risk and opportunity assessment  Draft list of climate risks and opportunities for Glasgow City Region  Data, evidence and outputs from risk assessment process	Understanding the collective set of risks and opportunities – including those where there may be impacts on our organisation but that are outside the scope of our control  Technical support and capacity building activity for our organisation  Leadership on the issue on behalf of all organisations raising profile and understanding and making case for action
Partnership Working	Food Network	Multi organisation Communications	Lead		This is an open network with anyone who has an involvement/interest in food. At present the network includes the following numbers and types of stakeholders:-Third Sector (33) Council (31) Partners (20) Private Sector (4) Individuals (15)	and undertake collective	

Capacity Building (e.g. training and development initiatives)	Community Support	Skills/Capacity Building for environmental volunteers	Lead	Community groups and volunteers across South Lanarkshire	4,000 volunteer days a year, various activities	Work with community groups to support their participation and management of local greenspaces
Capacity Building (ie. staff training and development initiatives)	Cycle Friendly Employer	Skills/Capacity Building	Lead		Launch of 'Cycle to Work' scheme and essential skills course	
Communications	Carbon Corner raises awareness of the projects and initiatives across the Council		Lead		Regular articles in the staff intranet on sustainability and climate change	
Communications	Develop air quality guidance through an online story map	Awareness Raising	Lead		South Lanarkshire launched a GIS based story map called 'The air that we breathe' in June 2018 to coincide with Clean Air Day. The story map is interactive for all information relating to Air Quality within South Lanarkshire	everyone can take to be 'part of the solution, not the problem'
Communications	Encourage the uptake of low emission vehicles	Behaviour change	Lead		As part of National Clean Air Day, South Lanarkshire council ran a promotional event with support of local businesses to promote electric vehicles. A range of electric cars, motorcycles and scooters were available for staff and members of the local community to see. In addition	

						representatives from Home Energy Scotland and South Lanarkshire Environmental Service's air quality team were also on hand to offer advice and information	
Communications	Encourage the uptake of low emission vehicles	Behaviour change	Participant	Joint project with SLC and North Lanarkshire Council	North Lanarkshire Council	New walking and cycling connections have been installed as part of the M74 / Raith Interchange junction improvements and a recent joint project with North Lanarkshire Council has been undertaken to promote the walking and cycling routes that exists and connect the two local authority areas via Strathclyde Park	
Communications	Red tag initiative for paper bins	Behaviour Change	Lead			reduce contamination of recycling bins. This was introduced initially with paper bins where refuse collectors would check the bins and if there was	The initiative started in April 2018 at which time the contamination rate for paper bins was 55%. The rate was measured again in May 2019 to see how successful the initiative has been and the contamination rate was less than 1%
Education	Learning About Sustainability in Schools Group	Behaviour Change	Lead			Working with schools to further embed sustainability and climate change into the curriculum using the	The State of Environment report is now an online resource for schools on

					State of the Environment report as a resource	
Education	Reverse Vending Pilot	Behaviour Change	Lead	Excel Vending Ltd	A reserve vending pilot to encourage behaviour change was carried out in St. Andrews and St. Brides secondary school during February/March 2019.	A competition was run at the school as an incentive to recycle PET bottles and aluminium cans using a Reverse Vending machine which will be supplied free on loan from Excel Vending Ltd.
Education	Beat the Street project – Lanark and Rutherglen	Behaviour Change	Lead		A behaviour change initiative that encouraged walking, cycling and scooting for short journeys across these local communities. 15% of the local population within these towns participated in the initiative with an incredible 75,118.5 miles travelled sustainably.	transformed into a giant game. The aim was to see how far participants could walk, cycle and run over the 6 week initiative  A real focus on the school commute was integral to the

# OTHER NOTABLE REPORTABLE ACTIVITY

Q5) Please de	Q5) Please detail key actions relating to Food and Drink, Biodiversity, Water, Procurement and Resource Use in the table below.							
Key Action Type	Key Action Description	Organisation's Project Role	Impacts	Comments				
Biodiversity	Fernbrae Meadows project at Cathkin Braes area. A former golf course, which had gone out of business and fallen derelict, has been transformed into a new urban park		The area lacked good local greenspace and since the closure of the golf course the area became a magnet for anti-social behaviour. In conjunction with the community, the Council applied for funding through SNH green infrastructure fund to regenerate this site.  Fernbrae meadows, with a series of paths and cycle-ways, greatly improve access and offers a network of green travel routes between the various communities bordering the site. Add to this seating, trails, community growing areas, visits for schools and volunteering opportunities and the site has a huge positive impact.	The biodiversity of the site will be enhanced by creating a series of natural meadows connected by woodland corridors, attracting back native species that had been driven away during the site's intensive management as a golf course. The management and maintenance of the wetland area of the site will create an integrated natural habitat, reducing flood risk and creating more natural processes which will allow the watercourse to better support local ecosystems.				
Food	The development of South Lanarkshire's Good Food Strategy. The strategy is currently under development and will help move towards heathier, fairer and sustainable food systems. South Lanarkshire is one of the first local authorities in Scotland to develop and implement a food strategy. This council's political commitment is aligned with the international, national and	Lead	The strategy will help to move towards heathier, fairer and sustainable food systems. It will encompass social, health, economic and environmental concerns related to food. In particular, this represents a commitment to address food insecurity and poverty, food related issues and reduce the food impact on the environment and climate change	The objectives of the strategy are now identified and this has been done following a process of consultation. Actions are currently being identified with the relevant food stakeholders.  In relation to environment and climate change, the following objectives were agreed: sourcing, preparing and serving more sustainable food in the schools and council properties and engage with partners to improve public procurement of food; reducing avoidable food waste and packaging				

local recognition that local authorities have a role to play in this process of transition towards more sustainable food systems	and promoting recycling of non- avoidable food waste; in general, engage with the community to reduce the impacts of the food system on the environment and its contribution to climate change
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### Q6) Please use the text box below to detail further climate change related activity that is not noted elsewhere within this reporting template

## **Business support/Economic Development**

#### Advice and signposting businesses

All SLC Business Support information provided to businesses (online and offline) signposts to the following organisations

- Resource Efficient Scotland for funding, support and advice for quick wins and help to identify best cost saving opportunities.
- Scottish Manufacturing Advisory Service for practical advice to reduce costs and improve efficiency
- Interface to connect businesses with Scottish Universities to help their business solve problems.

The Council's business support team regularly engages with businesses and also connects them with the organisations above. We have regular updates from colleagues in Resource Efficient Scotland to make sure we are up to date on all offerings. Our advisors also signpost to specialist sustainability and innovation teams within Scottish Enterprise.

SLC is a partner in the delivery of the Lanarkshire Business Gateway contract. As part of this contract advisors engage with businesses daily and assess their performance to understand their needs and how best they can support them. Advisors here signpost and refer businesses to the organisations above and have specific tools such as Expert Help and Digiboost to assist with a more bespoke solution for the business.

### **Funding**

The SLC Business Support Grant can be used to support the costs of introducing new capital equipment, making permanent changes to their property, training staff, buying the services of a specialist consultant or attending exhibitions. Whilst the grant is aimed at increasing jobs and turnover, it is also aimed at increasing profitability. We specifically ask a question in the application about how the projects will allow the business to become more environmentally sustainable through more efficient use of resources, reducing environmental impact or sourcing goods more locally.

### **Tourism Key sector focus**

Tourism in South Lanarkshire is identified as a key growth sector. We aim to market through digital channels as much as possible through VisitLanarkshire.com. However, print runs have been done in 2019 for the Great Days Out brochure due to some ongoing visitor demand for print. Whilst we acknowledge the staycation visitor trend, we believe our key visitor market is visitors within a 2-3 hour drive time and aim our marketing at this radius.

### New builds private developers

We are in regular contact with private property developers and engage to ensure we understand what they are intending, how this will fit into the market and

how sustainable the development will be. One recent developer has shared his plans in East Kilbride for his units and the build will include EV charging points for each unit, building insulation beyond current building regulation, LED lighting and double glazing. However there is no grey water system and no solar PV. Tennant will have option to install Air Source Heat Pump system.

In addition to the business support, there are wider physical development projects which contribute towards these objectives including the development of business accommodation at Rutherglen Links and Redtree Magenta, as well as the new University of West of Scotland at Hamilton Technology Park all incorporating sustainable design and technologies. In addition, the low carbon ambitions of East Kilbride Task Force will be taken forward by a new company Smart Sustainable East Kilbride - representing largely the private sector with support from SLC and Scotlish Enterprise.