

Finance and Corporate Resources



Resource Plan

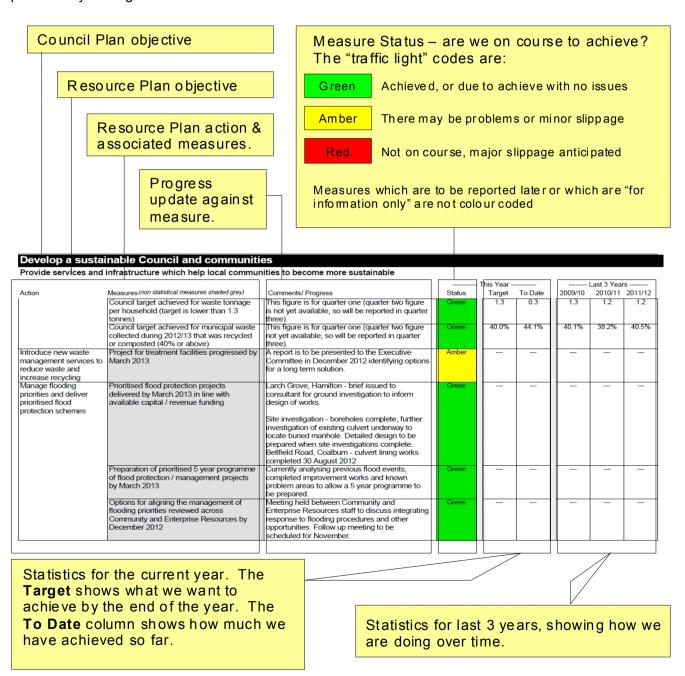
Performance Report 2019-20 Quarter 2 : April 2019 - September 2019

(This represents the cumulative position to September 2019)



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 - number of measures green, amber and red under each Council Plan objective/theme

Council Objective / Theme	Green	Amber	Red	To be reported later / Contextual	Total
Improve later life					
Protect vulnerable children, young people and adults					
Deliver better health and social care outcomes for all					
Improve the availability, quality and access of housing					
Improve the road network, infuence improvements in public					
transport and encourage active travel					
Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities	16	2		3	21
Support the local economy by providing the right conditions	7			2	9
for inclusive growth					
Support our communities by tackling disadvantage and	4				4
deprivation and supporting aspiration					
Improve achievement, raise educational attainment and support					
lifelong learning					
Ensure schools and other places of learning are inspirational					
Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities					
Delivering the plan and achieving best value	77	7	4	21	109
Total	104	9	4	26	143

Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

Support delivery of effective Community Planning

				This Year			Last 3 Year	rs
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Work with communities and partners to enhance community planning and service delivery	Community Plan and Neighbourhood Plans are developed and reflect community needs and aspirations. Roll out neighbourhood planning processes beyond the three pilot areas to other priority areas in order to co-produce and deliver plans with Community Planning Partners	The Community Plan annual report for 2018-19 is now published in a new format designed to be informative and engaging for all stakeholders including the community. It includes case studies highlighting impact on communities, families and individuals as well as flagging up areas for improvement. The neighbourhood plans for each of the three test areas were published last year and the local groups driving the delivery of these continue to engage with their communities to shape, inform and promote development and opportunities. This has included engaging over 900 local residents in participatory budgeting activity to determine how funding to support neighbourhood planning will be spent this year. Work is now progressing within the Fairhill community to establish a neighbourhood planning process on a similar basis to the test sites and discussions within other communities is underway to determine if there is interest to take this approach forward.	Green					
	Community Planning Partnership to develop a Participation and Engagement Strategy	Preparations have been made to start a 13 week public consultation during October 2019.	Amber					
	Provide support to the Community Planning Partnership Board in the delivery of the Community Planning Agenda	The Board approved a Partnership Communications Plan in June 2019. The council's Public Relations Team are leading on the delivery of the plan. At their meeting in September 2019, the Board approved the Partnership's Annual Performance Report which was published by the due date (30 September).	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Through the Community Planning Partnership, implement the actions arising from the council's Best Value Audit Report	Working with the Improvement Service, a series of development days has been scheduled for the purpose of considering the outcomes from the Best Value Assurance Review and the Board Self-Assessment. The first of these took place during September 2019.	Green					
	Support the implementation of and actions arising from the Community Planning Partnership Board Self-Assessment	Working with the Improvement Service, a series of development days has been scheduled for the purpose of considering the outcomes from the Board Self-Assessment and the Best Value Assurance Review. The first of these took place during September 2019.	Green					
	Community Partnership Improvement Plans and reporting to be reviewed during 2019-20	At their meeting in September 2019, the Board considered a report on the future of the Partnership Improvement Plans and agreed that the development of the new plans for 2020 onwards should be postponed pending the wider review of Community Planning arrangements.	Report Later					

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Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

Facilitate communication and consultation on the council, its policies and its services

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Use new technology to ensure that consultation and community engagement are carried out to a consistent standard	Recording - all consultations will be uploaded to the database as soon as the consultation is made live Reporting – the outcomes of any consultation will be uploaded to the database within 5 working days after approval is received from the lead officer	All live consultations are available for completion on the South Lanarkshire website. The website includes 17 live consultations. Examples of recent consultations include the South Lanarkshire People's Panel Membership, Proposed BT payphone removal stage 2, and the Newfield and Stonehouse Primary schools catchment realignment 2019.	Green					
	Community Engagement Framework to be reviewed during 2019-20	Results of completed consultation are shown on the council website. The target for publishing the results of completed consultations is 5 working days. This target is being met. Updated Framework being produced to align with the new Partnership Engagement Strategy.	Green					
	16viewed during 2019-20	Completion due for end March 2020.						

Improve customer experience of council services

				This Year			Last 3 Year	'S
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Ensure that the council's website facilitates effective	The council's website will be available to the public 98% of any given working day	As per siteimprove the website has been available 99.99% for the period.	Green	98.00%	99.99%	99.80%	99.99%	99.97%
communications between customers and the council	Launch and develop News website 'View' by May 2019	Complete. South Lanarkshire View is now operational and providing daily communications.	Green					
Support Continuous Improvement programmes to improve	Deliver and support service delivery improvement projects through, for example Lean	There are no outstanding requests for improvement workshops and at this time there are none planned.	Report Later					
customer service delivery and ensure best use of resources	Customer consultation further tailored to ensure meets customer needs	18 surveys completed. Majority found their visit good to excellent. One improvement suggested and implemented.	Green				l	

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Develop and improve mail services and	Critiqom and Royal Mail contracts running with	Green					
	contracts	efficiencies being identified and progressed.						
	Complete roll out of MFDs to provide	Calderside High School and Housing and Tech	Amber					
	access to scan into Objective EDRMS	site offices remain to be completed by the						
	system	resources. These are required be completed by						
		December 2019.						
	Implement a photo library for council	Photographic library benchmarking in progress	Green					
	communications	with procurement.						
Support development of	Provide communications support through	Media management, and Campaigns work	Green					
community engagement	PR and Digital teams	progresses to meet the Resources needs.						
	Develop a business case for investing in a	Upgrading of existing 'Market Direct' system	Green					
	Customer Profiling tool to better inform	completed. Training moved to November 2019.						
	more cost effective, targeted, digital							
	campaigns							

Other actions in support of the objective

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Support the council's	Promote sustainable travel by employees	Cycle to work scheme launched this year and	Green					
Sustainable	through the efficient use of fleet vehicles,	open for 10 weeks to enhance timescales for						
Development Strategy	greater use of public transport, car sharing,	employees to make an application. 82						
and Climate Change	walking and cycling	applications made.						
Strategy								
Deliver at least a 10%	Continue to reduce vehicle emissions in	Monthly reports continue to be sent to Resources	Report Later					
reduction in vehicle	2019-20 against the baseline of 2014-15	and will be reviewed at end of the financial year.						
emissions by March	(Target 8%)							
2021 in accordance with								
the corporate carbon								
reduction target								

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Progress the council's	New or ongoing sustainable development	In accordance with Scottish Government	Green					
sustainable development	and climate change activity within the	anticipated guidance, Sustainability will now be						
and climate change	Resource	embedded in the new Procurement Strategy						
strategy within the		being developed for 2020-21 onwards.						
Resource		Sustainability is included in the Sourcing Strategy						
		and scored in appropriate Invitations to Tender.						
Contribute to reducing	Demonstrate action to reduce the reliance	In consultation with sustainability colleagues,	Green					
the council's reliance of	of single use plastic items across the	Procurement has removed a number of single						
avoidance single-use	Resource	use plastic items from catalogues where						
plastic items		sustainable alternatives can be sourced.						

Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth

Support key voluntary organisations and help to develop the social economy

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Support the Social	20 social enterprises supported with	10 organisations are currently receiving support	Green	27	11			
Economy through the	governance, promotion and business	on governance and business planning. A position						
Lanarkshire Social	planning. 5 social enterprises achieving	paper has been produced for the Council						
Enterprise Operational	growth. 2 events promoting the sector	Leadership, looking at current support to social						
Group		enterprises and potential changes in strategy in						
		line with Scottish Government developments.						
		The Lanarkshire Social Economy Operational						
		Group comprising representatives from both						
		Councils, Third Sector across Lanarkshire and						
		Business Gateway has met once in the quarter						
		and New College Lanarkshire and the University						
		of the West of Scotland have joined the group						
		with a view to linking student development to						
		social enterprise/volunteering opportunities.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Support the Community	Twenty voluntary organisations supported	There is currently ongoing development work	Green	20	14			
Asset Transfer process,	through Community Asset Transfer process	with 14 organisations in the Community Asset						
chairing the corporate	(Target 20)	Transfer process ranging from initial enquiries to						
working group		governance work and detailed business						
		planning. Further meeting of the Community						
		Asset Transfer Working Group held on 11						
		September 2019 and all current projects						
		reviewed for progress.						

Support unemployed people into jobs, training or further education and prioritise efforts to support those most disadvantaged into the job market

				This Year			Last 3 Year	rs
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Develop and progress employability services focused on priority client groups and sectors	A minimum of 1,000 unemployed people supported via council operated employability programmes	At Q1, 423 unemployed people had been supported. Q2 figures will be reported at Q3 (Note - Quarterly performance information is reported 4 weeks after the end of the quarter)	Green	1,000	423			2,135
	A minimum of 400 unemployed people gain sustainable employment	At Q1, 123 unemployed people gained sustainable employment. Q2 figures will be reported at Q3.	Green	400	123			863
	A minimum of 200 unemployed people access further education or training	At Q1, 75 unemployed people accessed further education or training. Q2 results will be reported at Q3	Green	200	75			501
	% unemployed people assisted into work from council operated/funded employability programmes	This is an LGBF indicator. The 2018-19 results will be published by the Improvement Service in January 2020.	Report Later			26.8%	18.4%	
	Design and deliver an integrated local employability delivery model to progress the Scottish Government's 'no one left behind' plan – by March 2020	The Council are working with partners to progress our local employability strategy aligned with the Scottish Govt's national No one Left Behind (NOLB) Policy. The strategy is currently being designed and developed by the target date of March 2020	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Provide employability services for South Lanarkshire Council Residents	Upskill up to 190 employed people with barriers to job progression tackling in-work poverty to support inclusive growth	Up-skilling criteria has been refreshed taking in further eligibility criteria. The figures are for Q1 results with Q2 to be reported at Q3.	Green	190	34			317
Lead and progress City Region developments on employability and skills - Support inclusive growth reducing poverty and inequality	communities promoting Fair Work	City Region Developments will be reported at Q3. The Working Matters (Successor) programme started early October .	Report Later					

Support our communities by tackling disadvantage and deprivation and supporting aspiration

Lead partnership approaches to tackling the causes and effects of poverty and inequality

				This Year			Last 3 Years		
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	
Work with communities and partners to maximise awareness of, and commitment to, tackling poverty and local inequalities	Community Planning Partnership Child Poverty Action Report to be published by June 2019	The South Lanarkshire Partnership Local Child Poverty Action Report was published ahead of the deadline in June. The report includes a range of actions to increase income from employment; increase income from benefits and reduce living costs. A consultation with families with a lived experience of poverty is underway to get feedback on our first plan and shape and inform our activity going forward.	Green						
	A range of local networks and partnerships are in place to enable effective joined up working on key priorities/improvement areas linked to tackling poverty and inequalities	The Financial Inclusion Network (FIN) continues to meet quarterly to share information; highlight challenges and identify opportunities for partnership working. Between meetings information is exchanged online and a new Welfare Reform Communications group has been established which will ensure key messages are being shared across the Network and wider Partnership to maximise awareness and uptake of benefits and entitlements. The FIN has assisted the production of the 5th Edition of the When Money is Tight booklet due for publication during Challenge Poverty Week in October. Other partnership groups focusing on issues such as digital inclusion; fuel poverty and payment of the Living Wage continue to meet regularly and progress local actions.	Green						
	Proportion of people earning less than the living wage (Target >18.3%)	Target exceeded.	Green	18.3%	20.3%	18.7%	18.3%		
	Number of Living Wage accredited employers in South Lanarkshire	Target achieved.	Green	77.0	77.0				

Provide sound financial stewardship for the council

				This Year			Last 3 Year	rs
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Deliver a core Finance	All employees will be paid correctly and on	This is reported annually. The figure reported	Report Later	100.00%		99.90%	99.98%	99.97%
function that meets the	time - target 100%	position for 2018-19 was recorded as 99.97%.						
requirements of the		The 2019-20 figure will be reported in July 2020.						
council and external	The cost per dwelling of collecting Council	To be reported at Q4.	Report Later	£7.00		£6.26	£7.08	£6.47
stakeholders	Tax - Target £7.00							
	Council Tax yield - Target 97.125%	To be reported at Q4.	Report Later	97.125%		97.125%	97.125%	97.125%
	Percentage of income due from Council Tax	Council Tax collection is currently 59.32%, ahead	Green	95.80%	59.32%	95.50%	95.70%	95.71%
	received by the end of the year	of target by 0.12% and ahead of comparable						
	- in year (incl water) 95.8%	performance in 2018-19 by 0.13%.						
	Other Council Tax targets: - in year (excl	Council Tax collection at 30 September 2019	Green	96.20%	59.62%	96.00%	96.20%	96.20%
	water) 96.2%	when Scottish Water debts are removed is						
		59.62%.						
	Other Council Tax targets - arrears	Collection of Council Tax arrears to date totals	Green	£3.500m	£2.003m	£3.483m	£4.175m	£4.016m
	collection target £3.5m	£2.003m, behind target by £0.065m (1.8%).						
		Target expected to be achieved.						
	Non Domestic rates - achieve income target	Non Domestic rates collection is currently 51.8%,	Green	98.0%	51.8%	97.9%	97.0%	98.1%
	of 98.0%	ahead of comparable performance in 2018-19 by						
		0.1%.						
	Sundry debt - target 98.0%	To date, a collection rate of 97.8% has been	Green	98.0%	97.8%	98.0%	98.0%	98.0%
		achieved, 0.2% behind target.						
	Factoring - target 81.0%	Behind comparable performance in 2018-19 by	Green	81.0%	62.0%	79.3%	80.1%	80.6%
		0.6%. Collection expected to be achieved in						
		2019/20.						
	Housing Benefit and Council Tax Reduction	Processing times for new claims is currently 15	Green	19 days	15 days	22 days	22 days	16 days
	Administration - Average processing times:	days, 4 days under target with annual target of						
	new claims - Target 19 days	19 days expected to be achieved.						
	Change of circumstances - Target 6 days	Processing times for change of circumstance is	Green	6 days	6 days	6 days	5 days	4 days
		currently 6 days, equal to target with annual						
		target of 6 days expected to be achieved.						
	Accuracy of processing - Target 92%	Accuracy performance is currently 93.9%, ahead	Green	92.00%	93.90%	90.60%	93.20%	93.70%
		of target by 1.9%.						
	Benefits Administration - Gross admin cost	To be reported at Q4.	Report Later	£24.75		£20.62	£25.52	£26.96
	per Housing Benefit/Council Tax Reduction							
	(HB/CTR) case - target £24.75							

Provide sound financial stewardship for the council

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Percentage of invoices sampled that were paid within 30 days - target 92.5%	Invoice processing currently 2.5% below target due to staff turnover and unplanned absence across Payables and Ordering teams.	Amber	92.5%	90.0%	94.5%	95.0%	92.1%
	Deliver Treasury Management function as regulated by statute and Codes of Practice to provide Committee with quarterly updates on treasury activity. This includes the Annual Activity report to be completed by September	The Annual Activity Report 2018-19 and the Quarter 1 2019-20 report were presented to the Finance and Corporate Resources Committee on 7 August 2019.	Green					
	Support Services as a percentage of total gross expenditure - Target 4.4%	This is an LGBF indicator. The 2018-19 results will be published in January 2020 and the 2019-20 figures will be published in January 2021.	Report Later	4.4%		4.6%	4.4%	
Prepare Annual Report and Accounts	Accounts for the council and all related/ supported bodies including the Integrated Health and Social Care Joint Board, Valuation Board and related charities completed by 30 June and receipt of clear audit certificate by 30 September	The Accounts for the council and all related/supported bodies were complete by 30 June 2019. The audit of the Accounts is complete and the council and all related/supported bodies received a clean audit certificate before end September 2019.	Green					
Prepare and set Revenue Budget and declare Council Tax by statutory date. Ensure link with budget and service planning	Declare Council Tax and obtain council approval of budget by the statutory deadline	To be reported later.	Report Later					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Deliver the objectives of the Council Plan Connect	Performance reporting arrangements will be reviewed for 2019-20, with a refresh of the Connect next steps and revised guidance on creating SMART actions and measures within Resource Plans	Connect next steps have been reviewed and the revised list used to inform the 2019-20 Resource Plans. Guidance has been produced on the development of SMART measures, including good practice examples and a SMART measure template.	Green					
	Carry out a mid-term review of the Council Plan Connect 2017-22	A programme of work has been agreed to deliver a mid-term review of Connect by March 2020. Initial work has focused on a horizon-scanning exercise and review of how the council's objectives and priorities are presented.	Green					
Ensure that high standards of governance are being exercised	Annual council Good Governance Statement has been completed by due date and actions developed to address non-compliant areas	Preparations are underway for the 2019-20 review of Governance arrangements. This action will be reported in June 2020.	Report Later					
	Deliver annual risk management work plan including review of risk registers. Target 90%	There are 5 action contained within the 2019-20 Risk Management Workplan. One action - Insurers Fleet Review has been completed ahead of its target date of 31 December 2020. Insurers property surveys have been arranged and will be completed ahead of the target date of 31 December 2020. Progress has been made on the roll out of updated Road Risk Guidance and training, and it is envisaged that a report will be submitted to the CMT in the near future. Two further actions, Update of RM Strategy and Update of RM/Audit bulletins have target dates of 31 March 2020.	Report Later	90.0%	20.0%	100.0%	83.0%	80.0%

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	
	90% of risk control actions completed by	Two actions that had a target date between 1	Green	90.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
	due date (council-wide)	April and 30 September 2019 have been							
		completed on time. Both actions were in							
		connection with updated fraud guidance, and							
		training.							
	90% of risk control actions completed by	Two actions that had a target date between 1	Green	90.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
	due date (Resource)	April and 30 September 2019 have been							
		completed on time. Both actions were in							
		connection with updated fraud guidance, and							
		training.							
	Review of the council's top risks to be	Review of the top risk register has been	Green						
	completed	completed and the outcome reported to CMT on							
		5/9/19.							
	A full review of the Risk Management	The review is scheduled to be completed by	Report Later						
	Strategy to be undertaken during 2019-20	31/3/20 - to be reported later.	0.00						
Support and facilitate	Progress the mid-term review of the	All feedback has been input from officers and the	Green						
open and transparent	council's political management	Standards and Procedures Advisory Forum has							
governance and	arrangements and submit report to Council	met on five occasions. Steady progress is being							
decision making	for approval by Quarter 3	made and a further Forum meeting will be							
arrangements		scheduled to consider a proposed revised Terms							
		of Reference for Area Committees and continue							
		discussions prior to any recommendations being							
		made to Executive Committee, then Council.							

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19		
Promote high standards of Information Governance	Take forward a programme of improvement actions in support of the Information Strategy, Records Management Plan and Internal Audit Plan	The council is progressing improvement actions following feedback from the Keeper of the Records on the Council's Progress Update Report. The continued implementation of Objective will develop the elements of the Records Management Plan on business classification, retention scheduling, destruction arrangements and audit trail. Destruction processes for paper records at the council's Records Centre have been reviewed and updated.	Green							
	Continue to develop South Lanarkshire Council's Records Management Plan following the Keeper's Assessment and Review	The council is progressing the implementation of Objective which will develop the elements of the Records Management Plan in relation to business classification, retention scheduling, destruction arrangements and audit trail. A report to the Information Governance Board on 24 September 2019 on a new approach to retention scheduling has been agreed for Resources to progress.	Green							
	Continue to strengthen the good information governance culture in the council through the continued programme of communication to promote the themes of the Information Strategy, Information Security and Records Management Plan	The Information Governance Board continues to build and strengthen the good communication culture across the council. The Data Protection Policy was approved on 1 May 2019 and replaces the privacy policy on the internet and intranet. Briefing notes on the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) are available on the intranet. Other policies such as data sharing have been updated to reflect the Data Protection Policy. Information security manager updated the Information Governance Board on data loss prevention at its meeting on 24 September 2019.	Green			-				

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Support the continued learning and development of our employees in the area of information governance	Training on law enforcement and Data Privacy Impact Assessment was delivered in May 2019. All Learn on line courses have been updated.	Green					
	Implement the lessons learned from the Phase 1 of the Electronic Document Records Management System (EDRMS) – Objective	The council continues to progress phase 2 implementation of Objective and Resources are developing their timetables and associated work plans to go live on the system.	Green					
Provide an effective grant claims management service	Percentage error rate of claims submitted to be no greater than 2% (European Union materiality threshold)	Cumulative error rate for the 2014-20 programme is currently 0%.	Green	2.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Deliver an effective internal audit service	Completion of Audit Plan and issue of draft reports by 31 March	Audit plan assignments progressing with 67% of the plan in progress (29/43 assignments) and 5% issued as draft (2/43). Plans in place to deliver Audit Plan by 31 March 2020.	Green					
	Prepare a Statement of Assurance by 30 April	2018-19 assurance statement was prepared by 25 April 2019. Statement has been presented to CMT (23 May 2019) and RASC (19 June 2019). Action achieved.	Green					
	90% of audit actions completed by due date (council-wide)	As at the end of Quarter 2, 56 out of 57 (98%) of audit actions due were complete. The target of 90% has been achieved.	Green	90.0%	98.0%	92.0%	98.0%	91.0%
	90% of audit actions completed by due date (Resource)	As at the end of Quarter 2, 18 out of 18 (100%) of audit actions due were complete. The target of 90% has been achieved.	Green	90.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	96.0%
	80% assignments delivered within budget	76% within budget (13/17). Anticipate target will be met at Q4 when the majority of planned work will be concluded.	Amber	80.0%	76.0%	80.0%	82.0%	80.0%
	80% draft reports delivered within 6 weeks of file review	100% of draft reports delivered within 6 weeks (3/3).	Green	80.0%	100.0%	88.0%	87.0%	80.0%

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	Comparison of current practice with best	Included in 2019-20 Audit Plan and scheduled for	Green						
	practice in relation to the management of	completion later in the year.							
	fraud risk to be undertaken during 2019-20								

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Compliance with statutory response timescales for information in terms of FOISA, EI(S)R and for subject access requests under the DPA	96% of Freedom of Information (FOISA) requests to be processed within the 20 working day period (Resource)	In Q1, the Resource received 91 requests for information and responded to 82 requests within the statutory timescales. A high level analysis of reasons for late responses has been undertaken. However the analysis did not consider the separate information regimes and so related to FOI, EIRs and DPA. From the analysis the most likely reason for a late response has been identified as "Procedural" (8 requests). A delay arising from the procedural processing of the request examples would be a delay in obtaining information from other Resources in relation to a joint response or delay arising from a procedural stage of processing such as a delay in obtaining approval for responses etc. The Improvement Unit has offered to assist the Information Governance Board and Resources by facilitating discussions about improving performance. The Resource will participate in this project.	Red	96.0%	90.1%	94.8%	95.6%	92.8%

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Action	96% of Freedom of Information (FOISA) requests to be processed within the 20 working day period (council-wide)	In Q1, the council received 412 requests for information. It responded to 389 requests within the statutory timescales. A high level analysis of reasons for the late responses has been undertaken. However the analysis did not consider the separate information regimes and so related to FOI, EIRs and DPA. From the analysis, the most likely reason for a late response has been identified as "Resources" (19 requests). A delay of any sort arising from staff absence, a spike in the number of requests, or a few complex requests placing demands on the Resource capacity to respond. The Improvement Unit has offered to assist the Information Governance Board and Resources	Red	96.0%	94.4%	96.8%	96.3%	93.8%
		by facilitating discussions about improving						
		performance. All Resources are being						
		encouraged to participate in this project.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	96% of Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations EI(S)R requests to be processed within the 20 working day period unless extended to 40 working days in exceptional circumstances (Resource)	In Q1, the Resource did not receive any requests for information.	Contextual	96.0%		98.7%		100.0%
	96% of Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations EI(S)R requests to be processed within the 20 working day period unless extended to 40 working days	In Q1, the council received 84 requests for information. It responded to 78 within the statutory timescale.	Red	96.0%	92.9%	98.5%	96.3%	91.1%
	in exceptional circumstances (council-wide)	A high level analysis of reasons for the late responses has been undertaken. However the analysis did not consider the separate information regimes and so related to FOI, EIRs and DPA. From the analysis, the most likely reason for a late response has been identified as "Resources" (19 requests). A delay of any sort arising from staff absence, a spike in the number of requests, or a few complex requests placing demands on the Resource capacity to respond.						
		The Improvement Unit has offered to assist the Information Governance Board and Resources by facilitating discussions about improving						
		performance. All Resources are being encouraged to participate in this project.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	90% of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)/Data Protection Act (DPA) requests to be processed within 30 calendar days (Resource)	In Q1, the Resource received five requests to access personal data and responded to all within the statutory time scale.	Green	90.0%	100.0%	100.0%	94.1%	86.7%
	90% of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)/Data Protection Act (DPA) requests to be processed within 30 calendar days (council-wide)	In Q1, the council received 76 requests to access personal data. It responded to 60 requests within the statutory timescale. A high level analysis of reasons for the late responses has been undertaken. However the analysis did not consider the separate information regimes and so related to FOI, EIRs and DPA. From the analysis, the most likely reason for a late response has been identified as "Resources" (19 requests). A delay of any sort arising from staff absence, a spike in the number of requests, or a few complex requests placing demands on the Resource capacity to respond. The Improvement Unit has offered to assist the Information Governance Board and Resources by facilitating discussions about improving performance. All Resources are being encouraged to participate in this project.	Red	90.0%	79.0%	96.7%	87.6%	80.8%
	Monitor Information Governance compliance and provide quarterly updates to the Corporate Management Team	Briefing notes are available on the intranet. Quarterly updates are provided to CMT and now includes year to date information. The Improvement Unit is working with the Information Governance Board to take forward a performance improvement action plan. Performance improvement is being changed to on going monitoring.	Green					

Support local democracy, council committees, elected members and senior managers

				This Year			Last 3 Years	s
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Provide support to elected members	Deliver training identified following training needs analysis by target date agreed with members. Monitor and evaluate the delivery and attendance and report bi-annually	Training Needs survey issued on 16 September to Elected Members covering IT Training to coincide with the Elected Members HP Upgrade Programme. In Q1 & 2, elected members filled 216 places at a range of Learning and Development events including Housing Allocation Policy Review, Education Appeals Committee, Code of Conduct, Participatory Budgeting, Review of Leisure and Culture in South Lanarkshire and Health & Social Care. Personal Safety for Elected Members e-learning package made available June 2019.	Green					
Administer the council's Committees, Forums and Joint Boards effectively	Final agendas to be issued electronically 5 clear days in advance to meet the requirements of the Council's Standing Orders: Target 100%	100% target achieved.	Green	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Provide support to Chief Executive in relation to correspondence, enquiries, consultations and complaints	Achieve 90% of substantive responses within 10 days of receipt	Continue to meet target	Green	90.0%	95.2%	93.8%	95.2%	92.0%
Support the democratic functions of the council	Encourage local democracy through support for Community Councils. 85% of Administration Grants to be paid to Community Councils by 30 September 2019	31 out of 34 Community Councils have been paid their 2019-20 grant monies.	Green	85.0%	91.1%			80.0%

Deliver professional legal services

				This Year			Last 3 Years	s
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Ensure that Licensing	Civic Government licensing processing	Target has been met.	Green	95.0%	99.0%	99.0%	97.0%	99.0%
and Registration	target - 95% within service targets							

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Services are provided professionally and promptly	Statutory Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 statutory timescales - 100% within service targets	Statutory target has been fully met.	Green	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	Liquor licensing processing target - 85% within service targets	Target has been met.	Green	85.0%	98.0%	89.0%	88.0%	91.0%
	Registration processing target - 95% within service targets	Target has been met.	Green	95.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	98.0%
	Citizenship processing target - 95% within service targets	Target has been met.	Green	95.0%	100.0%	99.0%	100.0%	99.0%
	Complaints processing target - 95% within service targets	Target has been met.	Green	95.0%	100.0%	98.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Ensure that professional legal advice is provided in respect of the council's daily business	Legal Services will meet the target of 6,875 chargeable hours per quarter (27,500 p.a.) in respect of legal services provided, including: contract law, procurement, conveyancing, tribunal hearings, court actions and legal advice	Legal Services is currently 4.4% above target for chargeable hours for the year to date.	Green	27,500 hours	14,380 hours	32,986 hours	29,820 hours	30,507 hours

Promote equality and the well being of staff

				This Year -			Last 3 Year	rs
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Ensure that the council meets its obligations under Health and Safety legislation	Number of accidents per 1,000 employees (council-wide)	The total incidence rate for Q2 2019-20 is 13.8, this is an increase compared to the 2018-19 figure of 13.5. The year to date figure has increased from 22.6 (2018-19) to 34.2 (2019-20). This increase primarily relates to the increase in violent incidences being recorded. The accident incidence rate is used to measure a change in the organisation's own progress. Comparison at national level is not particularly easy as there is no "unitary authority" comparator. This measure can only be used primarily as an indicator of progress and not necessarily as a target, as there can be a large number of external factors to include severe weather. Calculation is (number of incidents/(average)	Contextual		34.2	46.1	65.4	58.3
Raise awareness of	Identify and make appropriate links	employee numbers) * 1,000. This is on hold until the outcome of the Scottish	Report Later					
Raise awareness of equality obligations throughout the council	between the Equality Impact Assessment process and the requirements of the Fairer Scotland Duty by March 2020	Government review is known, there is no publication date as yet. The outcome of the review has slipped several times the last update advised the outcome would be available late summer or early autumn.	Toport Later					
	Review the publishing of impact assessments on the council website with IT	A database has been devised and the gradual process of publishing assessments to catch up is underway.	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Develop and implement council wide equality performance measures and publish results in accordance with Public Sector Equalities Duties	Review the Equality Impact Assessment online recording tool and the process by 30 April 2020	This is on hold until the outcome of the Scottish Government review is known, there is no publication date as yet. The outcome of the review has slipped several times the last update advised the outcome would be available late summer or early autumn.	Report Later					
(PSED)	The % of the highest paid 5% employees who are women. Target >45.9%	This is a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2019-20 figures will be available in January 2021.	Report Later	45.9%		46.7%	45.9%	48.8%
	The gender pay gap between average hourly rate of pay for male and female council employees. Target <5.9%	This is a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2019-20 figures will be available in January 2021.	Report Later	5.9%		5.9%	6.1%	5.1%
Ensure equality in pay, linked to protected characteristics in line with duties	Monitor, review and revise the equal pay action on an ongoing basis and complete an equal pay review across all areas of the council by March 2020	To be reported later.	Report Later					

Develop and implement effective financial strategies

				This Year			Last 3 Year	s
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Prepare and implement appropriate financial strategies taking account of economic conditions and local government settlements	Update 2020-21 financial strategy by summer 2019	An update to the 2020-21 Budget Strategy was presented to Executive Committee in June 2019. This will be re-presented to members in the autumn along with savings proposals. It will be further reviewed as required, as the budget process continues.	Green					
Develop a Treasury Management Strategy to minimise risk and support the overall Financial Strategy for the council	Prepare the Annual Treasury Management and Investment Strategies and Prudential indicators by February and report on achievement by September	Council approved a change to the Treasury Management Strategy on 26 June 2019. The Annual Activity Report for 2018-19 was presented to the Finance and Corporate Resources Committee on 7 August 2019.	Green					

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Deliver effective operation of service functions within budget	Ensure revenue and capital expenditure is within budget	As at 16 August 2019, the Revenue budget showed an underspend position of £6.346m while the Capital programme was behind profile by £0.192m, reflecting timescales for the Early Learning Unit project which is now complete.	Green					
Implement the Procurement Strategy Action Plan	Complete actions in action plan within the agreed timescales	Procurement Strategy action plan is progressing in accordance with timescales, with an update and new actions reported to Finance and Corporate Resources Committee in October 2019.	Green					

Implement a Digital and ICT Strategy that meets business needs

				This Year			Last 3 Years	S
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Deliver the core	Critical Business Systems will be available	Critical Business Systems were available to	Green	98.00%	99.90%	99.96%	99.95%	99.97%
business of IT Services	to council Resources for 98 % of core	council Resources for 99.9% of core business						
to support council	business time	time.						
Resources	95% of Help Desk calls will be achieved	100% of Service Centre fault calls were achieved	Green	95.0%	100.0%	99.3%	100.0%	100.0%
	within Service Level Agreement (SLA)	within Service Level Agreement (SLA) targets.						
	targets							
	95% of IT Hardware and Software	100% of hardware and software installations	Green	95.0%	100.0%	99.1%	100.0%	100.0%
	installations will be achieved within SLA	were achieved within Service Level Agreement						
	targets	(SLA) targets.						
Communicate our IT	IT Services will regularly report progress on	Quarterly update presented to CMT on 26	Green					
vision, values and	the council's priority ICT projects	September 2019.						
policies	IT Services will maintain 95% of current ICT	At Q2, 97.86% of the ICT Service plan projects	Green	95.00%	97.86%	95.20%	97.00%	95.00%
	Projects at Green/Complete at any given	were at green/complete status.						
	point in the service planning year							
	Complete the IT hardware and software	Project progressing to schedule. Module	Green					
	installation for the new housing and	development and data import continues.						
	property management system	Workshops and system training also underway.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Complete the roll out of workforce scheduling software for home care services	Gcloud tender process complete and award/legals also complete. Workshops already underway with pilot project to be delivered in December 2019.	Green					
	Phase 2 implementation of the new corporate electronic document and records management system (EDRMS) will see the system rolled out across the council to promote compliant, secure and efficient collaborative working	Project planning phase initiated with first task an upgrade of the current system. Progress being made in Resources albeit final project plan to be agreed by Project Review Board.	Green					
	Develop a digital inclusion stategy	Digital inclusion strategy will be completed by the end of Resource Plan year 2019-20. Commenced citizen survey of internet usage and digital inclusion to inform strategy.	Green					
	Complete procurement for migration of server and storage estate to cloud hosted solution	Procurement and award to be completed no later than June 2020. Stage 1 of procurement currently in progress.	Green					
Manage and deliver effective IT Security	Security policies and frameworks will be maintained to current national and international standards including implementation of the Scottish Public Sector Action Plan on Cyber Resilience and achieving Cyber Essentials Plus accreditation and maintaining the UK Cabinet Office Public Sector Network (PSN) certification	PSN certification has been achieved. Implementation of the Public Sector Cyber Resilience Action Plan is progressing well and preparations are now underway for Cyber Essentials re-accreditation renewal in November.	Green					
	Formal business continuity plans and processes are in place for the council's business critical information systems	IT Services business continuity plans were last reviewed and updated in December 2018. Next review will take place no later than December 2019.	Green					
	97% of scheduled backups will be successfully completed within the agreed service levels	98.95% of scheduled backups were successfully completed within the agreed service levels.	Green	97.0%	99.0%	98.6%	98.7%	99.1%

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Implement a Digital and ICT Strategy that meets business needs

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Progress the council's	IT Services will regularly report progress on	Quarterly update presented to CMT on 26	Green					
Digital Strategy within	digital transformation activities	September 2019. This included information about						
the Resource		October relaunch of Scottish Local Government						
		Digital Office programme.						

Develop improvement activity and promote scrutiny

				This Year -			Last 3 Year	rs
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Value Management arrangements to ensure	Use the results of benchmarking activity (including Local Government Benchmarking Framework) to inform and improve service delivery	The council's self-assessment and improvement programme uses benchmarking data, including the Local Government Benchmarking Framework, to identify areas of potential under-performance. This helps drive service improvement through evidence-based self-assessment. The LGBF is also used to develop an action plan for areas where services perform below the Scottish average. In 2019-20 this will be enhanced with an analysis of family groups within the LGBF.	Green					
	Progress actions arising from BVAR 2019 within agreed timescales	An action plan addressing the recommendations within the BVAR was presented to the meeting of the Council on 26 June 2019. The action plan will be implemented and reported throughout the 2019-20 reporting year.	Green					

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Maintain awareness of the process and share learning from complaints through quarterly and annually reporting: Website updated quarterly, within 5 working days of CMT approval	The annual complaints report was presented to the Corporate Management Team (CMT) on 1 August and to the Executive Committee on the 28 August 2019.	Green					
· ·	The quarterly report for the period ending June 2019 (Q1) was presented to the CMT on 19 September 2019. Website to be updated to show Q1 figures.						
Further develop the Annual Performance Spotlights to take into account suggestions made by external auditors – by March 2020	All Annual Performance Spotlights now feature infographics showing whether performance is improving or not and whether the target has been met (if appropriate). The ability to click on links under each spotlight for related information has been added. These enhancements respond	Green					
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Improve the skills, flexibility and capacity of the workforce

			This Year			Last 3 Years		
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Ensure our commitment	Launch the Recruitment Strategy and	Work is ongoing in respect to changes in	Report Later					
to employees through	revised recruitment procedures to	recruitment.						
the development and	employees and managers by 31 March							
implementation of	2020							
personnel policies and	Labour turnover rate to be contained at 5%	At the end of Quarter 2 the Resources labour	Green	5.0%	2.3%	3.2%	4.5%	4.1%
employee learning and	or less (Resource)	turnover rate was 2.3%. This represents an						
development (L&D)		increase of 1.1% when compared with Quarter 1.						
opportunities	Labour turnover rate to be contained at 5%	At the end of Quarter 2 the Council wide labour	Green	5.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.8%	4.6%
	or less (council-wide)	turnover rate was 2.5%. This represents an						
		increase of 1.7% when compared with Quarter 1.						
	Sickness absence days per teacher	This is a Local Government Benchmarking	Report Later			6.5	6.0	6.1
		Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2019-20 figures will						
		be available in January 2021.						

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Sickness absence days per employee (non teacher)	This is a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicator. 2019-20 figures will be available in January 2021.	Report Later			11.6	11.5	12.0
	100% coverage of Performance Appraisals (PAs) of employees in scope (Resource)	At the end of Quarter 2 the Resource completion rate was 60%. This represents an increase of 27% when compared with Quarter 1.	Amber	100.0%	60.0%	94.3%	96.6%	90.0%
	100% coverage of Performance Appraisals (PAs) of employees in scope (council-wide)	At the end of Quarter 2 the Council wide completion rate was 47%. This represents an increase of 28% when compared with Quarter 1.	Amber	100.0%	47.0%	87.6%	90.5%	88.0%
	Work towards the 2020 accredited review of Investors in People to achieve gold status	The 2019 interim review is planned and scheduled for late October through to the end of November. The senior leaders reviews will be conducted on 24 and 25 October with the outcomes being cascaded into the full review in November. Report is due for publication in January 2020.	Report Later					
Utilise the council workforce strategy toolkit to review and produce workforce plans to be in place by 2020	Continue to review workforce plans and monitor actions to respond to workforce changes and meet future needs in line with the workforce planning review cycle (Resource)	The Resource workforce plan has been reviewed and will be reported to Finance and Corporate Committee during Q4 2019-20.	Green					
	Continue to review workforce plans and monitor actions to respond to workforce changes and meet future needs in line with the workforce planning review cycle (council-wide)	The council-wide plan for 2020-23 will be presented to CMT on 28 November and the Resource plans will be reported to Resource committees during Q4 2019-20.	Green					
Deliver an Apprenticeship Programme consistent with the needs of the council	Minimum 90%+ South Lanarkshire Council Apprentices will achieve their Modern Apprenticeship certification	The council is engaging with 230 apprentices. To date 41 have achieved full certification (19 social care, 18 child care and 4 admin), and 2 apprentices have left the programme early reducing the number to 187 apprentices. The achievement rate in relation to achievers is currently 95%.	Green	90.0%	95.0%		100.0%	100.0%

Other actions in support of delivering the Plan and achieving Best Value

				This Year			Last 3 Year	s
Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Maintain a Communications Strategy which outlines how effective internal and external communications will be delivered	Annual update by March 2020	To be reported later.	Report Later					
Provide an effective research and intelligence service to support council decision-making by the council and its partners	Develop dashboards and other tools to provide intelligence at the South Lanarkshire level and for areas underneath it to aid decision-making and resource allocation	The Economic Dashboard has been completed and made publicly available.	Green					
	Provide support as required to Joint Strategic Needs and Opportunity Assessments and other investigative exercises involving the council	Work has been undertaken to support the inspection of the situation of Looked After Children.	Green					
	Provide briefings, reports and analysis as required on social, economic and demographic circumstances, issues and trends - and on policy issues - that may impact on the council, its communities, and services	Briefings on various topics (for example Fairer Scotland for Older People Framework, Skills Action Plan for Rural Scotland, and Big Climate Change) continue to be produced and circulated.	Green					
Administer grants effectively in line with following the public pound	Audit 100% of community grants allocated through Area Committees	Continue to audit all Community Grants for proof of spend	Green	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Achieve customer service targets in person (Q and A) and by telephone (Customer	Customer Service Centre - 95% calls answered	A combination of annual leave and staff absence has resulted in a reduction in performance. Target is expected to be met by the end of the financial year.	Amber	95.0%	91.0%			
Service Centre)	Waiting times less than 60 seconds	A combination of annual leave and staff absence has resulted in a reduction in performance. Target is expected to be met by the end of the financial year.	Amber	60	73			

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Action	Measures (non statistical measures shaded grey)	Comments/ Progress	Status	Target	To Date	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Q and A - Customer satisfaction: Target	At the end of Q2 900 (out of 900) customers	Green	97.0%	100.0%			
	97%	were surveyed in five Q and A offices resulting in						
		a 100% satisfaction rate.						
	Customer appointments: Target 100%	Minor slippage against target. From 374	Amber	100.0%	99.5%			
	within 3 days	completed appointments 2 had to be rearranged						
		at short notice due to unexpected resource						
		shortage. Customers were contacted, apology						
		issued and customers happy to rearrange.						
		Target expected to be met by Q4.						
	Scottish Welfare Fund- average processing	Processing times for Crisis Grants is currently	Green	2 days	2 days			
	times:	equal to target						
	- Crisis Grants: Target 2 working days							
	Community Care Grants: Target: 15 working	Processing times for Community Care Grants is	Green	15 days	15 days			
	days	currently equal to target						