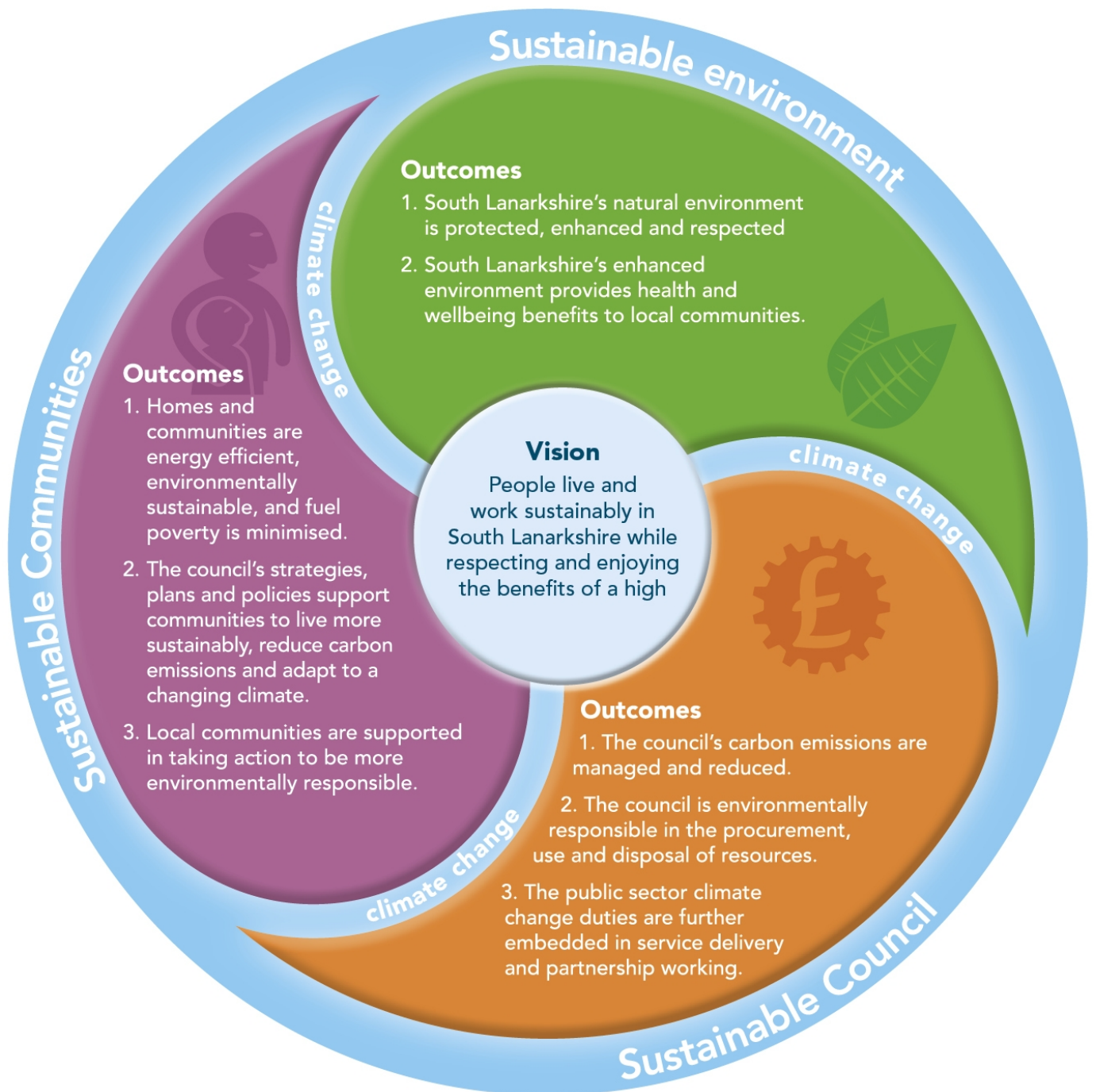


Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-2022

Performance Report Quarter 2 : 2022/23 - April to September






























Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-2022: Vision, Themes and Strategic



Sustainable Development Goals

The United Nations has set a series of [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs). These are 'global goals' and targets that are part of an internationally agreed performance framework. All countries are aiming to achieve these goals by 2030. They address the global challenges, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice.

Scotland has adopted the SDGs and the public sector has a role in contributing to the goals. Each of the Strategy's themes contributes to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals at a local level. The summary below outlines which SDGs each strategy theme contributes to:

Theme	Goal	Sustainable Development Goals
Sustainable Council	South Lanarkshire Council is a leading example in environmental performance across South Lanarkshire and that sustainable development principles and tackling climate change, in response to the climate emergency, underpins all council activities, decisions and actions	      
Sustainable Environment	South Lanarkshire's high-quality natural environment and public spaces provides essential services and shared benefits for people and wildlife	     
Sustainable Communities	South Lanarkshire Council's activities, decisions and actions enable communities, businesses and individuals to live, work and enjoy South Lanarkshire in a more sustainable and environmentally friendly way, help build resilience to the impacts of climate change and a just transition to a net-zero society	             

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.

Overarching Theme

Priority Outcome

Progress update against outcome

Measure Status – are we on course to achieve? The "traffic light" codes are:

- Green On target or due to achieve with no issues
- Amber There may be problems or minor slippage
- Red Not on course, major slippage anticipated
- Blue Action to achieve change complete

Measures which are to be reported later or which are "for information only" are not colour coded

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/Progress	Status	This Year Target	To Date	Last 3 Years
Percentage of streets found to be acceptable during survey (Local Environmental Audit and Management System street cleanliness score)	The LEAMS score for April to July 2020 was 97.1%, this is above the annual target score of 95.5%	Green	95.5%	97.1%	95.5% 94.5% 95.9%
The biennial State of the Environment report for South Lanarkshire provides a baseline for identifying local environmental issues and provides an overview	The 2019 edition of the South Lanarkshire State of the Environment Report was approved by the Executive Committee in February 2020. Key findings from the Report show that of the 55 indicators, 24 (43.6%) have a good status, 23 (41.8%) have a fair status and the remaining 8 (14.6%) have a poor status. Work is progressing well to update The State of the Environment Report on the digital learning platform, glow, for use within schools. Work on the 2021 edition will begin in early 2021 and will be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval around March 2022.	Confidential	---	---	0 0 0

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

Action	Measures	Comments/Progress	Status
Review and update guidance for building standards surveyors in relation to climate change mitigation in new buildings and the adaptation of existing buildings	Complete review and develop service specific actions by March 2021. Awareness sessions to be developed for planning officers and developers/agents to ensure roll out in 2021-22	National consultation on revised energy standards for new buildings expected before the end of 2020, this will form the basis of service specific actions.	Green
Provide advice and support to businesses in the transition to a net-zero economy	Develop an Economic Response, Recover and Renewal Strategy framed around three themes: People, Place and Business whilst creating the right conditions for a low carbon economy	Recovery strategy is being developed with phased implementation-additional resources approved at CER Committee on 15 September. Business Support Grants' budgets increased and eligibility and assessment criteria have been reviewed with three forms of support-Small, Recovery and Growth grants open to applications from 23 September 2020. Preparing to recruit additional business support officers. Preparing marketing/development brief and proposed market testing of Langlands, East Kibble, Strategic Investment site	Green
	Support provided to Smart Sustainable East Kibble (SSEK) in the delivery of their action plan priorities for 2020-21	Some realignment of objectives and resources has taken place with SSEK engagement events able to switch to online virtual delivery via Zoom meetings and resource switched from some physical delivery to Transport Scotland sponsored Near Homes Working innovation project.	Green

Summary (Section 1) - number of Quantitative Measures green, amber and red under each Sustainable Development Theme

Sustainable Development Theme	Green	Amber	Red	Report later / Contextual	Total
Sustainable Council	2			5	7
Sustainable Environment				3	3
Sustainable Communities	3	1	1	13	18
Total	5	1	1	21	28

Summary (Section 2) - number of Improvement Actions complete, green, amber and red under each Sustainable Development Theme

Council Priority/ Theme	Complete	Green	Amber	Red	Report later	Total
Sustainable Council	2	9	1		2	14
Sustainable Environment	1	13	4		1	19
Sustainable Communities		13	1			14
Total	3	35	6	0	3	47

Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy - Section 1: Quantitative Measures

The following section provides performance and contextual measures for each of the themes in the strategy. The performance measures highlights progress towards each of the outcomes. The contextual measures provide a health check; however, these are not fully in the scope of influence for the Council.

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

The council's carbon emissions are managed and reduced

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	This Year		Last 3 Years		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Reduction in the council's greenhouse gas emissions achieved by March 2023 (buildings, waste, street lighting, transport)	<p>The results for financial year 2022-23 will be reported in July 2023.</p> <p>The results for financial year 2021-22 were calculated and reported to CMT in August 2022. It was reported that the council's carbon emissions reduced by 17% compared with baseline year 2019-20. This is partly due to the continued service disruption throughout the year due to Covid, reductions in national carbon conversion factors and reduced amounts of household waste going to landfill.</p>	Report Later	5.0%	-----	44.0%	19.0%	17.0%
Percentage of non-domestic buildings that are heated through low/zero carbon technologies	There is a strategic energy review underway, and this will address how we are going to achieve the 70% target by 2032. Work continues on three feasibility studies (Primary school heating and fabric upgrades, Primary school PV feasibility, Zero emissions upgrades to wet leisure properties) the results of which will inform decisions on the technical options and costs associated with the decarbonisation of the property estate.	Green	70.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Percentage of the Council's cars and light vehicles that are ultra-low emission vehicles	<p>The Scottish Government's Climate Change Plan 2018–2032, published in February 2018, sets a target to phase out the need for all petrol and diesel cars from the public sector fleet by 2025.</p> <p>South Lanarkshire Council is on target to replace our entire fleet of diesel/petrol cars and small vans with fully electric vehicles by the end of 2024. Over the past two years we have made steady progress towards this with some 28% of the car and small van fleet (202 of 711) now fully electric.</p>	Green	-----	28.0%	0.0%	24.0%	28.0%

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	This Year		Last 3 Years		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Continued reduction in the procurement of single-use plastic items across the Council compared to the baseline year of 2018-19	<p>This data, detailing the reductions for targeted single use items such as cutlery, cups, straws and food containers, is measured once per year. The 2021-22 figure was reported to the Corporate Management Team in June 2022. The 2022-23 data will be reported in June/July 2023.</p>	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	-----	57.0%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

The Public Sector Climate Change Duties are further embedded in service delivery and partnership working

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Carbon emissions in tonnage for South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority. (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data was published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2022. It has a two-year lag therefore this figure (1,071) relates to carbon emissions for 2020. Data for the South Lanarkshire area in 2020 shows a reduction of 10% from 2019.	Contextual	-----	-----	1,289.3	1,263.2	1,071.0
Percentage reduction on area-wide emissions compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2022. Data (-10.3%) is for calendar year 2020.	Contextual	-----	-----	-3.7%	-2.2%	-10.3%
Per capita: emission within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy in June 2022. Data (3.30) is for calendar year 2020. Data for the South Lanarkshire area in 2020 shows a reduction of 10% from 2019 and demonstrates 18% less than the Scottish average.	Contextual	-----	-----	4.10	4.00	3.30

Sustainable Environment

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage of streets found to be acceptable during LEAMS survey	<p>The LEAMS survey has now been replaced by the Litter Monitoring System (LMS). This is a statutory requirement and involves external validation by Keep Scotland Beautiful.</p> <p>In 2021-22, South Lanarkshire Council continued to score higher for its street cleansing service than the Scottish average, with 92.10% of streets surveyed found to be of an acceptable standard. This is down slightly from 94.05% in 2020-21.</p> <p>The LMS results for 2022-23 will be reported as part of the LGBF framework in early 2024.</p>	Report Later	94.1%	-----	94.8%	94.1%	92.1%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Environment

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Numbers participating in Get Walking Lanarkshire health walks programme	Numbers are not collated until the year end, and will be reported in quarter four. A baseline target for this measure is yet to be established.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	4,786
Number of Environmental Volunteering days	Numbers are not collated until the year end, and will be reported in quarter four.	Report Later	2,000	-----	8,221	2,380	4,168

Sustainable Communities

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
% of council stock meeting the SHQS	To be reported at year end.	Report Later	-----	-----	93.22%	93.50%	72.25%
% of council dwellings that are Energy Efficiency Standard for Social Housing 2 (EESH2)	To be reported at year end.	Report Later	-----	-----	93.39%	93.88%	98.64%
Housing carbon emissions in tonnage for South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Data (490.4) published in June 2022 is for calendar year 2020. Data for the South Lanarkshire area in 2020 shows a reduction of 5% from 2019.	Contextual	-----	-----	536.9	535.2	490.4
Percentage reduction on housing area-wide emissions compared to previous year: emissions within the scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Published in June 2022, data is for calendar year 2020.	Contextual	-----	-----	-6.5%	-0.3%	-4.5%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Fuel poverty percentage in South Lanarkshire	<p>Estimates relating to local authority area fuel poverty rates are compiled from the national Scottish Household Condition Survey which was last conducted in 2019.</p> <p>At that time 22% of households in South Lanarkshire were estimated to be in fuel poverty, however with the significant energy price increases observed over the past 12 months this figure is expected to substantially increase.</p> <p>The 2021 survey findings are due for release early 2023, however the information will not be directly comparable with previous years due to the limited survey carried out via telephone/video.</p>	Report Later	-----	-----	20.0%	22.0%	22.0%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage of total household waste that is recycled in 2022 (reported per calendar year)	<p>Measure is reported per calendar year. The figure for quarter two (April to June 2022) was 45.07%. This equates to 40.28% for the year to date (2022). This is below the 2021 figure of 41.50%, and remains below the target figure of 50.00%.</p> <p>Higher residual waste tonnages collected at the kerbside due to Covid-19 and home-working, high residual waste content in bulk uplifts (black bag waste accepted), and more non-recyclable waste being disposed of in Household Waste Recycling Centres, are all factors that need to be taken into account when understanding the household waste recycling performance.</p> <p>A new contract is now in place for bulky waste (from 1 April 2022), and this has increased the amount of bulky waste being recycled. the previous contract only managed approximately 15% however the new contract is now recycling over 50% of this waste.</p> <p>The service is also currently recruiting Waste Education Officers to roll out a new service change for flatted properties to try and improve the recycling rate. Currently the majority of the material is too badly contaminated to recycle and ends up being disposed of as residual waste.</p>	Red	50.00%	40.28%	46.40%	40.50%	41.50%
Percentage of material accepted by the council's paper and card processor (reported per calendar year)	<p>This measure is reported per calendar year. The figure for quarter two (April to June 2022) was 98.6%. This equates to 97.7% for the year to date, exceeding the target of 97.0%.</p>	Green	97.0%	97.7%	97.0%	94.1%	97.1%

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage of household waste recycled at the council's household waste and recycling centres (reported per calendar year)	<p>Measure is reported per calendar year. The figure for quarter two (April - June 2022) was 62.3%. This equates to 57.7% for the year to date, which is below the target of 64.5%.</p> <p>The drop in recycling levels can be attributed to a greater amount of black bag (non-recyclable) waste being brought to site by members of the public since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, with more residual waste being produced by households as many residents continue to work from home. The 64.5% target reflects the pre-pandemic figures, when recycling rates were higher.</p>	Amber	64.5%	57.7%	64.5%	63.3%	59.3%
Percentage of household waste sent to landfill in 2022 (reported per calendar year)	<p>Measure is reported per calendar year. The percentage of household waste sent to landfill in quarter two (April to June 2022) was 1.5%, and the year to date figure for 2022 is 1.9%. This is significantly better than the 10% target.</p> <p>Viridor prioritise South Lanarkshire Council waste over waste from other sources at the Dunbar Energy Recovery Facility, and so the council's residual waste is sent to other Energy from Waste facilities (rather than landfills) during planned and un-planned outages.</p> <p>The council also awarded a new contract for bulky waste which contains provisions to divert more of the waste stream from landfill than under previous contracts.</p>	Green	10.0%	1.9%	-----	9.7%	8.7%
Number of properties prone to flooding in South Lanarkshire	<p>The SEPA National Flood Risk Assessment in 2011, which provided us with a total number of properties at risk of flooding within South Lanarkshire, was updated in 2018.</p> <p>The original 2011 NFRA used centrally located GIS points to identify properties, whereas 2018 NFRA used building outlines which meant many more properties were now included in the at-risk numbers as flood water predicted within the footprint of a building was being more accurately recorded.</p>	Contextual	8,500	8,500	0	8,500	8,500

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Communities

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage of adults travelling to work by active or public transport (Scottish Household Survey)	Transport Scotland have advised that the 2021 data is due to be published February 2023. However, since the SHS moved to telephone interviewing due to Covid-19, more resources are needed to assess and calculate the data and it is anticipated that only a national figure will be published. Therefore, South Lanarkshire specific data is unlikely to be available.	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	-----	-----
Percentage mode share of children travelling to school by active or public transport (annual national 'Hands Up' survey)	<p>Surveys to determine the 2022 data were undertaken in September and it is anticipated results will be published in February 2023.</p> <p>For 2021, there were 59% of children travelling to primary and secondary school by active or public transport during 2021 (excluding nursery). 40.4% walked, 2.9% cycled, 2.3% by scooter/skate and 13.4% by bus.</p> <p>This is a slight decrease of 0.8% when compared to 2020 data which was 59.8%. (39.4% walked, 2.8% cycled, 1.9% by scooter/skate and 15.7% by bus).</p> <p>Nationally in 2021 and 2020 these figures were 64.8% and 65.3% showing a 0.5% decrease.</p>	Report Later	-----	-----	0.0%	59.8%	59.0%
Number of charging infrastructure points available to the public within South Lanarkshire	No year-to-date numbers. Works are currently ongoing to install 12 new dual on-street 7kw chargers at various locations throughout South Lanarkshire. In addition, we are awaiting a programme from our contractor to complete the installation of six dual chargers in the Old Mill Street car park in East Kilbride.	Report Later	-----	-----	42	43	133
Carbon emissions tonnage for transport emissions in South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	<p>Annual data published by Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Data (278.7) published in June 2022 is for calendar year 2020.</p> <p>Data for the South Lanarkshire area in 2020 shows a reduction of 20% from 2019.</p>	Contextual	-----	-----	367.2	346.9	278.7

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Sustainable Communities

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage reduction in carbon emissions from transport compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Data (-20%) published in June 2022 is for calendar year 2020.	Contextual	-----	-----	0.9%	-5.5%	-20.0%
Carbon emission tonnage for industry in South Lanarkshire: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Data (214.1) published in June 2022 is for calendar year 2020. Data for the South Lanarkshire area in 2020 shows a reduction of 7% from 2019.	Contextual	-----	-----	333.1	328.4	214.1
Percentage reduction in carbon emissions from industry in South Lanarkshire compared to previous year: emissions within scope of Local Authority (figures from BEIS with a 2-year lag)	Annual data published by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Data (-11.4%) published in June 2022 is for calendar year 2020.	Contextual	-----	-----	-1.3%	-1.4%	-11.4%

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

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Encourage schools to achieve eco school status	40 South Lanarkshire Council establishments currently hold an Eco-Schools green flag award. Another 8 schools have submitted their plans. The Eco-Schools initiative was recently promoted at the COS1 event with Keep Scotland Beautiful in attendance. Work is ongoing to continue to promote uptake and participation.	Green	40.0	40.0	-----	-----	-----

Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy - Section 2: Improvement Actions

The following section provides improvement actions that contribute towards meeting the outcomes in each theme for this financial year.

Sustainable Council

The council's carbon emissions are managed and reduced

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Continue to implement energy efficiency measures across council facilities including investment in renewable energy solutions and low/ zero-carbon heating where funding allows	Details of projects delivered as part of the CEEF programme during 2022/23	To be reported at end of financial year 2022/23.	Report Later
Continue to implement energy efficiency measures across council facilities including investment in renewable energy solutions and low/ zero-carbon heating where funding allows	Prepare a strategic approach for the transition of non-domestic buildings to low/ zero carbon heating	Work continues on the three feasibility studies (Primary school heating and fabric upgrades, Primary school PV feasibility, Zero emissions upgrades to wet leisure properties) the results of which will inform decisions on the technical options and costs associated with the decarbonisation of the property estate.	Green
Create the conditions for the decarbonisation of the council's fleet	Implement the Fleet Strategy (2020-2025) Action Plan including a reduction in transport related emissions, conversion of fossil fuelled small fleet to full electric and the trialling of new fuel option for the medium to heavy fleet	The Fleet Strategy is undergoing a review given Covid-19 related delays and a report will be brought forward later in 2023 with restated measures and timescales.	Amber

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Improve the environmental outcomes from procurement	Review the scope and scoring of sustainability requirements in contracts to maximise environmental benefits during 2022-23	Recommendations on revised sustainability scoring are due to be considered by CMT: the proposals include a new weighted element for climate sustainability.	Report Later

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
including support for the transition to net zero	Implement the Flexible Framework Sustainability action plan to further embed good procurement practice during 2022-23	The Flexible Framework is updated on a six monthly basis to ensure appropriate progress in the Council's sustainable procurement approach.	Green
Promote the 'reduce, reuse and recycle' principle across the Council to make better use of materials and create less damage to the environment	Initiatives implemented during 2022-23 to reduce, reuse, and recycle more within Council workplaces	Food waste action week was promoted with employees via intranet and email and also with local residents via the Council's social media platforms. Plans are underway within council catering establishments to introduce reusable cups for hot drinks.	Green
	Involvement in national campaigns promoting the circular economy during 2022-23	The plastics ban and Plastic Free July campaign was promoted with council employees via the intranet and global emails. Warmer Homes Scotland campaign was also supported with employees and local residents via social media channels.	Green

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Lead by example and influence area-wide climate change and sustainability action	Finalise the new Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy (2022-2027) for approval alongside the new Council Plan in June 2022	The new Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy (2022-27) has been finalised and was approved at Full Council in June 2022. It was also noted at the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in August 2022.	Complete
	Implement year one of the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy (2022-2027) Action Plan, and report progress at quarter two and quarter four to Climate Change and Sustainability Committee	The Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy (2022-27) Action Plan is being implemented and progress is due to be reported at the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in February 2023 (Quarter 2) and August 2023 (Quarter 4).	Green
	Prepare an area-wide emissions reduction route map for South Lanarkshire by March 2023	External consultants, Aether, have been appointed to carry out a study of area wide emissions within the South Lanarkshire area. Internal and external workshops have taken place and draft report is due to be presented around January/February 2023.	Green

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Deliver the £2m Climate Emergency Fund by March 2024	Report on progress and impact of the funding to date to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in March 2023	A mid-term report on the progress and impact of the Climate Emergency Fund was presented to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in November 2022. Further updates will be provided at subsequent committees.	Green
Continue a collaborative approach to climate adaptation and resilience through the city region's Climate Ready Clyde Partnership	The Council's contribution to implementing year 2 of Climate Ready Clyde's Adaptation Strategy Action Plan	<p>The council is a member of the Climate Ready Clyde Local Authority Forum which has been set up to drive forward 'Flagship Action 1' within the Climate Ready Clyde Adaptation Strategy: Local Authorities in the region to work together to build capabilities and deliver collaborative adaptation.</p> <p>The focus of the Forum is on sharing tools, guidance and experience on adaptation approaches, climate impacts on operations, and engaging and equipping the member organisations to adapt.</p> <p>The council also has in place a number of strategies which contribute to climate adaptation, including the Local Development Plan, the Biodiversity Strategy and the Local Transport Strategy.</p>	Green

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Council

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Continue to raise awareness of climate adaptation and resilience across the Council, build internal capacity, accelerating adaptation action, and encourage dialogue on climate adaptation and resilience with communities	Undertake Adaptation Scotland's Capability Framework to understand the Council's capability level and areas for improvement	<p>The Council are part of the Adaptation Scotland Benchmarking working group which meets regularly to discuss key issues and share best practice amongst peers.</p> <p>By undertaking the Adaptation Capability Assessment, the Council can identify where it is on its adaptation journey. This will be progressed during 2023.</p> <p>The council will use the tool to identify areas for improvement and continue to use the framework to further embed climate adaptation across the Council.</p>	Green
Ensure Strategic Environmental Assessment of all appropriate policies, plans, programmes and strategies is undertaken	Produce annual SEA report for Executive Committee, and other governance groups, which includes an assessment of the impact the SEA process has had on the preparation of the plans, policies and strategies, and the difference it had on the final documents	The annual report on SEA progress was approved by the Executive Committee on 29 June 2022. It noted that ten Council led plans had been subject to SEA consideration during 2021 - 2022.	Complete

Sustainable Environment

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Work in partnership to reduce land and air pollution within South Lanarkshire, minimising the impacts on human health and the natural environmental	Progress the development of a formal Litter Strategy that identifies a range of options and timescales to promote the new Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse, with particular emphasis on prevention	The Litter Strategy was approved by the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee on 31 August 2022. We are currently working with graphics and PR for the launch and the creation of material for the promotion.	Green
Work in partnership to reduce land and air pollution within South Lanarkshire, minimising the impacts on human health and the natural environmental	Implement grant funded air quality measures during 2022-23 to support the Air Quality Action Plan	The annual progress report which summarises all the actions taken in terms of air quality has been submitted to Scottish Government and positive responses have been received from Scottish Government and SEPA. Ongoing detailed monitoring is being undertaken in the Blantyre area, with a year of data collection due to be completed January 2023 - the outcome of this study may impact future action planning. We are currently awaiting response to the Lanark detailed assessment report and await the review outcome before embarking on revocation of the Lanark air quality management area. Action plan measures are ongoing including Eco Stars, Walkcycle4air, Love to Ride South Lanarkshire, engine idling campaign works, vehicle emission testing and Beat the Street East Kilbride.	Green
	Implement Contaminated Land Strategy for South Lanarkshire	The development control process considers sites affected by historical industrial legacy contamination. Examples of such developments include Clyde Gateway (Cambuslang/Rutherglen) regeneration, Signify (Hamilton) factory site re-development, as well as the former Motorola (East Kilbride) site re-development. We continue to support the voluntary and development control means of investigating and where necessary remediating land contamination issues.	Green

Sustainable Development Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Sustainable Environment

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
	Implement projects approved within the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund framework for 2022-23	VDLF programme approved at Community and Enterprise Committee on 9 August 2022. Delayed projects from 2021/22 will be implemented in 2022/23 at Cuningar Loop Phase 3, following completion of construction contract at Cuningar Phase 2.	Green
Prepare an Open Space Strategy in partnership with Glasgow and Clyde Valley Green Network Partnership and other council services. Strategy will contain standards on access to and quality of open spaces	Report on draft Open Space Strategy to Planning Committee in March 2023	There has been a further delay with Scottish Government's programme for issuing the Open Space Strategy (OSS) Regulations and Guidance. It will not be possible to make progress on the SLC OSS until these are available. It is unlikely that a report to March 2023 committee is feasible in these circumstances.	Amber
Protect, enhance and respect South Lanarkshire's natural environment	Prepare ash dieback disease action plan by September 2022	This has been completed and was presented to CMT in August 2022. Further updates to be reported and work continues on the action plan and implementation of year 1 work. Bid submitted for additional funding of £500k.	Complete
	Develop new Canopy Cover strategy for approval by Climate Change and Sustainability Committee during 2022-23	Work is progressing well with the strategy and currently on track to meet the deadline.	Green
	Develop new Local Nature Reserve sites using additional Nature Reserve Fund (NRF) monies	Work is ongoing to implement works under Nature Restoration Funding during winter 2022/23.	Green
	Ensure all grounds / planting works identified for Nature Restoration Funds are completed during 2022-23	Seasonal staff will be retained to undertake any works identified by the Countryside and Greenspace team.	Green
	Implement the outcomes of the alternative weedkiller investigations as agreed by Climate Change and Sustainability Committee.	Works are still ongoing in this area and the council continues to trial alternatives. A report will be presented to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in February 2023.	Green

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Sustainable Environment

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
	Ensure compliance with biodiversity via the Biodiversity Implementation Plan (2018-2022) and develop a new Biodiversity Implementation Plan for (2023-2027) for approval by Climate Change and Sustainability Committee by March 2023	Currently progressing the recruitment of a new Biodiversity Officer, and this will remain a priority for this financial year.	Amber
Take action to address and discourage fly tipping	Work with landowners / private properties to agree preventative action, and work with Housing Services to install CCTV cameras in 'hotspot' areas in line with the 2022 investment proposal	Meetings have been held in some areas and 'hotspots' have been identified. Works are also progressing with the purchase of additional CCTV. A site visit is planned with North Lanarkshire to view their system.	Green

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Contribute to community health and wellbeing through active lifestyles and well managed and accessible greenspace	Retain Green Flag accreditation at Strathaven Park, Cambuslang Park and Castlebank Park, through implementation of agreed action plans for 2022-23	All three parks successfully retained Green Flag status, with any minor works identified to be completed during the winter. Upon receipt of the judges comments, meetings will be arranged for next year to discuss action plans with friends of groups and the council.	Green
	Participate in the Shaping Places for Wellbeing programme in partnership with Community Planning which has Rutherglen as a pilot study area	Planning Services are a member of the steering group for this project. Initial work has started following the appointment of a Programme Officer.	Green
	Undertake sample case studies to determine impacts – including % of volunteers expressing positive experience/ health benefits	Case study sampling will take place in early 2023.	Report Later

Sustainable Environment

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
In partnership with local communities, continue programme of restructuring council owned woodland	Continue to explore funding opportunities for phase 2 regeneration work at Greenhall and Millheugh, Blantyre including costed proposals for replacement river crossing	Work is ongoing with the friends of group and some additional works have been completed. The Ranger Service continues to liaise with the group. The Bridge is an issue in terms of sourcing a suitable consultant to undertake the design.	Amber
	Consult on Management Plans for Bothwell and Blantyre Woods with community interests, David Livingstone Centre and other stakeholders	A draft Management Plan was developed in 2019 for Bothwell Woods. Although some initial discussions took place with David Livingstone Trust, delays due to Covid-19 restrictions and lockdowns prevented planned public meetings and exhibitions. Consequently, the service now proposes taking the opportunity to update the plan to take account of the increasing need to address the ash-dieback issues, before embarking on the wider public consultation.	Amber
Encourage active travel by implementing Outdoor Access Strategy and extending Clyde Walkway	Delivery of repairs programme to footbridges across the core path network by March 2023 in line with available external and internal capital funding (The Core Paths Plan)	Ongoing works including complete replacement of some structures.	Green
	Develop plan for linking The Clyde Walkway to 'Scotland's Great Trails' long-distance strategic access network	A LUF bid to extend the Clyde Walkway while also connecting communities has been submitted (Clydesdale Way). Result to be known early 2023. Consultant was engaged to review 2015 feasibility study and they have produced updated proposals. If bid fails, intention is still to pursue proposals as when possible, subject to funding and collaboration with other overlapping projects.	Green

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Sustainable Communities

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Improve energy efficiency of housing stock to help address fuel poverty	Deliver investment projects to increase energy efficiency of housing stock during 2022/23	Site start for External Wall insulation projects has been delayed due to Ecological Survey results. Revised processes for ECO4 programme to be approved shortly.	Amber
Development and implement the Council's next Local Housing Strategy (LHS) contributing to the delivery of the Council's Sustainable Development and Climate Change priorities	Undertake public consultation on the draft LHS and seek approval from Executive Committee by November 2022	The Local Housing Strategy 2022-27 consultative draft has been developed and published online, with a consultation period running until 30th October 2022. A calendar of consultation events with key stakeholders, including tenants and residents, took place. The updated Strategy was presented to the Executive Committee on 30 November 2022.	Green
Continue the development of a Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy for South Lanarkshire	Establish a Cross Resource Working group with relevant Services across the Council and agree a Terms of Reference for the group.	Membership of new working group established. First meeting of the group took place 7 November 2022.	Green

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Sustainable Communities

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Provide an effective and efficient household waste and recycling collection service	Review recycling arrangements at flatted properties to improve the quantity and quality of waste collected, including redesignating blue 'co-mingled' recycling bins (paper, card and cardboard only), and carrying out awareness raising initiatives to highlight the issues with contamination in recycling bins	At Community and Enterprise Resources Committee on 4 October 2022, approval was given to recruit 2 temporary Waste Services Assistants to facilitate 2 projects aimed at reducing residual waste and increasing recycling.	Green

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Manage flooding priorities and deliver prioritised flood protection schemes	Deliver prioritised flood protection projects / studies in line with available capital and revenue funding for 2022-23	<p>River Clyde Flood Modelling and Mapping Project: Work is underway to develop a new hydraulic river model for the River Clyde, produce updated flood maps, and establish current and future flood risk within our area. The cyber-attack experienced by SEPA has severely impacted their ability to review the project's Hydrology and Hydraulics Reports, which has led to delays in this project. Although other project deliverables were brought forward in an attempt to minimise the delay to the programme, the original completion date of May 2021 slipped to December 2021. However, some additional modelling work was required which extended the completion date again into Summer 2022. This project is now complete and deliverables are in hand.</p> <p>East Kilbride Surface Water Management Plan: Work is underway to produce a surface water management plan for East Kilbride. Building on the outputs from Scottish Water's Integrated Catchment Study, this project will identify locations within East Kilbride at risk of flooding and develop innovative solutions for implementation in future programmes of work. This project commenced during 2021/22 and was scheduled for completion in Autumn 2022, however the final report required some minor amendments which rescheduled the completion date to February 2023.</p> <p>Programme of Culvert Maintenance: This is an ongoing programme of works to improve our network of culvert inlets and their surrounding areas in order to improve the performance of our assets and the safety of operatives maintaining these assets. Works identified this year include the repair/replacement of culvert inlet trash screens and the construction of suitable access paths, steps, fencing and handrails.</p>	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Develop new Local Transport Strategy (2024 – 2034)	Progress the development of an updated Local Transport Strategy	Strathclyde Partnership for Transport's draft Regional Transport Strategy is currently out to consultation. Once this is concluded, evaluated and subsequently published with associated policies and actions, it will allow the development of a new strategy for South Lanarkshire to be drafted over the coming 16 months. Preparatory work is being undertaken internally and external resources expected to be appointed during quarter four.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Encourage greater use of public transport by working with partners to improve public transport infrastructure	Deliver prioritised improvements to bus and rail infrastructure (e.g., park and ride) in line with available external funding for 2022-23	<p>A number of projects are being taken forward as outlined below: -</p> <p>Bus Infrastructure Improvements This project consists of enhancing bus stop provision on the Stonelaw Road corridor and will see the provision of high access kerbs/enhanced road markings. Works expected to be completed by March.</p> <p>Lanark Interchange Improvements, This project consists of 2 sections: -</p> <p>Section 1 – Park and Ride. Planning permission has been granted for both phases of Park and Ride. Phase 1 has been completed and a demolition contract is being prepared that will see the removal of the existing building on the site removed. This will allow to completion of the park and ride by the end of March 2023.</p> <p>Section 2 – Bus Station. The design of new bus station layout is progressing along with disabled parking provision at train station building. Contact has been made with Network Rail and a meeting to progress the land acquisition/transfer has been held. Colleagues in Planning will be contacted to discuss whether a Planning Application is required to undertake the works to upgrade the bus station area.</p> <p>Hairmyres Station Park and Ride, This project consists of the design and submission of a planning application for proposed Park and Ride facilities associated with the East Kilbride Rail Enhancement project. The package of works associated with the Park and Ride includes new active travel connections, bus stop and bus layover provision and electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Transport Scotland and Network Rail plan to hold engagement exercises with local members by the end of this</p>	Green

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Encourage active travel by extending our network of cycle routes	Deliver walking and cycling projects / schemes in line with agreed 2022-23 capital programme	<p>A number of cycling and walking projects are progressing and these are listed below: -</p> <p>1) Active Travel Studies – A number of further studies have been commissioned for towns such as Blackwood, Kirkmuirhill, Abington, Crawford, Carnwath, Forth and Biggar. The conclusion of these is expected in March 2023 and will complete studies for all areas of South Lanarkshire.</p> <p>2) East Kilbride Cycle Network – The next phase of the development of a segregated cycle network with enhanced pedestrian facilities in East Kilbride has commenced on Churchill Avenue. This will link West Mains Road to Cornwall Street and towards the trunk road network on the A726. It is anticipated that works will be completed in the coming months.</p> <p>3) Carstairs to Carluke – Works which include surfacing upgrades, shared cycle /pedestrian crossing points of the A706 and A70, signing, road markings and other associated works are currently scheduled to begin in October and likely to be completed by the end of the calendar year.</p> <p>4) Cycle Parking Provision in Town Centres – Locations for new shelters are currently being identified and works will be programmed to be completed before the end of March.</p> <p>5) Cycle Shelters and parking stands in schools – Locations for new shelters are currently being identified and works will be programmed to be completed before the end of March.</p> <p>6) Cycle Route designs continue being taken forward in various locations Larkhall to Blackwood / Carluke and Law / Hamilton / Lanark</p>	Green

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

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Provide the opportunities for children and young people to be more involved in local climate change and sustainability action.	Empower the involvement of children and young people in schools and through the Young People's Forum to help shape and influence Council outcomes in the sustainable development and climate change strategy	<p>The Youth Forum for Climate Change and Sustainability have been working towards the Conference of Schools 1 event, Hamilton Palace Sports Grounds 11 - 13 October 2022. 540 primary children are expected to attend over the 3 days. Youth forum members will deliver a series of 5 workshops based around their TIERS- Travelling, Influencing, Eating, 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) and Shopping.</p> <p>As well as the youth forum children who are delivering the workshops, South Lanarkshire staff, Keep Scotland Beautiful and TEDxGlasgow will attend to help support the work within the TIERS and the activities being delivered.</p> <p>Young people and staff who attended the workshops will be asked to make a pledge- this can be shared further within schools. There will also be a resource shared with all primary school head teachers providing an overview of the speeches, presentation, activities and events that have taken place at COS1. This resource contains teaching resources for schools to use to encourage and further embed the teaching and learning for climate change and sustainability within their schools.</p>	Green

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	Organise a pupil led COP conference involving primary, secondary and ASN schools	The COS 1 schools pilot conference was successfully held across Education schools at Palace Grounds on 11-13 October 2022 with a high level of participation. Schools will now look to undertake a pledge to change their behaviour in working towards more sustainable practice in their school and promoting this in the wider community.	Green
Develop a sustainable food system to overcome social, health, economic and environmental issues related to food	Implement year three of the Good Food Strategy (2020-2025) Action Plan, and report progress at quarter two and quarter four to Climate Change and Sustainability Committee	The action plan of the Good Food Strategy for 2022-2023 was approved by the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in August 2022. The Quarter Two progress report was presented to the same Committee in November 2022.	Green
Deliver the £0.3m Food Strategy Support Fund by March 2024	Report on progress and impact of the funding to date to the Climate Change and Sustainability Committee in March 2023	<p>The fund continues to be monitored, with £0.27m fully committed to projects. A planning application has been approved for the creation of a formal allotment site at the vacant and derelict site within Chatelherault Country Park. The tender for the project will be published in early 2023.</p> <p>The Food Strategy Community grant fund has been fully allocated and the fund is now closed to new applications.</p> <p>A report on the progress and impact of the fund will be presented at a subsequent Committee to allow the projects to be implemented.</p>	Green

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Deliver an economic development strategy to capitalise on our economic strengths, tackle weaknesses and create a flourishing, green, dynamic, and equitable place for all	Consult on the draft Economic Strategy (2022-2027) during Summer 2022, and present the final Strategy for Committee approval by October 2022	The final community consultation exercise was completed on 26 September 2022. Results were then collated and the final strategy was presented to Community and Enterprise Resources Committee slightly behind schedule, in December 2022.	Green
Work towards compliance with Part 9 of the Community Empowerment Act 2015 in relation to food growing	Continue to identify opportunities to increase food growing provision throughout South Lanarkshire by March 2023 through working in partnership to support the development of community sites/educational activities via a small grant fund and progress new sites in areas of demand where funding has been identified	Two potential new allotment sites have been identified and are in the planning phase. Formal planning application has been submitted for the proposed site at Chatelherault, and further design work is being carried out for the proposed site at Springwells. £18,548.55 grant approval to early years settings and community groups through the council's small food growing grants scheme.	Green