



The cover graphic features a large white plate with a green rim and a grey fork resting on it. The text "South Lanarkshire" is in blue, "Good Food" is in large green letters, and "Strategy 2020-2025" is in red. The background is a warm orange-yellow gradient with various food-related icons like a cow, a carrot, a tomato, a whisk, a chef, a strawberry, a cheese wedge, and a sheep. At the bottom right, there is a circular logo with a leaf, a gear, and a person, with the text "Sustainable South Lanarkshire" below it.

South
Lanarkshire
**Good
Food**
Strategy
2020-2025

Performance Report

Quarter 2 : 2021/22 - April to September

Sustainable
South Lanarkshire

What are the objectives of the Good Food Strategy?

There are 12 objectives categorised into six themes.

Good Food at Home and in the Community

1. Support individuals, families and communities in strengthening Good Food culture, in particular in relation to health and wellbeing, in developing interest and skills for food, including food growing and cooking. Promoting Good Food during pregnancy, childhood and old age is a priority.
2. By working with existing community food initiatives and partners, help reducing food insecurity and poverty by building the resilience of individuals and families and preventing crisis. If emergency support is needed, encourage dignified and respectful responses.



Good Food in the Public Sector

3. Ensure that the council prepares, serves and promotes enjoyable, healthy, and sustainable food in council properties and schools by seeking to meet the Soil Association Food for Life standards as appropriate.
4. Engage with partners and the private sector to explore and research opportunities to improve public procurement of food, including in relation to the provision of local food.



Good Food Economy

5. Support the development of safe, healthy and affordable local retail and catering food environments.
6. Encourage the development of a thriving and sustainable local food economy that is fair and inclusive, and contributes to the creation of decent and skilled jobs in the food sector.



Good Food Growing

7. Increase the provision of high quality food growing opportunities.
8. Engage with partners and local food growing initiatives to promote and support sustainable food growing.



Good Food for the Environment

9. Reduce food waste and food packaging in the public sector and support the community and the private sector to do so, redistribute food surplus and support food composting.
10. Connect with the community, partners and the private sector to reduce the impacts of the food system on the environment and its contribution to climate change and promote animal welfare.



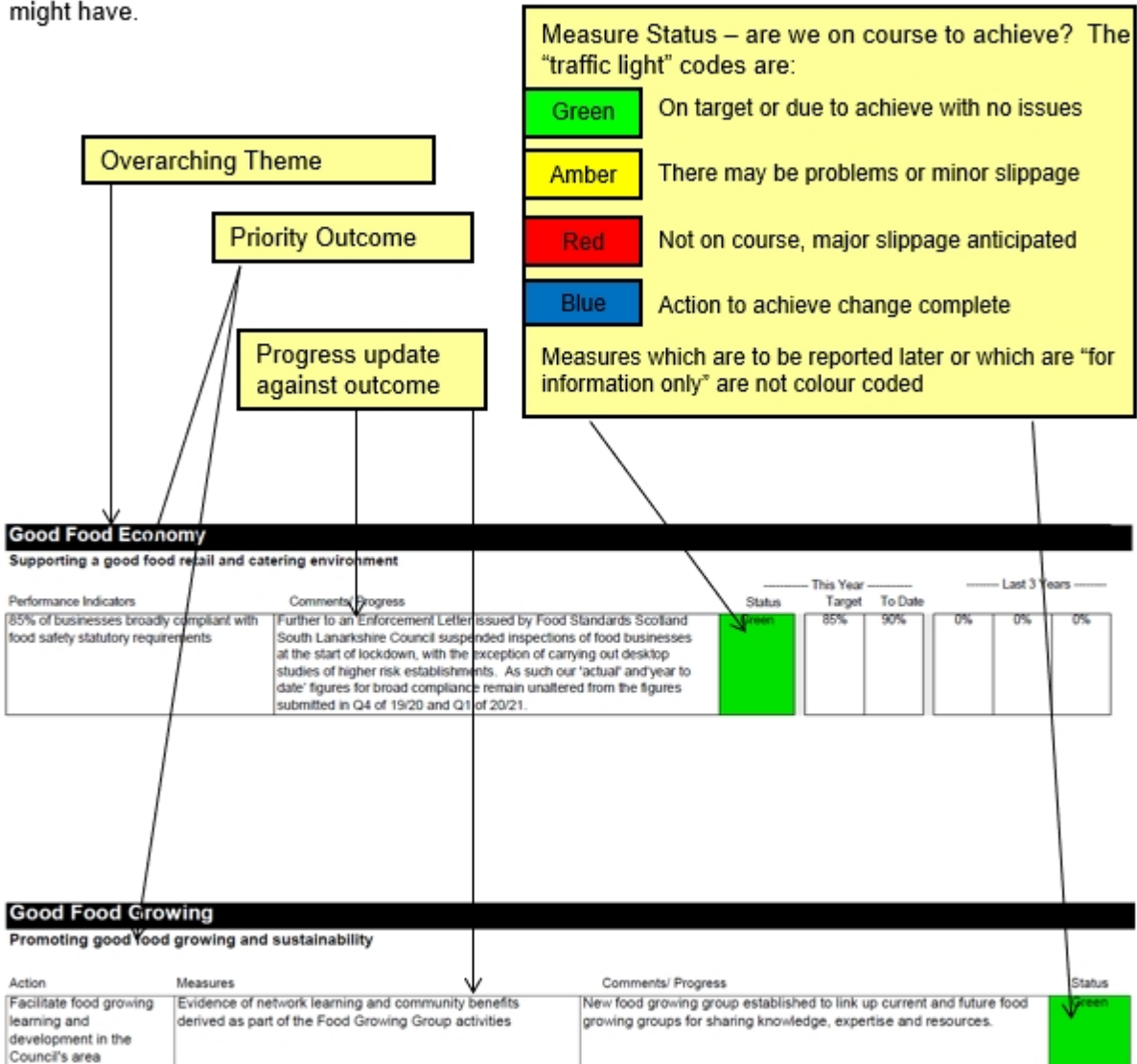
Good Food Governance

11. Engage with, build on and support the various local food initiatives and encourage collaboration and partnership.
12. Ensure that healthy, sustainable, fair food is embedded in local policies, increase policy coherence and guarantee that food has a high profile across the council by connecting with partners.



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 (Section 1) - number of Quantitative Measures green, amber and red under each Good Food Strategy objective

Theme	Green	Amber	Red	Report later / Contextual	Total
Good Food at Home and in the Community	2	1			3
Good Food Economy	1				1
Good Food for the Environment	3			4	7
<i>Good Food Governance</i>					
Good Food Growing	3			2	5
Good Food in the Public Sector				5	5
Total	9	1	0	11	21

Summary (Section 2) - number of Project Measures complete, green, amber and red under each Good Food Strategy objective

Theme	Complete	Green	Amber	Red	Report later	Total
Good Food at Home and in the Community		10				10
Good Food in the Public Sector	1	4			1	6
Good Food Economy		5			1	6
Good Food Growing		4				4
Good Food for the Environment		3			2	5
Good Food Governance		5				5
Total	1	31	0	0	4	36

Good Food Strategy

Section 1: Quantitative measures

Good Food Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Good Food at Home and in the Community

1. Supporting good food education and culture 2. Reducing food poverty and insecurity

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Number of learners from the Youth Family and Community Learning service benefiting from food related learning programmes	190 YFCL learners have benefited from food related learning programmes including: Trinity gardening programme; Larkhall community culture ASN group; Carlisle young carers; in DofE Gold Activity Week which had a focus on cooking and the outdoors; Non-Bake baking activities for all groups of children / young people attending St Pauls Summer Hub and the pocket park project in East Kilbride for food and herb growing. As a result of this engagement, learners have improved confidence and self-esteem, mental health, physical health and wellbeing. No target was established as the baseline has to be redefined due to the post Covid-19 context.	Green	-----	190	0	0	0
Share of free school meals uptake in primary schools	Uptake continues to be impacted by Covid-19. This is a year to date position which includes April to June where schools were not fully operating due to COVID. The figure does not reflect uptake in a normal year.	Amber	65%	57%	0%	0%	0%
Share of free school meals uptake in secondary schools	Uptake continues to be impacted by Covid-19.	Green	41%	41%	-----	-----	41%

Good Food in the Public Sector

3. Improving food in schools and in council properties 4. Improving food in public places

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Level of primary school meal uptake (as proportion of total primary school meals which could be taken up over the period).	School meal uptake figures continue to be affected by Covid-19 and its impact on school attendance (i.e. through home-schooling and self-isolating). Target shown is the 2019-20 level and is for contextual purposes only this year.	Contextual	59%	54%	-----	59%	41%

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Level of secondary school meal uptake (as proportion of total secondary school meals which could be taken up over the period).	School meal uptake figures continue to be affected by Covid-19 and its impact on school attendance (i.e. through home-schooling and self-isolating). Target shown is the 2019-20 level and is for contextual purposes only this year.	Contextual	47%	33%	-----	47%	24%
Number of lunches served in nursery schools as part of new Scottish Government Early Years Initiative.	Data is incomplete for quarter two, as period six information is not yet available yet. The figure shown includes period one through five only. Target shown is the 2019-20 number and is for contextual purposes only this year.	Contextual	288,486	139,088	-----	288,486	218,249
Public procurement spending in Fairtrade produces	This figure is reported annually and will be provided in the Q4 report. Baseline needs to be established.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	£3,890
Public procurement spending in local food (i.e. food produced or manufactured in Scotland and in Lanarkshire)	This figure is reported annually and will be provided in the Q4 report. Baseline needs to be established.	Report Later	-----	-----	0	0	0

Good Food Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Good Food Economy

5. Supporting a good food retail and catering environment 6. Encouraging a fair and inclusive local food economy

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	----- This Year -----			----- Last 3 Years -----		
		Status	Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Food businesses compliant with food safety statutory requirements	<p>The rating scheme used to determine broad compliance with food safety requirements in food businesses operating within South Lanarkshire and inspected by Environmental Services changed on 1st July 2019. The previous food law rating scheme focused on broad compliance with food hygiene requirements only, whereas the new scheme assesses overall compliance with both food hygiene and food standards legislation.</p> <p>Under the combined old and new food law rating schemes, 93% were found to be broadly compliant in the second quarter of 2021-22 (July - September 2021). This equates to 2,508 food businesses. Year to date, 92% were found to be broadly compliant with both food hygiene and food standards legislation.</p> <p>This compliance figure continues to exceed the annual target set for this measure and has increased gradually since the new food law rating scheme has come into effect.</p>	Green	85%	92%	-----	-----	90%

Good Food Growing

7. Providing food growing opportunities 8. Promoting good food growing and sustainability

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	----- This Year -----			----- Last 3 Years -----		
		Status	Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Size of Prime Agriculture Land protected from development	This figure is reported annually and will be provided in the Q4 report.	Report Later	6,213	-----	0	0	0
Number of overall plot holders on council managed sites	This figure is updated from last quarter's figure to include the 61 new plot holders in Lammermoor allotments, which opened in June 2021.	Green	301	316	0	0	0

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Good Food Growing

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Size of the land provided for council managed food growing sites	This figure is reported annually and will be provided in the Q4 report.	Report Later	44,830	-----	0	0	0
Number of participants in food growing in other council land including schools, care homes, housing areas and areas managed by community groups or third party organisations	Based on numbers submitted to 19th October 2021, the figure provided is the total number of people involved from the community and schools. No growing activity was taking place on community sites, care homes and other sites until the end of May due to lockdown restrictions, so this represents the quarterly information from July until October. Some activities were taking place remotely like seed exchanges to facilitate growing at home or at other locations. Seed packs (2500) and grow potatoes and pollinators at home packs (420) were issued by East Kilbride Development Trust and Grow 73 for people to participate in food growing. Activities range from growing small things like lettuce and other salad leaves, potatoes, pumpkins for Halloween, and harvesting fruit from orchards.	Green	2,053	5,389	0	0	0
Occupancy level at council managed sites	Percentage rate of occupancy as at 19th October 2021.	Green	95%	99%	0%	0%	0%

Good Food for the Environment

9. Reducing food waste and packaging 10. Limiting the impact of food system on the environment and climate change

Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Share of householders using the council's food waste collection service	Participation survey scheduled for February 2022 (resources permitting). There is less garden waste during the winter months and therefore collection loads will be more reflective of food waste only.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Share of food waste from school kitchen	Pilot being carried out to establish baseline.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Share of food waste from school dining room	Pilot being carried out to establish baseline.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Share of food waste from school kitchen recycled/composted	Pilot being carried out to establish baseline.	Report Later	-----	-----	-----	-----	100%
Share of fish respecting MSC standards served in council properties and schools	The service is and will remain committed to purchasing fish that meets Marine Stewardship Council standards. This means that fisheries are assessed by accredited independent certifiers with regards to fish stocks, environmental impacts and fisheries management.	Green	100%	100%	-----	-----	100%

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Performance Indicators	Comments/ Progress	Status	----- This Year -----		----- Last 3 Years -----		
			Target	To Date	2018/19	2019/20	2020/
Share of chicken respecting red tractor standards served in council properties and schools	The service is and will remain committed to purchasing chicken that meets Red Tractor standards. The standard means that chicken has been responsibly sourced, safely produced and respects animal welfare criteria.	Green	100%	100%	-----	-----	100%
Share of red butcher meat respecting QMS standard served in council properties and schools	The service is and will remain committed to purchasing meat that meets Quality Meat Scotland standards. This means that cattle have been born, reared and slaughtered in Scotland and that they have spent their entire life in QMS Scotch Assured holdings. The standards also take into account animal welfare.	Green	100%	100%	-----	-----	100%

Good Food Strategy

Section 2: Project measures

Good Food at Home and in the Community

1. Supporting good food education and culture 2. Reducing food poverty and insecurity

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Promote and support Good Food projects and campaigns in schools across South Lanarkshire	Number of projects/campaigns and number of schools involved	30 primary schools in South Lanarkshire have participated to the national campaign Eat Them to Defeat Them run by Veg Power for a period of five weeks from May 2021. The campaign uses advertising and a school programme to get kids to eat more vegetables. Local newspaper published articles about some of the activities developed in schools during the campaign.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Communicate on the new regulation for Nutritional Requirements for Food and Drink to children, parents, catering staff and teachers through a specific educational programme	Number of schools, children, parents, catering staff, teachers involved	Due to Covid-19 restrictions still in place, no food activities have been undertaken. However, visits have been undertaken to each school to raise awareness about the new regulations with head teachers. The service also continues to promote nutritional regulations and menus via parent flyers and digital animation.	Green

Good Food at Home and in the Community

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Deliver Kitchen Learning Hub to Service users of the Unpaid Work Service in collaboration with Lanarkshire Community Food and Health Partnership	Number of Service Users participating and feedback from participants	<p>The Kitchen Learning Hub (KLH) is delivered every Tuesday and Thursday for two hours and classes are taught remotely on Microsoft Teams. Participants attend one session a week for a maximum of 15 weeks.</p> <p>On the morning of each session a food parcel is delivered to each participant. Parcels contain all the ingredients needed to make a healthy, balanced meal along with a recipe card and nutritional information, and participants cook alongside the nutritionist during the class.</p> <p>From April to September 2021, 23 participants have taken part in KLH with an average of three participants per session. For many participants the KLH was their first-time cooking. Participants complete a pre and post-course questionnaire and feedback indicates an increased confidence in cooking, increased knowledge of nutrition, also changes in eating habits and healthier diet. Participants shared the meals they made with friends and families, and several reported particularly enjoying teaching their children how to cook.</p> <p>From October 2021, bread making sessions are being delivered in-house every Thursday led by a case manager. Bread baked is donated to our local food banks.</p>	Green
Deliver accredited and non-accredited food related learning programmes to YFCL learners including health eating; REHIS; ASDAN	Number of learners who have improved confidence and self esteem, mental health, physical health and well being	190 learners have improved confidence and self-esteem, mental health, physical health and wellbeing, through participating in YFCL accredited and non-accredited food related learning programmes including: Trinity garden project; East Kilbride food growing plot programme; Weed'em and Reap and Larkhall Community garden programme.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
awards; agriculture and food growing; cooking on a Budget; Grass Routes; Hareleeshill	Number of learners who are better able to support their child/family members health and wellbeing	190 learners reported they are better able to support their family health and wellbeing through taking part in YFCL accredited and non-accredited food related learning programmes.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Community Garden; 'Weed'em & Reap'	Number of learners who have achieved a nationally recognised award or qualification	16 learners achieved a nationally recognised award or qualification including level 2) Food Hygiene certificate and John Muir Award (food related activity).	Green

Good Food at Home and in the Community

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Monitor the number of food parcels delivered by food banks sharing their data	Number of food parcels delivered by food banks to understand trends of food insecurity and inform council actions and local initiatives	<p>The aggregate figures from the South Lanarkshire food banks for quarter one and quarter two 2021-22 suggest that 6,124 households were referred to the local food banks between 1st April and 30th September 2021. As part of this 12,658 people were fed through emergency food distribution in the first six months of 2021-22 (including 8,628 adults and 4,030 children).</p> <p>The 2021-22 quarter one and quarter two figures (12,658 people fed) represents a 39% drop on the number of people taking up emergency food distribution from the South Lanarkshire food banks from the same point last year (20,776 recorded at quarter one and quarter two during 2020-21).</p> <p>The drop in the level of emergency food distribution over the past 12 months is to be expected as the South Lanarkshire food banks had experienced a record high number of requests for free food assistance during 2020 due to the financial and social effects of the Covid-19 pandemic e.g. families being unable to afford food as a result of cuts in incomes due to furlough or redundancy, or being unable to access food due to the need to self-isolate.</p> <p>Comparing current levels of emergency food uptake to pre-Covid-19 levels (e.g. quarter one and quarter two 2019-20), the recent figures indicate that the number of people being fed through emergency food distribution is now 67% higher than it was in the comparable period back in 2019 (only 7,575 people recorded as being in receipt of emergency food assistance during quarter one and quarter two 2019-20). This again is to be expected as the long-term effects of Covid-19 on issues like employment, incomes and the wider economy are still being experienced.</p> <p>The green status of this measure reflects the fact that data from food</p>	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
		banks continues to be effectively monitored and compiled in order to inform local policy decisions relating to food insecurity and that the sustained quantity of food being distributed can be taken as evidence that positive progress is being made. The interpretation of the measure can vary depending on how the statistics are interpreted e.g. a rise in the number of people being fed through food banks could be viewed as a positive and as a sign that local food banks have successfully expanded capacity in order to meet the needs of those who require emergency food assistance, but also as a negative and an indication that a growing number of people in South Lanarkshire are experiencing food poverty, due to the social and economic effects of the pandemic.	
Fund free school meals to eligible children during the spring holiday period (£30 voucher per fortnight)	Number of children receiving vouchers	There are currently 9,158 children eligible for low income based Free School Meals payments during school holidays in school session 2021-22. Please note that this figure changes on a regular basis. Families have received cash payments rather than vouchers.	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Provide advice and referrals to specific food initiatives to family experiencing food insecurity	Number of referrals and applications helping families to improve their financial conditions (Best Start Food applications; Healthy Start Voucher applications; Food Bank referrals; School meal applications; Scottish Welfare Fund applications)	From 1st April 2021 to 12th October 2021, 655 enquiries were received within Money Matters to help families to improve their financial situations.	Green
Work in partnership with community food organisations and partners to identify and support the development of sustainable initiatives to tackle food poverty in response to COVID-19 (including improving access to food and ensuring those assessing aid receive the advice and support required)	Number of organisations supported and/or initiatives developed	<p>The Council continues to support local food organisations with their food deliveries. Seven organisations are supported on a regular basis and others are supported on an ad-hoc basis depending on needs. From April to mid-September, 10,489 food parcels have been distributed by the council (the equivalent of 167,824 meals) and 485 households have also reached help through the council Community Wellbeing Line.</p> <p>The new council booklet "Money is not the Only Problem" providing advices for people in situation of financial insecurity, including information on food insecurity, has also been published and is currently being distributed through local groups.</p>	Green

Good Food Strategy actions and measures (level 2)

Good Food in the Public Sector

3. Improving food in schools and in council properties 4. Improving food in public places

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Meet the new regulation for Nutritional Requirements for Food and Drink in schools	New regulation met by 30th April 2021	Action completed, new regulations in place and maintained.	Complete
Work towards the Food for Life bronze standards in primary schools through an initial assessment and design of an implementation plan to achieve the award in year 2	Assessment undertaken by 31 March 2022	Assessment will be undertaken by 31st March 2022.	Green
	Action plan to achieve bronze in year 2 developed by 31 March 2022	Action plan to achieve the bronze award will be developed by 31st March 2022.	Green
Promote a food pledge aligned with the SL Good Food definition for food served in Council properties	Food pledge promoted by June 2021	Food pledge continues to be promoted via parent menu flyers and digital animations.	Green
Promote Fairtrade principles in schools and council properties	Activities promoting Fairtrade principles during the Fairtrade fortnight	The next opportunity to promote Fairtrade products and principles will be in February 2022 during the Fairtrade Fortnight.	Report Later
Develop a road map and undertake actions to increase procurement of sustainable food in schools and council properties with relevant council services and share good practices with partners of the CPP	Road map developed and demonstrated initiatives to increase procurement of sustainable food	The Sustainable Food Procurement group meets regularly and this led to the development of concrete actions such as the organisation of a session "How do Local Authorities procure Food and Drink?" at the Lanarkshire Meet the Buyer event; and the commission of an analysis to better understand local food supply. The group has also linked with current suppliers to discuss local food and learned from external partners.	Green

Good Food Economy

5. Supporting a good food retail and catering environment 6. Encouraging a fair and inclusive local food economy

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Engage with the Scottish Government during consultation on National Planning Framework 4 to ensure embedding of health and wellbeing issues in decision making	Response to consultation on draft NPF4 with likely timescale of Q3 2021/22 council response to these issues developed with preparation of supporting planning guidance (draft available for approval by end 2021/22)	The Scottish Government consultation on NPF4 is likely to be published in quarter three. The timescales for responding are not known at present. The Government has indicated the approved NPF4 will be published in Summer 2022. This in turn will inform the next Local Development Plan and interim Supporting Planning Guidance.	Report Later
Promote Fairtrade principles together with members of the Fairtrade steering group and renew the Fairtrade Zone status of the council	Fairtrade Zone Status renewed by August 2021	The Fairtrade Status has been automatically renewed this year given the Covid-19 situation.	Green
	Number of initiatives/activities promoting Fairtrade principles	The council is now member of the Scottish Fair Trade Forum. The council has also been involved in the annual Fair Trade Award Ceremony by sponsoring the Fairtrade Climate Change and Partnership award. Biggar Primary School received a Community Award at the same ceremony.	Green

Good Food Economy

5. Supporting a good food retail and catering environment 6. Encouraging a fair and inclusive local food economy

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Offer advice and support to local food businesses (start-ups and established)	Number of food businesses engaged with and supported	The council's Economic Development Officer who supports the food and drink industry is in contact with food and drink businesses throughout South Lanarkshire to offer information, advice, support and signposting. Visits are made to businesses and their premises and products are viewed and the operations and potential of the businesses are discussed, with a view to offering ongoing support to help businesses develop. The council works closely with other organisations to offer a one-stop shop approach to support businesses, including Business Gateway Lanarkshire, Elevator, Scotland Food and Drink, North Lanarkshire Council, Lanarkshire Larder, Scottish Enterprise, Federation of Small Businesses, Lanarkshire Business Hub etc.	Green

Good Food Economy

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Encourage networking amongst the food and drink sector	Demonstrated activities to encourage networking in the sector	<p>The Economic Development team is currently running a project funded by SAC Consulting and the Council to raise the profile of the South Lanarkshire food and drink sector, which involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - funding workshops using locally grown produce - providing seeds, peat-free compost and window boxes to more than 50 community groups and schools to encourage them to grow their own produce and then cook snacks/meals using products they have grown themselves and some groups are giving surplus to local food banks – this enables a range of transferable skills to be developed - The Council is working in conjunction with our own Employability Team, Developing the Young Workforce, Elevator and Young Enterprise Scotland to offer support to community groups and schools in building skills, gaining employment and providing information about setting up a business using local produce. - The council is currently promoting a Hamper Competition as part of this project, covering the whole of the UK, with a prize of SL food and drink products and vouchers with a value exceeding £600. The purpose of this is to support businesses and raise the profile of the SL food and drink sector, to enable them to increase their business profile and turnover. 	Green
Promote use of local food produce (promotion and events) across business sectors	Demonstrated activities to promote local produce	<p>The council part-funds a co-ordinator's post for Lanarkshire Larder during its first year as it gets established. This is a local organisation that supports the Lanarkshire food and drink sector.</p> <p>The economic development team supports the overall implementation of the Good Food Strategy by being involved with events to encourage networking.</p> <p>The team encourages Business Gateway Lanarkshire to focus on specific sectors and in October, they held a month of events and workshops focused specifically on the food and drink sector.</p>	Green

Good Food Growing

7. Providing food growing opportunities 8. Promoting good food growing and sustainability

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Develop a Council wide Open Space Strategy including an assessment of the current quality and location of food growing opportunities and identify potential suitable areas where new or improved provision could be appropriate	Audit of existing open space provision at Q2 2021/22 and draft OSS for approval by end 2021/22	<p>The audit and quality assessment of the existing open space provision in South Lanarkshire has continued over the summer. The work has been completed for the Clydesdale and Hamilton areas and is almost complete for Cambuslang/Rutherglen. There are still a number of sites in the East Kilbride area to be assessed.</p> <p>The Scottish Government's draft regulations on OSS and play sufficiency assessments are expected to be published by the end of the year - drafting of SLC strategy is on hold until this Scottish Government guidance is issued.</p>	Green

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7. Providing food growing opportunities 8. Promoting good food growing and sustainability

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Work with local communities who are preparing Local Place Plans for their area to identify opportunities locally to meet any aspirations related to food growing	Response to consultation on draft regulations and guidance on LPPs at Q1 2021/22 with legislation coming into force in Q3	<p>The Council's response to the LPP consultation was approved by June planning committee and submitted to Scottish Government.</p> <p>The Town and Country Planning (Local Place Plans)(Scotland) Regulations 2021 were laid in the Scottish Parliament on 7th October 2021. Subject to Parliament's approval, these regulations will come into force on 22 January 2022.</p>	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Implement the year 2 action plan for the Food Growing Strategy as per Scottish Government guidance (e.g developing food growing sites, providing advice and support to groups, facilitating Food growing group meetings, promoting sustainable food growing practices)	Progress on the implementation of year 2 action plan	<p>Implementation of Year 2 action plan underway. Number of plot holders increased by 20% in line with target, with the opening of the new allotments in Lammermoor, East Kilbride.</p> <p>Planning applications have been approved for a raised bed site in Burnhill and tender process is underway. Development is about to begin on a small allotment site in Strathaven. Programme of works being confirmed.</p> <p>Available land register updated to reflect current situation and land identified in priority areas. Further investigations being undertaken.</p> <p>Two park sites have been identified for mini orchards - Cambuslang Park and Castlebank Park. These orchards will be of dwarf root stock so that the fruit is available for children to pick. Trees have been ordered and final ground investigations underway to identify areas for planting. Local groups will be involved in planting and monitoring.</p> <p>Outline plan for a food growing site at Chatelherault, Hamilton created and pre planning checks ongoing.</p> <p>A feasibility study and ground investigations have been requested on a potential future site in Blantyre.</p> <p>Potential vacant and derelict land funding identified for a site Cuningar Loop. However site investigations to be carried out when access to the site can be obtained.</p> <p>Installation of the water harvesting system at Murray Recreation has been delayed due to supply delays which have made it difficult to source the necessary materials. Work continues to ensure that this is completed as soon as possible.</p>	Green

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
		Work to provide an additional growing area in a housing site has been delayed due to the residents association being unable to meet as a result of Covid-19 restrictions. £300,000 has been ringfenced from April 2021 to develop food growing initiatives.	
	Annual report to Scottish Government	Report completed and available on South Lanarkshire Council's website.	Green

Good Food for the Environment

9. Reducing food waste and packaging 10. Limiting the impact of food system on the environment and climate change

Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Consider extending the food waste collection service	Review of existing service provision and identification of costs associated with extending the service to rural areas	Service still under review. Associated costs and feasibility will be available in the new year 2022.	Report Later

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Revise the content of the presentations the Waste Education Team provide to schools in South Lanarkshire to include information about food waste reduction and recycling	Educational material updated by March 2022 including criteria to assess the impact of the educational programme	The Waste Education Team is currently supporting the Operation Team due to a lack of resources and therefore limited progresses could be made in relation to food waste and education in schools.	Report Later
Lead on reducing the council's reliance on avoidable single-use plastic items for food	Actions to reduce reliance on single-use plastic items for food across the council	Packaging continue to be reviewed reducing the use of single use plastic.	Green

Good Food for the Environment

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Action	Measures	Comments/ Progress	Status
Support the redistribution of food surplus	Quantity of food surplus redistributed to vulnerable people (food bank) or sold at affordable prices (food coop)	With financial support from the council, 49 tonnes of food surplus have been distributed by the charity FareShare to local organisations, an increase of 28% compared to the last six months. This represents 137,690 meal portions and a value of £206,532. In total, 47 tonnes of CO2 have been saved by using the food surplus.	Green
Undertake campaign promoting sustainable food	Number of campaigns promoting sustainable food	<p>Several campaigns promoting sustainable food have been developed and run on intranet and social media including the monthly publication of seasonality calendars; series of infographics about the effect of food on climate change; invitation to join the low carbon lunch during the food and climate day celebration.</p> <p>The council has also signed the Glasgow Food and Climate Declaration showing its commitment to tackle the climate emergency through integrated food policies.</p> <p>Support has been provided to the discussion paper on urban and peri-urban agriculture prepared by Nourish and shared with the Scottish Government.</p> <p>A collective answer to the Local Food Plan consultation was coordinated with the organisation of a local workshop with support from Nourish Scotland.</p>	Green

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Identify and promote local food initiatives including those developed during the COVID-19 pandemic and facilitate information sharing around Good Food practices in South Lanarkshire	Establish an appropriate communication forum/channel to facilitate information sharing and peer learning around good food	The channel has been created and is in the process of approval.	Green
Support the voluntary and third sector and work with partners to formalise the food network and encourage a partnership approach to progress the objectives of the strategy including the new organisations/initiatives developed to tackle food poverty resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic	Presence of an active food network	The food network called the Good Food Forum is meeting every three to four months. The network is composed of food stakeholders from the third, private and public sectors. A meeting was organised in June to discuss the impact of Covid-19 on food system and a meeting in October to discuss the link between food and climate change. Meetings are organised in partnership with VASLan.	Green
Join the UK network Sustainable Food Places	Membership achieved in 2021/22 to guarantee a high profile of food initiatives	The membership has been achieved and the council has joined the UK Sustainable Food Places network in June. This was communicated with an article on South Lanarkshire View and in the Sustainable Food Places website and newsletter.	Green

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Establish a Sustainable Food Procurement working group with relevant council services	Working group established and road map developed	The Sustainable Food Procurement group has been established in April and includes officers from Procurement, Economic Development, Facilities, Social Work, SLLC and Sustainable Development. More detailed information about services is available in the covering report to this appendix in the "Good Food in the public sector" section.	Green
Work with partners from CPP to define and implement collective actions to progress the objectives of the Good Food Strategy	Number of actions validated and implemented by partners and areas covered	<p>Two main actions related to food are included in the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) action plan: one about improving access to food and crisis aid and ensuring those accessing aid receive the advice and support required to find more sustainable solutions; and the other one about increasing the number of people involved in food growing. The CPP annual report 2020-21 also included a section showcasing the support provided by the council and partners to tackle food insecurity.</p> <p>Several actions related to food are also included in the Local Child Poverty Action Report.</p>	Green