

**To: GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

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Report by:

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**GREENER RENFREWSHIRE LOCAL OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN  
REMEDIAL ACTIONS ON YEAR 3 PROGRESS**

**1 Summary**

- 1.1 The Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board has responsibility for co-ordinating and driving multi-agency activity to ensure the achievement of the long term vision that: 'Renfrewshire will be a clean and attractive location, providing a healthy, inviting and pleasant environment in which to live, work and do business through the promotion of sustainable patterns of travel and development, the efficient management of energy and the treatment of waste as a valuable resource.'
- 1.2 The Greener Renfrewshire element of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan clearly sets out our agreed outcomes together with the one, three and ten year targets for each of the impact measures. The performance of impact measures presented in this report links directly to actions undertaken by the partners under each sub group. This report provides detail on the progress and remedial actions on the indicators not achieving target, as reported on the report which was submitted to the community Planning Partnership Board in September 2016, showing year three progress.
- 1.3 The report will also be considered as part of the combined Community Planning Partnership Annual Community Planning Performance Report.

**2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Board discusses the progress being made against the red and amber impact measures as detailed in section 3 of this report.

### 3. Background

- 3.1 Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership is committed to ensuring that resources are deployed wisely to achieve best value. An open and rigorous performance culture has been embedded within the partnership and promotes collective responsibility for achieving outcomes. Clear accountability and reporting is an important aspect of the agreed approach.
- 3.2 The Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board has three sub-groups, each led by relevant partners and supported by key officers: Greener Communities; Greener Transport; and Carbon Management. Action plans and performance measures are in place to ensure the sub-groups deliver the key priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire element of the Renfrewshire Community Plan and Local Outcome Improvement Plan.
- 3.3 In August 2016, a report was submitted to the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board showing the progress of the Greener Renfrewshire element of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan, against the targets sets.
- 3.4 A number of measures were highlighted as not achieving target and an update on current progress on these measures is detailed in the table below.

Impact Measure	Year 3 Target	Year 3 Actual	Remedial Action
<b>Greener Transport</b>			
<b>Reduce the amount of CO2 emitted by the public vehicle fleet</b>	3,170 Tonnes of CO2	3,535 Tonnes of CO2	A further 5 electric vehicles will be purchased in the current financial year to replace small diesel vans. Advances in technology for alternative fuels for larger vehicles are closely monitored.
<b>Progress including action to date and milestones</b>			
<p>The amount of CO2 emitted from the Council fleet reduced from 3,570 tonnes in 2014/15 to 3,535 in 2015/16, which has been achieved through an increase in electric vehicles included within the fleet, efforts to improving styles of driving and new cleaner fleet delivered through the vehicle replacement programme. This is expected to improve further as more electric vehicles are brought into the fleet along with cleaner emissions technology being developed for other types of vehicle;</p> <p>A new vehicle tracking system is currently being procured and should be implemented prior to the end of the financial year. This new system will enable vehicle usage to be closely monitored, identifying where reductions can be made to the fleet.</p>			

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<b>Greener Transport</b>			
<b>Percentage reduction in car journeys to school</b> (The percentage of children in Renfrewshire who are driven to school)	18.4%	22.3%	<p>The Active Schools Team is establishing 'Train the Teachers' training to enable teachers to deliver Bikeability training within their own schools.</p> <p>Partnership work with Road Safety Scotland delivers theatre productions in primary and secondary schools across Renfrewshire, promoting road safety and active travel..</p>
<b>Progress including action to date and milestones</b>			
<p>This data is taken from the annual Sustrans National Hands-up Survey which takes place in schools in September of each year. The percentage of pupils confirming they travel to school by car has shown very little change since the baseline figure of 22% in 2012/13. There is no scientific methodology to this measure as it relies on the co-operation of schools to participate and pupils to put their 'hands-up' when asked about their method of travelling to school.</p> <p>Walk to School Weeks are also encouraged as well as other individual schemes in schools which fit into health and eco schools projects.</p> <p>During 2015/16, a total of 691 Bikeability awards were issued to Renfrewshire's schools, covering P5-P7 across 17 schools. Renfrewshire Leisure, Renfrewshire Council and Cycling Scotland are working to set targets for Bikeability programmes in Renfrewshire's schools for 2016/17.</p>			

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<b>Carbon Management</b>			
<b>Percentage of household waste recycled</b>	52%	43.9%	A year-round garden waste collection service was introduced in October 2016, comingled with food waste collection. It is hoped this will contribute to an improvement in recycling rates.
<b>Progress including action to date and milestones</b>			
<p>The targets for the percentage of household waste which is recycled are set by the Scottish Government. Local authorities experience different types of challenges in achieving these national targets dependent on housing stock, profile and demographics. Renfrewshire has a large percentage of tenemental properties within its housing stock which presents a number of challenges in the collection of waste. Communication and awareness activities are planned to ensure residents are recycling the correct materials, avoiding contamination.</p> <p>The progression of the Clyde Valley shared services work stream for the procurement of a residual waste treatment and disposal solution is on target to be operational by December 2019. This will ensure compliance with the landfill ban which will be introduced in January 2020 and will improve the recycling rate through the extraction of heavy metals and heavy plastics, prior to processing.</p> <p>In June 2016, it was agreed that Renfrewshire Council sign up to the Charter for Household Recycling in Scotland. This Charter identifies a number of waste collection strategies which are considered to best meet the overall objectives to help improve recycling performance and develop a consistent national system.</p> <p>A supporting Code of Practice contains a more detailed set of outcomes that will deliver the principles and aspirations of the Charter. It is considered that Councils will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrict residual waste through reducing capacity;</li> <li>• Stimulate inward investment and associated jobs in recycling and reprocessing industries;</li> <li>• Retain and enhance existing employment opportunities in waste and recycling collections;</li> <li>• Generate and retain the best value from waste streams whilst increasing recycling performance;</li> <li>• Work together to communicate to the public the value in recycling, and the benefits that good recycling practice can bring to communities.</li> </ul>			

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<b>Percentage of social housing properties in Renfrewshire which meet the National Home Energy Ratings target</b>	100%	98% (**approx average)	This data is gathered on an annual basis as part of the Housing Charter.																												
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<p>**Not all data from registered social landlords is available but the average for 2015/16 is 98% as shown in the table below. This is an element of the Scottish Housing Quality Standard.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th>Number of properties</th><th>NHER 14/15</th><th>NHER 15/16</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Linstone</td><td>1,587</td><td>98.29%</td><td>99.62%</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ferguslie Park</td><td>799</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Bridgewater</td><td>859</td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Paisley South</td><td>1,206</td><td>99.75%</td><td>99.75%</td></tr> <tr> <td>Williamsburgh</td><td>1,644</td><td>100%</td><td>100%</td></tr> <tr> <td>Renfrewshire Council</td><td>12,440</td><td>83.20%</td><td>97.45%</td></tr> </tbody> </table>					Number of properties	NHER 14/15	NHER 15/16	Linstone	1,587	98.29%	99.62%	Ferguslie Park	799			Bridgewater	859			Paisley South	1,206	99.75%	99.75%	Williamsburgh	1,644	100%	100%	Renfrewshire Council	12,440	83.20%	97.45%
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