

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Monday, 31 August 2015	10:00	Room P116, P Block, UWS, High Street, Paisley,

KENNETH GRAHAM
Head of Corporate Governance

Membership

Councillors E Devine and Audrey Doig, O Reid, Lead Officer and Head of Public Protection, S MacDougall, Director of Community Resources; J Lynch, Head of Property, C Thorpe, Corporate Asset/Energy Manager, L Feely, Housing Investment Manager and S McMillan, Policy & Regeneration Manager (all Renfrewshire Council); I Cunningham, Engage Renfrewshire; A Fraser, FLAIR Representative; J Wilby, Forum for Empowering Communities; Ross Nimmo, Glasgow Airport; G Tarvit, Keep Scotland Beautiful; J Downie, Police Scotland; J Still, Renfrewshire Community Health Partnership; P Nelis, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; M MacLaren, Scottish Water; K Boag, SEPA; J Binning, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport; C Roxburgh, West of Scotland University; and C Devine, Zero Waste Scotland.

Chair

Councillor E Devine.

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Items of business

During consideration of the following items of business, the meeting will be open to the press and public.

Apologies

Apologies from members.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

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Minute of Meeting Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday, 03 June 2015	10:00	Engage Renfrewshire, 1 Falcon Crescent, Paisley, PA3 1NS

PRESENT

Councillors E Devine and Audrey Doig; O Reid, Lead Officer and Interim Head of Public Protection; J Lynch, Head of Property Services, C Thorpe, Corporate Asset/Energy Manager and (all Renfrewshire Council); I Cunningham, Third Sector Development Officer (Engage Renfrewshire); J Wilby, Representative (Forum for Empowering Communities); Ross Nimmo, Planning and Development Manager (Glasgow Airport); J Binning, Principal Policy Officer (Strathclyde Partnership for Transport); and C Devine, Head of Resource Management (Zero Waste).

CHAIR

Councillor E Devine, Chair, presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

S Graham, Empowering Communities Manager (Engage); S Cruckshank, Chair (Renfrewshire Access Panel); and K Anderson, Amenity Services Manager; G Scoular, Senior Warden; E Borland, Warden; J Brown, Planning and Performance Officer; and C MacDonald, Senior Committee Services Officer (all Renfrewshire Council).

APOLOGIES

A Fraser, Representative (FLAIR); G Tarvit, Sustainability & Climate Change Manager (Keep Scotland Beautiful); J Downie, Chief Superintendent (Police Scotland); S MacDougall, Director of Community Resources; B Spence, Housing Investment Manager; and S Marklow, Assistant Manager, Policy (all Renfrewshire Council); and J Still, Head of Administration (Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

J Wilby declared an interest in Item 9 on the agenda as he was Chair of a Community Council that had submitted an application for funding for Stalled Spaces and indicated his intention to leave the meeting during consideration of the item and not to take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

1 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board held on 5 March 2015.

DECIDED: That the minute be approved.

2 ROLLING ACTION LOG

The Rolling Action Log was submitted for approval.

GR.02.10.13(4B) – ESTABLISHMENT OF DATABASE

The Clerk gave a verbal update in S Marklow's absence. It was noted that the database was now established and a demonstration of how the web page would work would be given at the next meeting of the Board. It was agreed that this action could now be removed from the action log.

GR.22.04.12(4) – MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE

J Brown advised that all groups had been set up and the first meetings had either been held or were due to be held. It was agreed that this action could now be removed from the action log .

DECIDED:

- (a) That completed action GR.02.10.13(4b) – Establishment of Database be removed from the action log;
- (b) That completed action GR.22.04.12(4) – Membership Structure be removed from the action log; and
- (c) That the Rolling Action Log be otherwise noted.

3(a) GREENER COMMUNITIES UPDATE ON PROGRESS

There was submitted a report by the Greener Communities Sub Group relative to the progress made in delivering the actions endorsed by the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board in March.

The report advised that the first meeting of the group was held on 23 April 2015 and it was agreed at the meeting that the group would have a core membership with others to

be invited to join for particular meetings as appropriate. The meetings would be used to share information, ideas and knowledge as well as discussing initiatives any group was working on in relation to the Greener Renfrewshire agenda. It was agreed at the meeting that members of each organisation would recruit new signups for the Greener Pledge in order to reach the target of 500 signups by the end of 2015/16.

The report also advised that the Stalled Spaces initiative was making good progress; an audit of community groups was underway; and a questionnaire relating to greener activities had been sent to 97 educational establishments and the results were being studied.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

3(b) **GREENER TRANSPORT UPDATE ON PROGRESS**

There was submitted a report by the Greener Transport Sub Group relative to the progress made in delivering the actions endorsed by the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board in March.

The report advised that the first meeting of the group was held on 13 May 2015. Electric vehicles; Renfrewshire Council's cycling strategy; the WorkBus scheme; and the Greener Transport action plan were discussed at the meeting.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

4 **GREENFLEET SCOTLAND**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Public Protection relative to the present situation with alternative fuel vehicles amongst Renfrewshire Community Planning partners.

The report indicated that Renfrewshire Council and its Community Planning Partners had received grant funding from Transport Scotland over the past four years which had enabled investment in electric vehicles and related infrastructure.

It was noted that funding had already been secured by Renfrewshire Council for 2015/16 which would enable a further 6 electric vans to be purchased which would meet the Community Plan target of 5% of the vehicle fleet using alternative fuels. The report also stated that three pilot projects were currently taking place across the country and the Board would be advised of the results in due course.

J Binning indicated that SPT operated a Journeywide Scheme which gave card holders free bus travel in Scotland and reduced fares on trains and Subway in the Strathclyde area. He intimated he would provide information on this at the next meeting.

DECIDED:

a) That the present situation with alternative fuel vehicles amongst Renfrewshire Community Partners be noted;

b) That it be agreed that a presentation and demonstration on electric vehicles be delivered at the next meeting of the Board; and

c) That SPT provide information relating to the Journeywide Scheme at the next meeting of the Board.

5 GREENER RENFREWSHIRE UPDATE ON RED IMPACT MEASURES FOR REPORTING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Public Protection relative to those impact measures which were identified as being 10% or more outwith target (red alert).

The report indicated that two impact measures from the Greener Renfrewshire Single Outcome Agreement fell within the red alert status. An analysis of the progress of these indicators was contained within the report and it was highlighted that this would form part of the overall progress report to the Community Planning Partnership Board in June 2015.

DECIDED:

- a) That the update provided on the indicators be noted; and
- b) That it be agreed that the update be reported to the Community Planning Partnership Board at its meeting on 24 June 2015.

6 GREENER RENFREWSHIRE - PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS AND PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT

There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Public Protection relative to further work which had been undertaken to refine the detail of performance information for future years, building on the experience of the Board to date and refining the level of detail available to the Board in order to monitor progress more effectively.

The report advised that work was ongoing and details of a refreshed suite of indicators were included in the report.

DECIDED:

- a) That the performance against impacted measures as highlighted within the report be noted; and
- b) That the performance measures being used to support delivery of the headline indicators included in the Greener Renfrewshire element of the Single Outcome Agreement be agreed.

7 "STREETS FOR ALL" - IMPROVING ACCESSIBILITY OF STREETS, PAVEMENTS AND PUBLIC SPACES IN RENFREWSHIRE

There was submitted a report by Renfrewshire Access Panel/Engage Renfrewshire relative to making streets and public places within Renfrewshire more accessible to disabled people and other people with mobility difficulties.

The report advised that the charity Living Streets published an analysis of statutory

Equality Objectives of Scottish councils called “Streets For All?” which was contained within the Appendix to the report. The report highlighted that by improving accessibility within the environment this would directly benefit a wide range of individuals with temporary or permanent mobility issues, reduce the costs to individuals and public services of preventable falls and would also widen access to public services and the local economy. The Renfrewshire Forum For Empowering Communities proposed to work with the Board to develop appropriate practical actions as proposed in “Streets For All?” to improve the accessibility of streets, pavements and public places.

S Cruickshank advised that Renfrewshire Access Panel would be willing to do a street audit in an area specified by the Board and it was agreed that as the report had already been submitted to the Safer & Stronger Thematic Board and was due to go on the agenda for the Jobs and the Economy Thematic Board that Engage would write to each Lead Officer to identify areas to ensure no duplication. The Board also asked the Access Panel to identify any areas where they considered there were issues and which were appropriate.

DECIDED:

- (a) That the report be noted;
- (b) That it be agreed that Renfrewshire Forum For Empowering Communities develop the work with the relevant Lead Officers to improve the accessibility and attractiveness of streets, pavements and public places, which will contribute to achievement of the relevant equality outcomes in Renfrewshire, as outlined within the report;
- (c) That the Renfrewshire Access Panel identify any areas where they considered there were issues and which were appropriate; and
- (d) That it be agreed that a report with recommendations regarding practical ways to improve accessibility and attractiveness of streets, pavements and public spaces in Renfrewshire be considered at a future meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Board.

8 AN OVERVIEW OF THE ZERO WASTE SCOTLAND PROGRAMME

C Devine gave a presentation relative to the Zero Waste Programme Plan. The presentation highlighted the goals and themes for Zero Waste Scotland for 2015/18; outlined how they would encourage sustainable consumer behavior; why there was a need to improve recycling performance; how they planned to demonstrate the value of a circular economy approach; how they planned to deliver resource efficiency savings; and what the key corporate and strategic goals were.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

J Wilby having declared an interest in relation to the following item of business, left the meeting and did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon.

9 STALLED SPACES SCOTLAND

There was submitted a report by the Lead Officer relative to the Stalled Spaces project which aimed to improve town centres by bringing derelict, vacant or underused land, collectively known as stalled spaces, back into positive use while it was lying unused or awaiting development.

The report advised that two community engagement events were held on Tuesday 12 May 2015 and Thursday 14 May 2015 at Engage Renfrewshire's offices to promote the Stalled Spaces Scotland programme to community groups and educational establishments across Renfrewshire following the allocation of £20,000 of funding to Community Resources as part of the wider Stalled Spaces Scotland programme, managed by Architecture & Design Scotland. The appendix to the report detailed expressions of interest already received from community groups for proposed projects and it was anticipated that there would be a number of applications submitted over the coming weeks which could be considered at the next meeting of the Board.

The Lead Officer advised that an application had already been received and outlined the nature of the application. Following discussion, it was agreed that a short term working group would be set up to score the application and any subsequent forms with the recommendations being submitted to the next Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board.

DECIDED:

(a) That the report be noted; and

(b) That a short term working group be set up to score the application forms with the recommendations being brought to the next Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board.

10 DO YOUR BIT FOR GREENER RENFREWSHIRE

E Borland and J Brown gave a presentation relative to the Warden Service within Renfrewshire.

The presentation highlighted the new community clean up booklet; a number of large clean-up projects that had taken place; the educational workshops that the wardens had delivered; and the engagement events that the wardens had participated in.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

11 OVERVIEW OF INITIATIVES AND GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive's Service which provided an overview of recent developments, initiatives and funding streams made available to Community Planning Partnerships in Scotland.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

The Clerk advised that the next meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board would take place on Monday 31 August 2015. The proposed agenda items were agreed.





DECIDED:

- (a) That the meeting date be noted;
- (b) That the agenda items be agreed.



RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL

GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD

ROLLING ACTION LOG

	Action is on track
	Areas for concern that will impact on completion date if not fixed.
	Action required to bring up to satisfactory level
	Past deadline date and action required.

KEY

Action No.	Action	Action Owner	Status	Expected Date of Completion	Actual Date of Closure	Update & Comments
GR.17.12.14(2) – Stalled Spaces	(a) The Board to identify and support relevant community groups across Renfrewshire to come forward with suitable projects to receive funding; and (b) A report/presentation to be submitted to a future meeting.	Lead Officer		Future meeting		<u>GR.05.03.15</u> Report submitted and noted.
GR.17.12.14(6) – Building Greener/Safer Communities	(a) Relevant partners in the Community Safety Partnership to work up proposed options for submission to the National programme; and (b) Further reports on progress to be brought to subsequent meetings of the Board.			Future meeting		
GR.05.03.15(4) – Progress Against Targets	Further work with partners would be undertaken to refine the detail of the indicators and submitted to the next meeting of the Board.			05/03/15		<u>GR.11.06.15(5)</u> The update to be reported to the Community Planning Partnership Board at its meeting on 24 June 2015.



To: **Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board**

On: **31 August 2015**

Report by:
Bruce Kiloh, Head of Policy & Planning
SPT

RENFREWSHIRE TRANSPORT OUTCOMES REPORT 2015/16

1 Summary

1.1 This report will:

- Inform the Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership of the preparation by SPT of the Renfrewshire Transport Outcome Report (TOR);
- Highlight the connection between SPT activities and local outcomes from the Single Outcome Agreement; and
- Highlight the focus given within the TOR to the services and benefits that SPT has delivered in 2014/15 together with details of the SPT – Renfrewshire joint work streams for 2015/16.

2 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Board note the contents of the report.

3 Background

3.1 SPT has prepared a TOR for Renfrewshire annually since 2008 as a means of demonstrating our commitment and contribution as a Community Planning partner through the delivery of key services, projects and initiatives.

3.2 The TOR is now directly linked to the SPT Regional Transport Strategy (RTS) Delivery Plan 2014 – 2017¹ and is the local monitoring and planning element of SPT's suite of strategic plans.

¹ http://www.spt.co.uk/wmslib/Documents_RTS/RTS%20Delivery%20Plan%202014-17.pdf? 2



- 3.3 SPT officers worked with Renfrewshire colleagues to agree the key areas for partnership working (known as the 'joint work streams') for 2015/16.
- 3.4 The TOR summarises our commitment and contribution as a Community Planning Partner by detailing the links between the joint work streams and Renfrewshire's local outcomes from the Single Outcome Agreement.

4 TOR Content

4.1 The detailed content of the 2015/16 TOR is as follows:

- *Working in Partnership* - This section sets out the 4 RTS Outcomes and the associated joint work streams, as agreed with each council;
- *Improving outcomes for local residents* – This section explains the relationships between the local outcomes from each council's Single Outcome Agreement and the TOR joint work streams that most support the achievement of the local outcomes;
- *Living and Travelling in the local area* – This section presents a few key statistics and information about the local area including population and car ownership;
- *SPT Activity and Investments* – This section highlights the SPT activity including services and initiatives that have benefitted that council area's residents over the past year and capital investments made over the past three years;
- *Measuring progress* – This section shows a key transport-related measure for each strategic outcome with figures for both the local area and SPT area as a whole;
- *Main body of the document* – The main body of the TOR includes four sections – one for each of the four RTS Outcomes – and each section provides a progress update on investments, other work undertaken under each joint work stream and a look at the year ahead. Key supporting statistics are provided²;
- *Appendices* – These sections provide a list of supported bus services operating in the council area during 2014/15 and a list of the 2015/16 capital projects for the council area; and
- *Back cover* – The back cover includes contact details for the main public transport operators within the council area.

5 Joint work streams

5.1 The SPT – Renfrewshire joint work streams for 2015/16 are as follows:

- Bus Policy, Statutory Quality Partnerships & Bus Infrastructure Improvements and Smart & Integrated Ticketing;
- Fastlink, Strategic Rail Enhancements, Strategic Road Enhancements, Freight and Integrating Land-Use and Transport Planning;

² Detailed background information for each work stream is located in the RTS Delivery Plan and the 2014/15 TOR



- Socially Necessary Bus Services, Access to Healthcare and Equal Access Improvements; and
- Park and Ride, Cycling and Travel Behaviour Change.

5.2 The TOR summarises the role of transport in achieving local outcomes. The relationship between the joint work streams and the SOA local outcomes is set out in section 3 of the TOR.

6 Supporting Local Outcomes

6.1 The TOR summarise the role of transport in helping to achieve local outcomes with the following outcomes specifically highlighted:

- Our children and young people have good physical, emotional and mental health and wellbeing;
- Our residents will be supported to live independently as long as possible in their own homes and communities;
- Renfrewshire will be the best connected local economy in Scotland, internationally, nationally and regionally;
- Renfrewshire will have attractive environments and successful town centres created through successful area regeneration that contribute positively to local economic growth;
- Carbon reduction; and
- Our residents will have improved positive healthy behaviours: eat healthier; be physical active; only use drugs as prescribed; and avoid or stop smoking.

6.2 The joint work streams that most support these local outcomes are set out in the TOR.

7 Prevention

7.1 The work undertaken through the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board helps achieve the sustainability of transport across Renfrewshire.

8 Community Involvement/Engagement

8.1 The Transport sub group within the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board involves representatives from the Community Planning Partners.

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17 July 2015

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Dear Councillor Devine

Transport Outcomes Report 2014/15 for Renfrewshire

As you will recall from the SPT Partnership Board meeting on 19 June 2015, SPT prepares Transport Outcomes Reports (TORs) for each council area across the Partnership demonstrating our commitment as a Community Planning Partner and as a means of demonstrating and documenting our key services and priorities for each council area. The TORs also directly link to the Regional Transport Strategy Delivery Plan 2014 – 2017, and are the local monitoring and planning element of SPT's suite of strategic plans.

I am pleased to enclose a copy of the 2015/16 TOR that describes the key services, projects, initiatives and benefits SPT delivers within Renfrewshire.

In preparing the TOR we have estimated that the value of services provided by SPT is approximately 2 to 2.5 times the requisition received from constituent councils which we trust you agree reflects the strength of the 12 Councils working collaboratively delivering integrated transport solutions across the region.

I have arranged for a copy of the report to be sent to your Chief Executive and the Chair of the Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership Board.

I welcome your agreement, through Carol MacDonald, Senior Committee Services Officer (Community Planning), Renfrewshire Council, that the TOR will be placed on the agenda for the Greener Renfrewshire meeting of 31 August 2015.

I have offered a meeting with Sandra Black, Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council to elaborate further and discuss key transport issues in your area and, should this be arranged I would be pleased if you could attend.

Should you have any observations about the Transport Outcomes Report then please contact me at the above number, or Bruce Kiloh, Head of Policy and Planning on 0141 333 3740.

Yours sincerely

Gordon MacLennan
Chief Executive

Enc *Renfrewshire Transport Outcomes Report 2014/15*

Cc *Carol MacDonald, Senior Committee Services Officer (Community Planning), Renfrewshire Council*

Transport Outcomes Report: Renfrewshire 2015/16



in partnership with



ABOUT US

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) is the Regional Transport Partnership for the west of Scotland and is a partnership of twelve councils. SPT was established by the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005, which created Scotland's seven Regional Transport Partnerships. SPT is the Public Transport Authority for the west of Scotland and is responsible for the development of the Regional Transport Strategy (RTS).¹ SPT is a statutory participant in Community Planning and a 'key agency' in the Development Planning process.

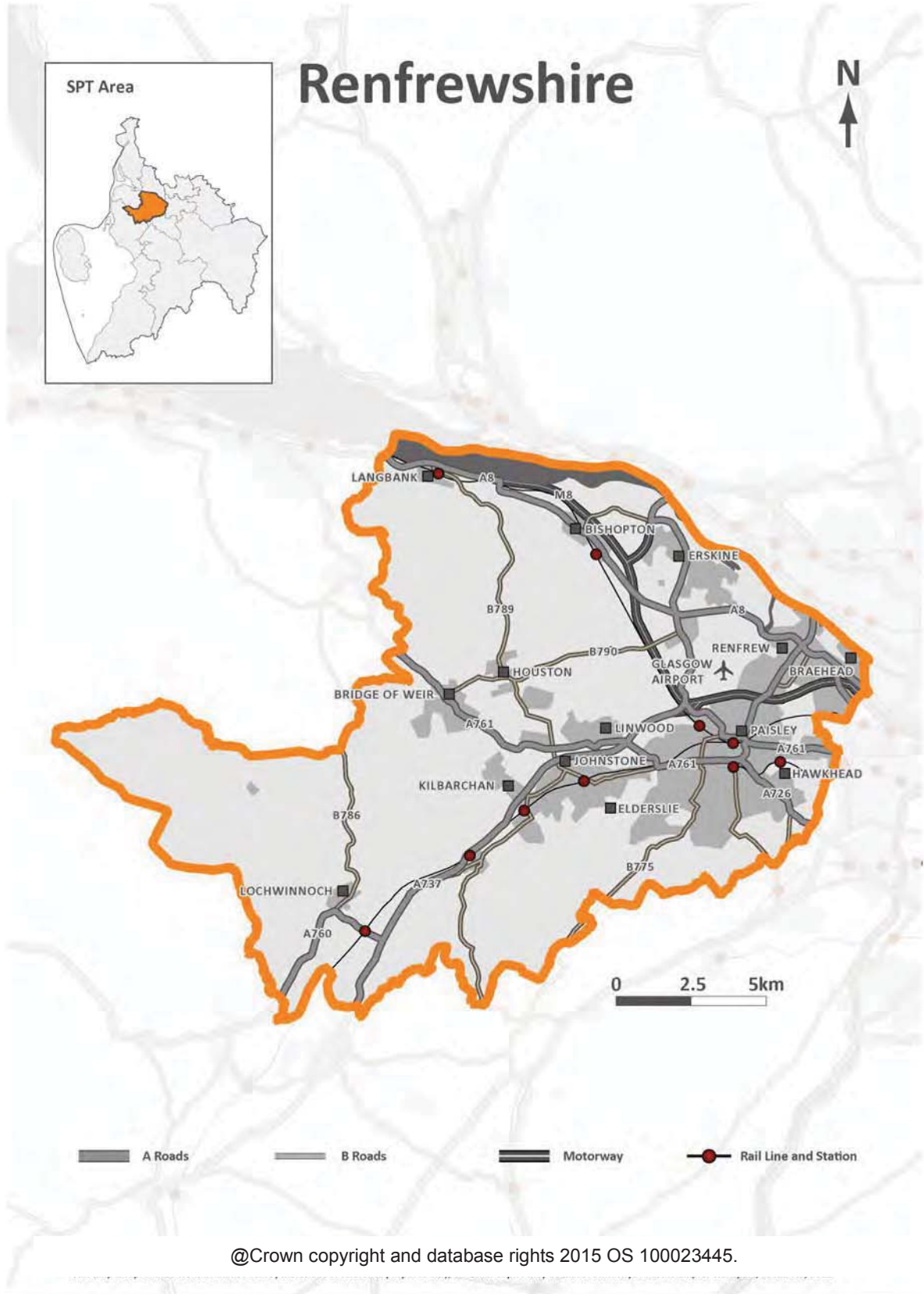
SPT has a range of operational responsibilities including the management and operation of the Subway, bus stations and bus infrastructure, supporting socially necessary bus services, delivering schools transport on behalf of eleven of our partner councils and coordinating the MyBus demand responsive transport service. SPT also acts as the secretariat for the Strathclyde Concessionary Travel Scheme on behalf of our partner Councils and the coordination of ticketing schemes including Subway smartcard and the ZoneCard multi modal scheme.

Renfrewshire Council (RC), in addition to wider responsibilities, is the local Roads Authority and Planning Authority for Renfrewshire. RC is responsible for the development of the Local Transport Strategy² and Local Development Plan³ and is lead partner in the development of the Renfrewshire Single Outcome Agreement.⁴ RC has a duty to manage and maintain local public roads, footways, street lighting and traffic signals and the powers to improve infrastructure as necessary. RC also has responsibility for road safety and flood risk management.

SPT, RC and partners work together to deliver a range of solutions to enhance and develop our transport network, infrastructure and services; to promote sustainable development; to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change on the transport network and to promote accessible travel choices. This includes investment in and delivery of public transport infrastructure, active travel infrastructure, park and ride and strategic roads projects.

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1. Foreword

This Transport Outcomes Report (TOR), produced annually by SPT in partnership with each council in the west of Scotland, outlines the impact of transport improvements in each area to achieve more sustainable, healthy, inclusive and resilient communities across the SPT area.

SPT continues to focus on achieving the four strategic outcomes from the Regional Transport Strategy – Attractive, Seamless, Reliable Travel; Improved Connectivity; Access for All; and Reduced Emissions – which underpin the successful delivery of key social, economic, environmental and health outcomes at national, regional and local levels.

One in every three Renfrewshire residents use the bus every week⁵ and one in every eight (12%) use a bus to travel to work.⁶ It is therefore vital that the public transport network in Renfrewshire – an area that has several bus operators providing more than 60 local services - is stable, safe and integrated to support all residents to meet their everyday travel needs as well as encourage more people to choose public transport. The **Attractive, Seamless, Reliable Travel** section outlines key progress in this area.

More than 100,000 commuters travel to, from or across Renfrewshire every day⁷ and the local economy (including Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire and Inverclyde) generates around 5% of the Scottish GVA.⁸ It is therefore vital that the strategic transport network is efficient, safe and reliable for employees and business; supports regeneration efforts and sustainable development; and is of a standard to attract investment to the area to sustain and grow the economy. The **Improved Connectivity** section outlines key progress in this area.

Transport should enable all residents to meet their everyday needs and live full, independent lives. In Renfrewshire, key accessibility concerns include connecting the one in five local residents who live in areas of high deprivation⁹ with employment, healthcare and education opportunities, supporting the growing older population¹⁰ to remain independent and improving links for small towns and rural areas. The **Access for All** section outlines key progress in this area.

Reducing the negative impacts of transport on the environment and on population health remains a priority for SPT and Renfrewshire Council. Carbon emissions from transport in Renfrewshire have fallen¹¹ and the modal share of car (as proportion of all journeys) has decreased,¹² but much work remains to reduce travel by private car, improve local air quality and encourage more people to walk and cycle more often. The **Reduced Emissions** section outlines key progress in this area.

This TOR outlines SPT's investments, projects and services for the past year and current year. The TOR also sets out the role of transport in achieving improved outcomes for local residents and business in Renfrewshire.

For the longer term, SPT will continue to work with Renfrewshire Council and our other partners on such key initiatives as integrating respective Glasgow and Clyde Valley City Deal projects to maximise socio-economic benefits of this major investment; to plan new transport infrastructure to support sustainable economic growth; and to deliver material change to the regional bus market and public transport ticketing to realise safe, integrated, affordable and stable public transport services for all.

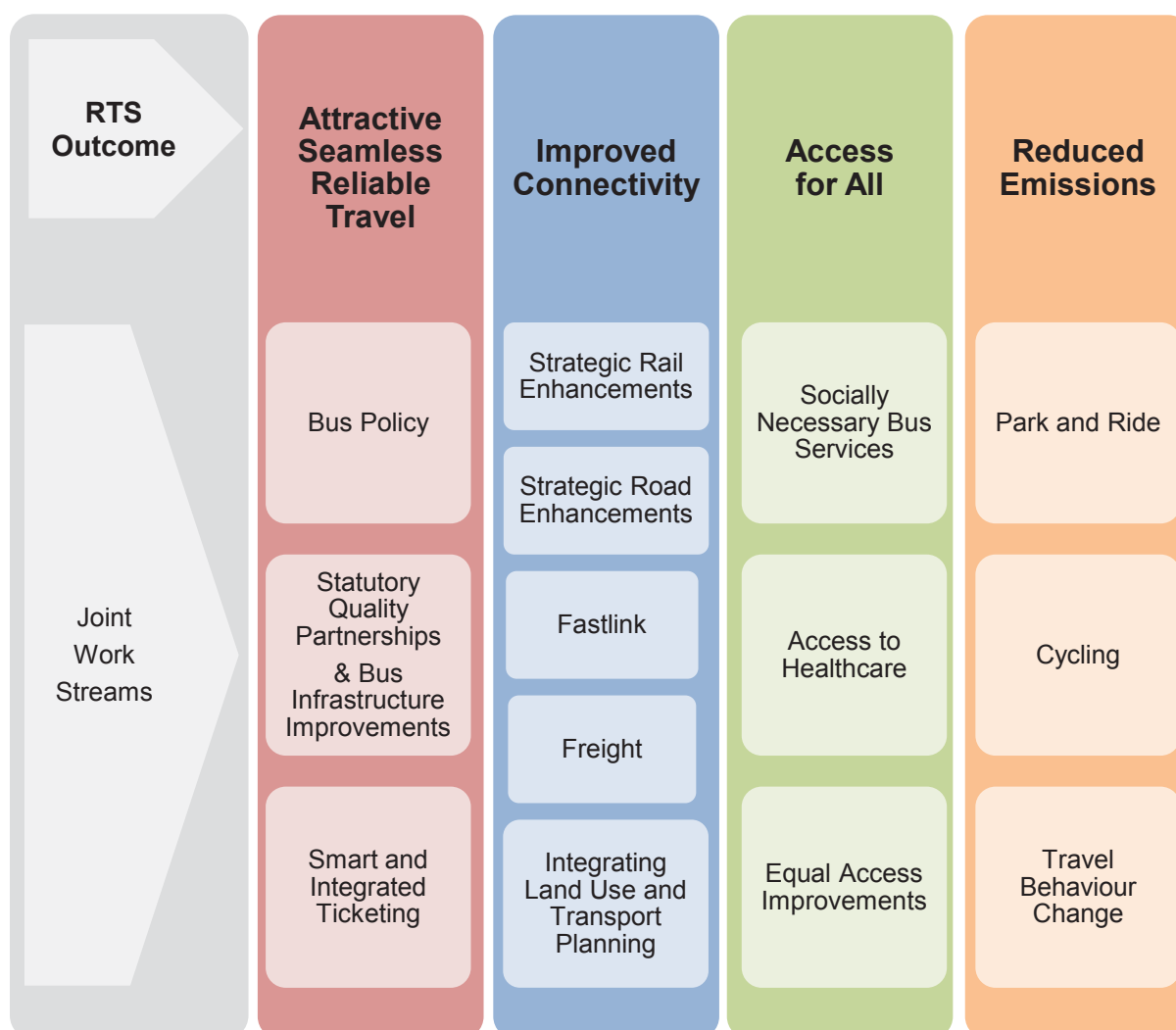
2. Working in partnership with Renfrewshire

The 2015/16 Transport Outcomes Report follows the same structure as last year's report, with the principal sections based on the four strategic outcomes and the associated joint work streams, which fall from the Regional Transport Strategy Delivery Plan 2014-2017.¹³ These are set out in Figure 2.1 below. This year's report provides an update on the joint work streams, whilst the 2014/15 TOR and the Delivery Plan provide additional background information on the work streams.

SPT and Renfrewshire officers agree the joint work streams each year, with the key change for 2015/16 being the inclusion of Freight. The principle of the 'joint work streams' underlines the shared responsibility of delivering the projects and services that support each strategic outcome, whether through policy development, stakeholder engagement, planning, project delivery or funding.

Services, projects, investments and initiatives that benefit the local area are detailed under each joint work stream within the main body of the report (sections 7 – 10).

Figure 2.1: RTS Outcomes and SPT - Renfrewshire 2015/16 joint work streams



3. Improving outcomes for Renfrewshire residents

SPT is a statutory participant in Community Planning and works in partnership with Renfrewshire Council (RC) and other partners across a range of themes including health, education, accessibility, social inclusion, equalities and community safety. Our four strategic outcomes are closely linked to Renfrewshire outcomes and support national community planning policy priorities including independence for older people, improving the lives of young people, economic growth, stronger communities, more employment and reducing health inequalities.

The Renfrewshire CPP Single Outcome Agreement 2013 – 2023 has six local outcomes that have a clear role for transport. Figure 3.1 shows these six local outcomes and the joint work streams that support each outcome.

In support of local outcome 1 (as shown in figure 3.1) - Good access to education, healthcare and safe leisure opportunities is essential for every child to thrive and a safe, high-quality walking and cycling network supports young children and their families to be more active and live healthier lives. Sustainable development and land use patterns supports families to reduce car usage and increase active travel, and improves road safety.

In support of local outcome 2 - Safe, accessible transport supports independent living by improving access to services and facilities and reducing isolation by making it easier to visit family and friends and attend social events. Improving conditions for active travel encourages healthy lifestyles. Sustainable development improves local access to goods and services.

In support of local outcomes 3–5 - High-quality, modern transport infrastructure supports physical regeneration efforts; an efficient, reliable transport network built upon sustainable land use development reduces the cost of transport and congestion for business and residents and supports environmental targets; and good access improves employment opportunities. Sustainable development reduces dependency upon private car.

In support of the sixth local outcome - Good access to services supports residents to realise the full benefits of available healthcare, education and training opportunities. Promoting active travel and investing in cycling infrastructure supports healthy lifestyles.

Figure 3.1 Renfrewshire local outcomes and TOR joint work streams

		Joint work streams													
Renfrewshire Community Plan Outcomes		Bus Policy	SQP / Bus Infrastructure	Ticketing	Rail	Road	Fastlink	Freight	Land use & transport planning	Socially necessary services	Access to healthcare	Equal Access	Park & Ride	Cycling	Travel Behaviour Change
	1) Our children and young people have good physical, emotional and mental health and wellbeing.								✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
	2) Our residents will be supported to live independently as long as possible in their own homes and communities.			✓					✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
	3) Renfrewshire will be the best connected local economy in Scotland, internationally, nationally and regionally.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	4) Renfrewshire will have attractive environments and successful town centres created through successful area regeneration that contribute positively to local economic growth.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	5) Carbon reduction	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	6) Our residents will have improved positive healthy behaviours: eat healthier; be physical active; only use drugs as prescribed; and avoid or stop smoking.								✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓

4. Living and travelling in Renfrewshire

This section provides a brief overview of the Renfrewshire population and travel patterns.

4.1 Population change

The resident population of Renfrewshire is growing with a small increase (0.2%) between 2013 and 2014. The number of residents aged 75 years or older increase by nearly 3%, or 377 people, and the number of residents aged 30 – 44 decreased by 2% in the past year. The projected figures indicate largest growth likely to be in residents aged 30-44 and 75 or older, whilst the number of residents aged 45-74 is projected to decrease.

Table 4.1: Renfrewshire resident population by year¹⁴ and projected population¹⁵

	2013	2014	Change 2013 - 2014		2027 Projection
			Total	Percent	
Total population	173,900	174,230	330	0.2%	176,109
Aged 15 years or younger	30,121	29,973	-148	-0.5%	30,374
Aged 16 years - 29 years	29,793	29,918	125	0.4%	26,311
Aged 30 years - 44 years	32,875	32,227	-648	-2.0%	43,482
Aged 45 years - 59 years	39,696	40,000	304	0.8%	34,986
Aged 60 years - 74 years	27,514	27,834	320	1.2%	21,323
Aged 75 years or older	13,901	14,278	377	2.7%	19,633

4.2 Urban – Rural composition

Nearly nine in every 10 Renfrewshire residents live in urban areas, which make up about one-fifth of the Renfrewshire area. One in every twenty residents live in rural areas, which make up more than three-quarters of the Renfrewshire area.

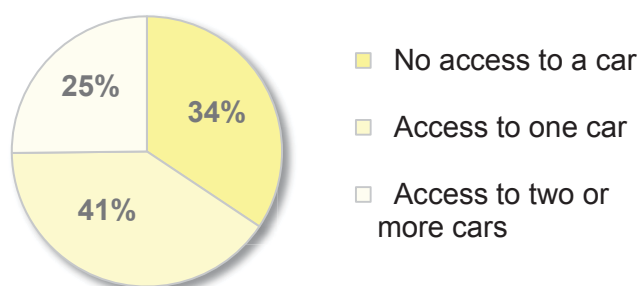
Table 4.2 Renfrewshire population¹⁶ and land area by urban-rural classification¹⁷

Urban-rural classification	Population		Area (hectares)	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Total	173,900	100%	26,038	100%
Urban areas	149,267	86%	5,724	22%
Accessible small towns	15,540	9%	548	2%
Accessible rural areas	9,093	5%	19,766	76%

4.3 Access to car

More than one-third (34%) of households in Renfrewshire do not have access to a car and more than half of all households (57%) located in the most deprived areas in Renfrewshire do not have access to a car.¹⁸ Approximately one in every 8 households (12%) in Renfrewshire's rural areas or small towns does not have access to a car.¹⁹ Figure 4.1 provides further detail.

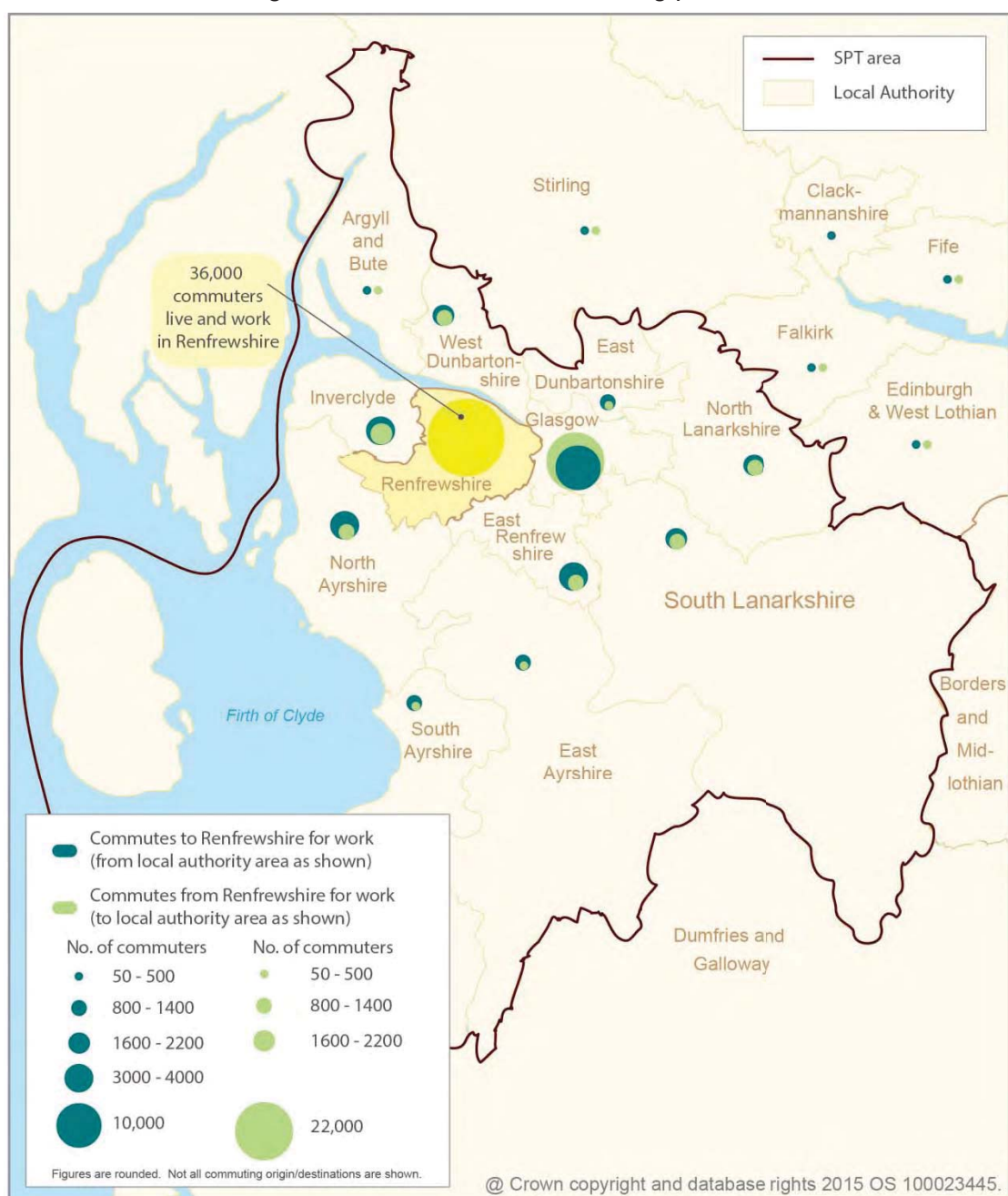
Figure 4.1 Household access to cars²⁰



4.4 Travel demand snapshot – commuting trips

Around 100,000 commuters travel from, to or across Renfrewshire on an average weekday. Figure 4.2 shows the commuters' origins and destinations by local authority area.²¹

Figure 4.1 Renfrewshire commuting patterns



5. Delivering transport improvements for Renfrewshire

Figure 5.1: Summary of SPT investments and services in Renfrewshire

RTS Outcome	2014/15 activity and 2012/13 - 2014/15 capital projects for RC
Attractive Seamless Reliable Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £1.7 million in grants from the SPT capital programme for bus infrastructure improvements in Paisley and throughout Renfrewshire • 55 identified breaches of traffic regulations, 3 reports to the Traffic Commissioner, 6749 vehicles checked in the Paisley SQP, 21 days of local service monitoring and 125 days of SQP monitoring • 1020 bus stops and 897 pole-mounted information cases maintained (bus stops under agency agreement) • 8 new bus stops, 42 pole-mounted information case upgrades and 86 bus stop graphics upgrades delivered by SPT in Renfrewshire with £20,000 from SPT capital programme • 135,000 bus departures from Buchanan Bus Station for services to Renfrewshire • 31,000 bus departures from Greenock Bus Station for services to Renfrewshire • 23,000 ZoneCard tickets purchased by Renfrewshire residents • £670,000 in estimated savings for Renfrewshire residents through ZoneCard ticketing
Improved Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £190,000 in grants from the SPT capital programme for roads projects in Renfrewshire • £250,000 in grants from the SPT capital programme for Fastlink in Renfrewshire • Supported transport planning for development at Braehead and Bishopton Royal Ordnance Site • Input to Clydeplan Main Issues Report
Access for All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 supported local bus services on 13 contracts carrying 365,000 passengers at a cost of £330,000 • 4 MyBus services carrying 30,000 passengers at a cost of £270,000 • £30,000 grant to Glasgow Hospitals Evening Visitor Service • 168 school contracts carrying 3600 schoolchildren per school day at a cost of £2,200,000 (under agency agreement) • School contract inspections - 219 on site inspections, 249 vehicles inspected and 244 Disclosure Scotland clearance applications processed • Estimated savings of £550,000 on rail and Subway travel for Renfrewshire residents through the Strathclyde Concessionary Travel Scheme • 2,400 National Entitlement Card (NEC) renewals or applications processed for Renfrewshire residents and 6,200 NEC enquiries from Renfrewshire residents • 7 Travel Points, 20 Mobile Travel Centre visits, 1,063,000 Travel Centre enquiries
Reduced Emissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £985,000 in grants from SPT capital programme for Johnstone Park and Ride expansion • £210,000 in grants from SPT capital programme for cycling infrastructure in Renfrewshire

6. Measuring progress

The figures below are measures of key travel and transport issues at the local and regional level.

Figure 6.1: Satisfaction with public transport²²

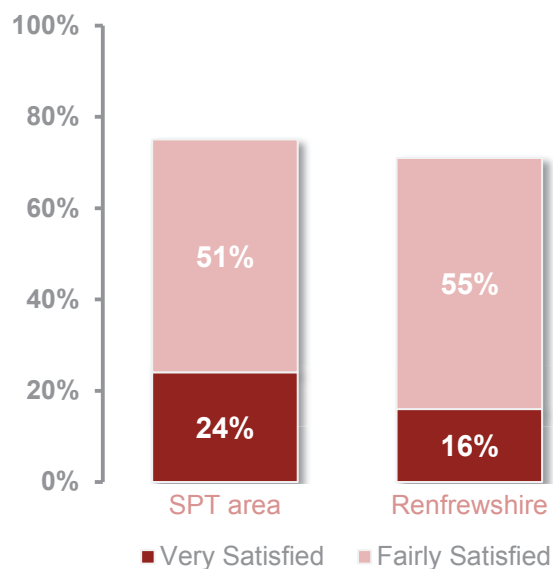


Figure 6.2: Congestion delays experienced by drivers^{23 *}

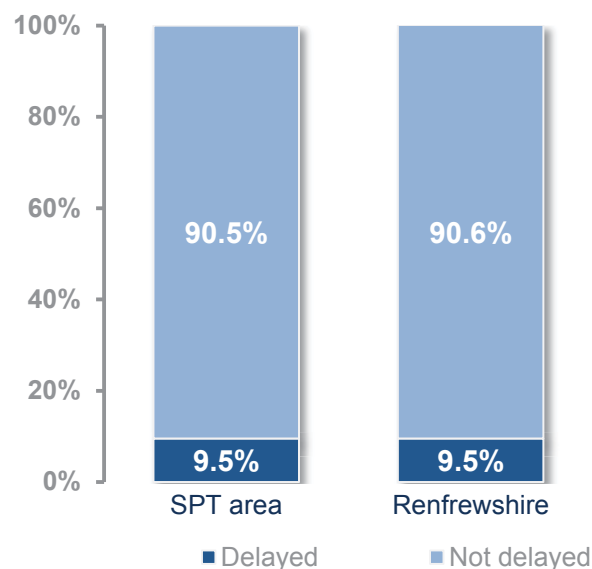


Figure 6.3: Convenience of public transport²⁴

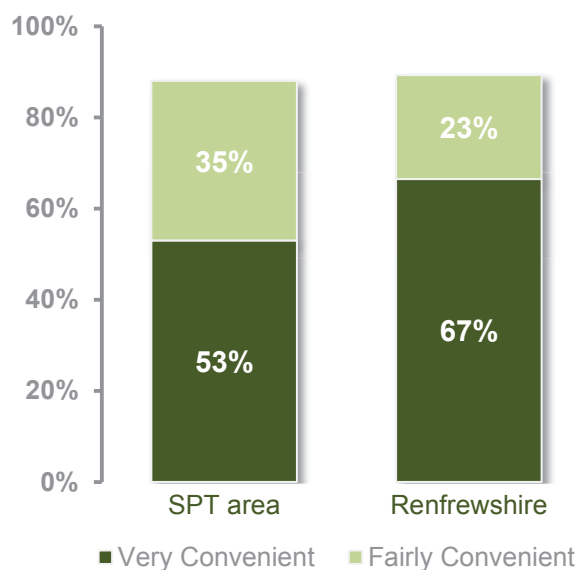
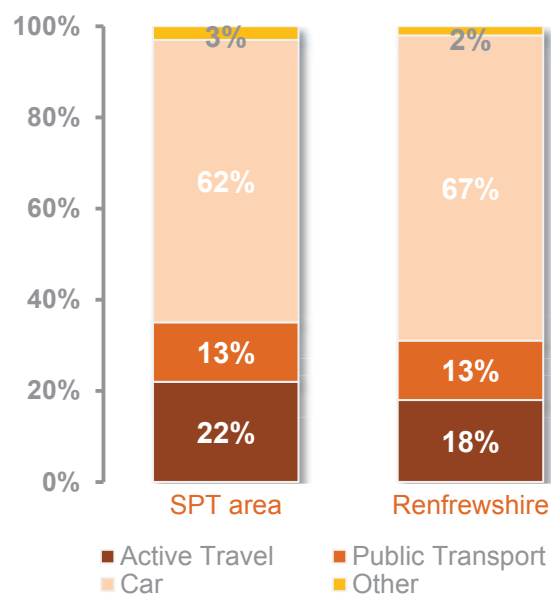


Figure 6.4: Main mode of travel²⁵



* Figures may not total to 100% due to rounding

7. Achieving 'Attractive Seamless Reliable Travel'

7.1 Bus Policy

SPT continues to progress its '10 Point Plan' for bus policy, which sets out a menu of proposed changes to legislation, regulations and powers, which would strengthen the role of Public Transport Authorities like SPT in delivering a better offering for bus passengers and a more active return for the considerable public sector investment in the bus market. A key progression this year has been Transport Scotland's consultation on proposed changes to the bus registration process, which were very much in line with SPT's 10 Point Plan. SPT will continue to work with the national Bus Stakeholder Group and other partners to progress our bus policy initiatives.

7.2 Statutory Quality Partnerships & Bus Infrastructure

In 2014/15, SPT service compliance inspectors identified 55 breaches of traffic regulations and made 2 reports to the Traffic Commissioner across 21 days of local service monitoring in Renfrewshire. SPT inspectors checked 6,749 vehicles and made 1 report to the Traffic Commissioner across 125 days of monitoring within the Paisley SQP. These breaches include instances of engine idling, illegal parking and services not operating as registered. Inspectors will continue to undertake local monitoring throughout 2015/16.

SPT bus station staff managed 135,000 departures at Buchanan Bus Station and 31,000 departures at Greenock Bus Station for bus services operating within Renfrewshire during 2014/15.

In 2014/15, SPT maintained 1,020 bus stops under agency agreement and maintained 897 SPT-owned, pole-mounted information cases in Renfrewshire. SPT delivered 8 new stops, 42 bus stop pole upgrades and 86 bus stop graphics upgrades in 2014/15 with £20,000 from SPT capital programme. SPT will seek to deliver further upgrades in 2015/16.

Renfrewshire Council delivered a variety of bus infrastructure improvements across Renfrewshire including within the Paisley SQP with £400,000 investment from the SPT capital programme in 2014/15.

RC will seek to deliver a new bus hub for Paisley town centre and further infrastructure improvements on bus corridors throughout Renfrewshire with £1.4 million of SPT capital funds in 2014/15.

SPT will continue to monitor the Paisley SQP and to work with RC and bus operators to make further improvements to bus travel in Renfrewshire for the benefit of passengers including extending the existing SQP boundaries beyond Paisley.

In the longer term, SPT will seek to extend real time passenger information across the region as part of the Strathclyde Bus Investment Programme - SPT's £30 million City Deal project.

7.3 Smart and Integrated Ticketing

SPT continues to promote ZoneCard integrated ticketing products and provides administrative and secretarial support to the ZoneCard Forum. Renfrewshire residents bought an estimated 23,000 ZoneCards and made around 1,100,000 trips using a ZoneCard in 2014/15 – saving Renfrewshire residents an estimated £670,000.

SPT is working with ScotRail to integrate rail and Subway ticketing systems in 2015/16, allowing passengers to pay for rail or Subway travel with either ScotRail or Subway smartcards. Additionally, a substantial proportion of the Strathclyde Bus Investment Programme is targeted towards developing an interface with commercial bus operators with the aim of establishing fully integrated ticketing across all public transport modes.

7.4 Additional figures in support of Attractive Seamless Reliable Travel

Figure 7.1 Bus mileage in Renfrewshire²⁶

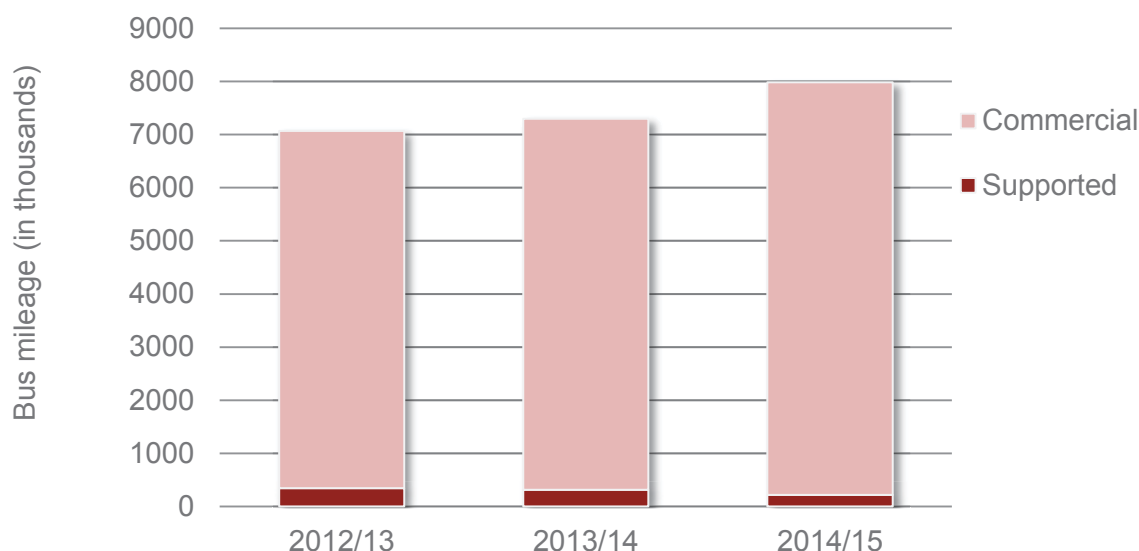


Figure 7.2 Use of local bus services (adults aged 16+ living in Renfrewshire), 2012/13²⁷

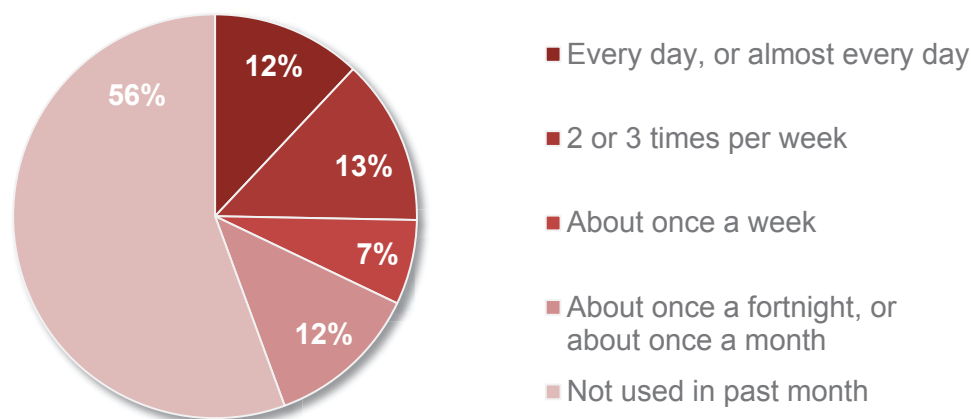
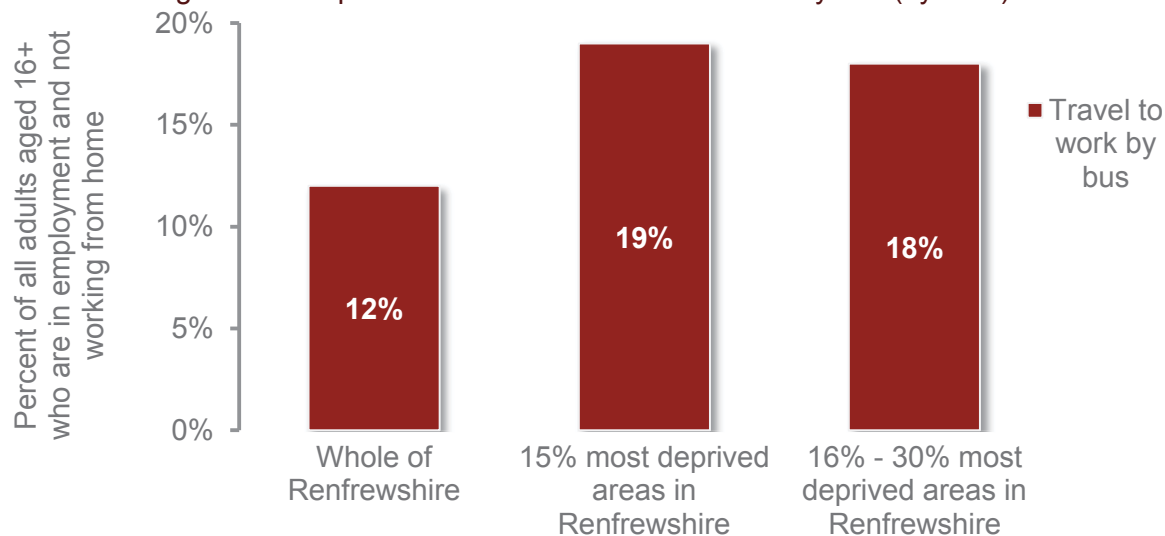


Figure 7.3 Proportion of adults who travel to work by bus (by area)²⁸



8. Achieving 'Improved Connectivity'

8.1 Rail

SPT will continue to work with RC to develop the case for rail enhancements across the area including possible service improvements as part of the wider network improvements to be delivered by rail partners.

SPT, through the West of Scotland Rail Forum, West of Scotland Transport Integration Forum and other engagement activities, will continue to co-ordinate and lead on regional input to the ScotRail franchise including service and timetable changes, fares and ticketing; investment in rail infrastructure; network planning; and new station development.

In the longer term, improved sustainable access to the airport remains a key priority and this is reflected in the projects agreed as part of Glasgow and Clyde Valley City Deal, with RC and Glasgow City Council as joint lead partners.

8.2 Roads & Freight

In 2014/15, RC completed design works for road safety improvements at Inchinnan with £32,000 investment from the SPT capital programme.

In 2015/16, RC will seek to construct the junction improvements at Inchinnan to improve road safety for all users including passengers waiting for buses on the A8. The SPT Partnership may consider approving £400,000 in capital funds for this project later in 2015.

8.3 Fastlink

In 2014/15, Renfrewshire Council progressed detailed design works for the Fastlink extension between the new South Glasgow Hospitals campus to Renfrew via Braehead with £104,000 in funds from the SPT capital programme.

In 2015/16, SPT will continue to support RC in taking forward proposals for the 'western approach' (Renfrew via Braehead) to the new South Glasgow Hospitals campus.

8.4 Integrating Transport and Land Use Planning

In 2014/15, SPT worked with RC and developers to provide advice and input on the development of local bus services, integration of public transport, provision of public transport information and development of active travel routes for the Royal Ordnance site at Bishopton and developments at Braehead. SPT worked closely with Clydeplan team in providing input for the development of and responded on the Strategic Development Plan Main Issues Report.

In 2015/16, SPT will continue to work with the Council and developers to ensure that sustainable transport measures are embedded in the delivery of new development and with the Clydeplan team to ensure that the relationship between transport and land use planning at the regional level remains at the heart of the proposed Plan. This includes a review of the key corridors at the heart of the West of Scotland Conurbation Public Transport Study, which provides the transport plans that underpin the Clydeplan spatial development strategy.

Additionally, as part of the City Deal, RC is lead on two major projects – Clyde Waterfront / Renfrew Riverside and the Glasgow Airport Investment Area – in addition to the airport access project referred to above. Ensuring appropriate transport improvements are delivered as part and in support of these significant land use projects will be central to their success, and SPT is working with City Deal partners to maximise the opportunities from these investments.

8.5 Additional figures in support of Improved Connectivity

Figure 8.1 Patronage at rail stations in Renfrewshire²⁹

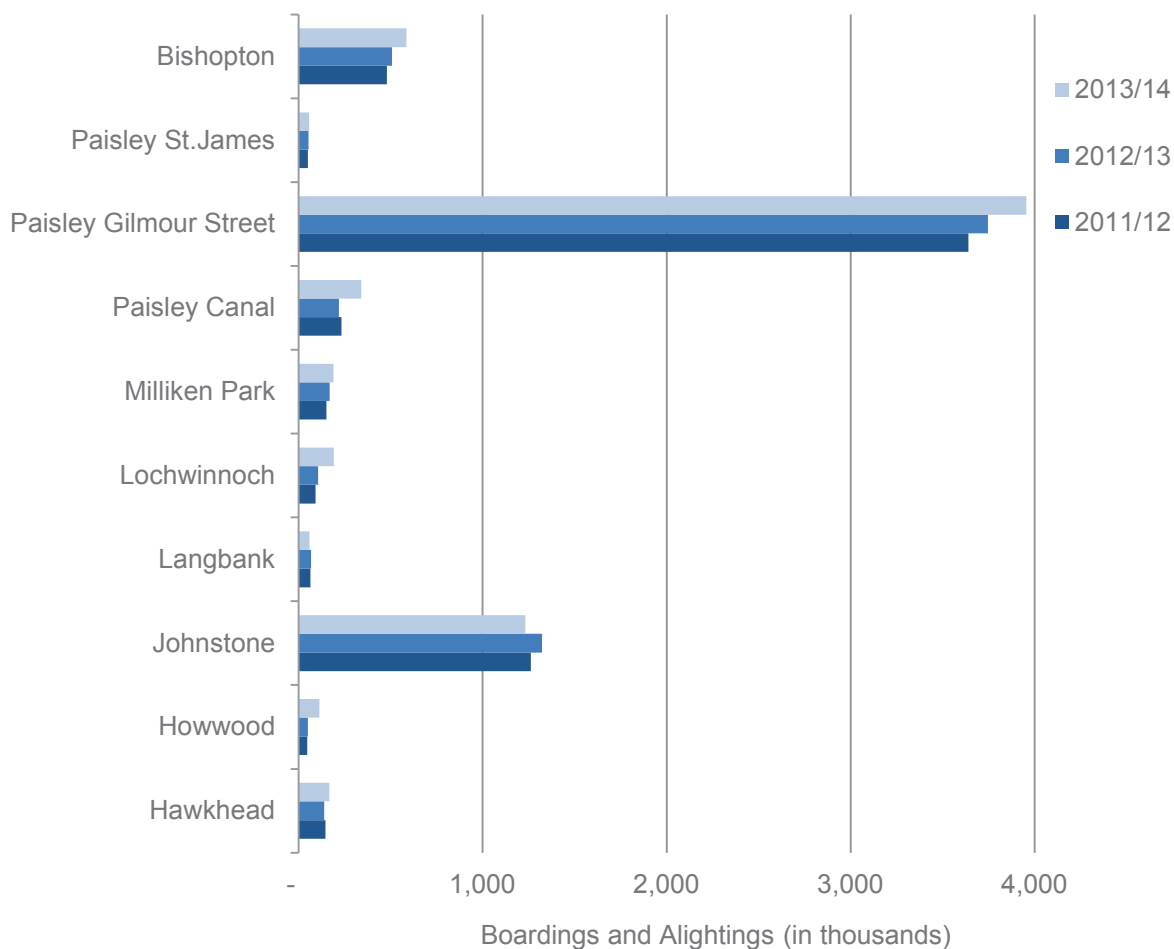
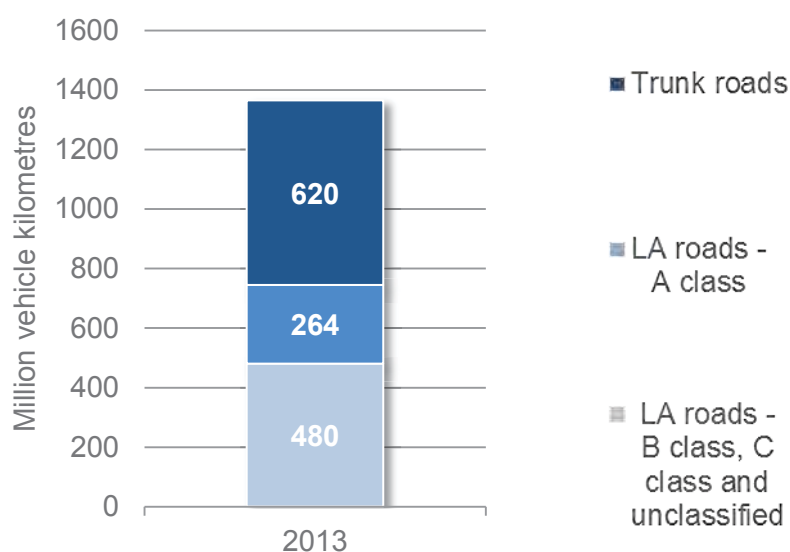


Figure 8.2 Traffic volumes on roads in Renfrewshire³⁰



9. Achieving 'Access for All'

9.1 Socially necessary Services

In 2014/15, SPT supported 16 local bus services in Renfrewshire on contracts that carried 365,000 passengers in total. SPT MyBus services in Renfrewshire carried 30,000 passengers.

In 2014/15, SPT managed 168 school bus contracts on behalf of Renfrewshire Council that transported 3,600 children to school every school day. SPT compliance inspectors made 219 inspections on site at schools, SPT vehicle examiners inspected 249 vehicles operating on school contracts and SPT processed 244 Disclosure Scotland clearance applications for potential drivers on school contracts.

In 2015/16, SPT will continue to provide socially necessary services in Renfrewshire to support greater access to education, employment, healthcare, shopping and other travel purposes.

9.2 Access to Healthcare

In 2014/15, SPT supported NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to roll out local bus information and directional maps at hospitals and key healthcare facilities. SPT also supported local bus services that provided direct access to Royal Alexandra Hospital and Vale of Leven Hospital, provided MyBus services for healthcare appointments and supported the Glasgow Hospital Evening Visitor Service.

In 2015/16, SPT will continue to provide socially necessary bus services and MyBus services and support Community Transport services to improve access to healthcare.

9.3 Equal Access

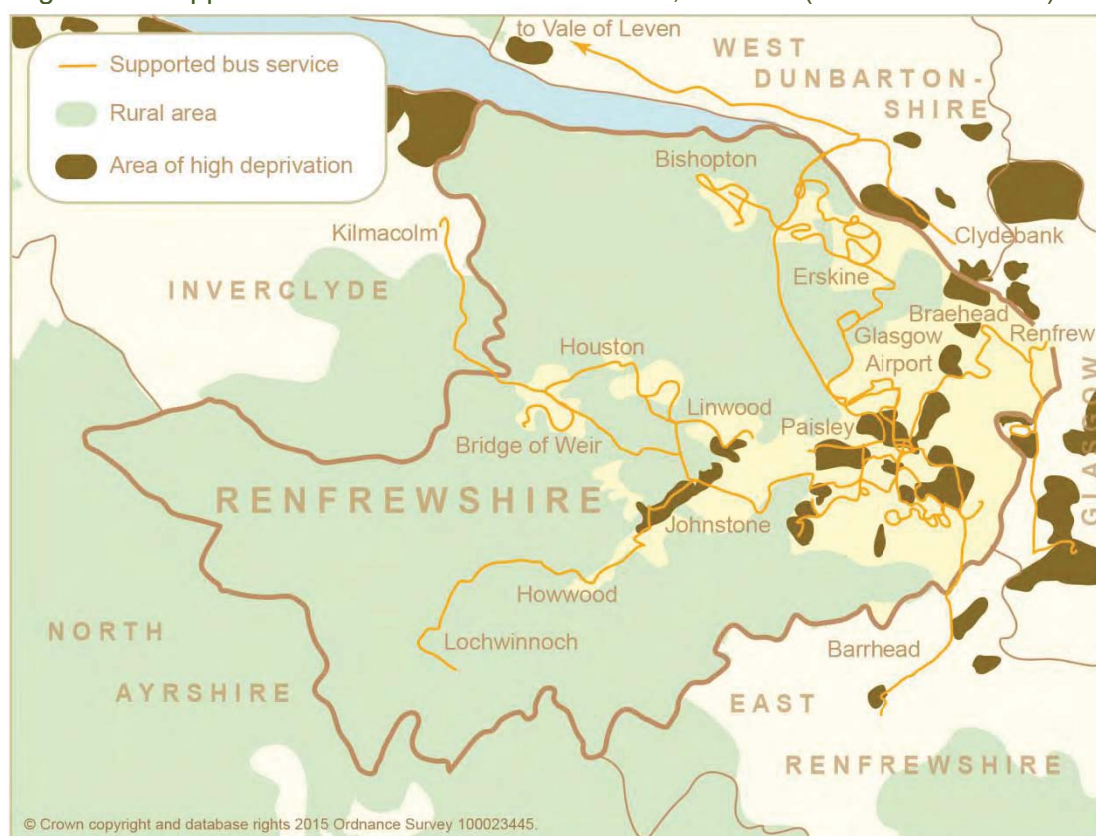
In 2014/15, the SPT Mobile Travel Centre made 20 visits to Bridge of Weir and Bishopton to provide travel advice and information to residents. SPT Travel Centre staff helped 1,063,000 people with travel enquiries and SPT maintained 7 Travel Points in Erskine, Johnstone, Paisley (2), Renfrew, Royal Alexandra Hospital and University of the West of Scotland campus to provide public transport timetables and journey planning information in easily accessible locations.

In 2014/15, RC delivered improvements to footpath links to bus stops and high access kerbs at bus stops to improve access onto buses. In 2015/16, RC will seek to deliver more high access kerbs and other access improvements for bus passengers as part of the £350,000 in approved SPT capital funding for bus infrastructure improvements in Renfrewshire.

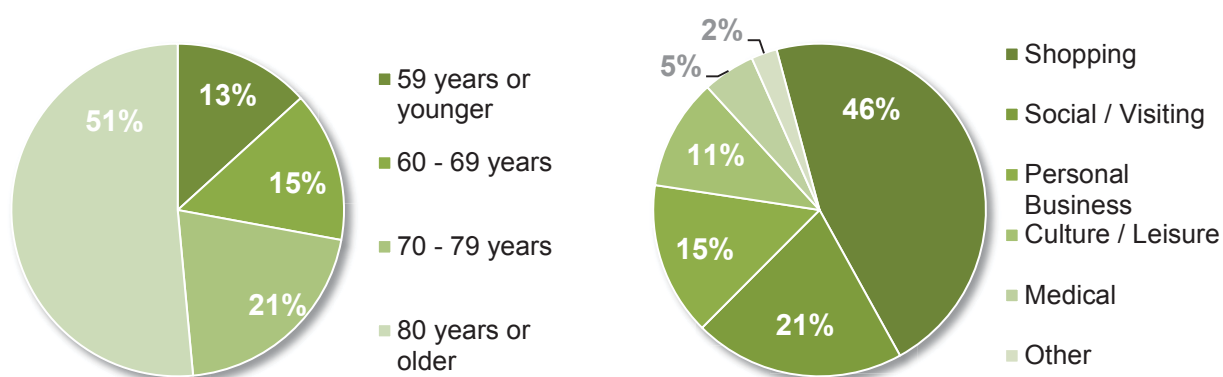
In 2014/15, Renfrewshire residents saved an estimated £550,000 on rail and Subway travel through the Strathclyde Concessionary Travel Scheme and SPT processed 2,400 National Entitlement Card (NEC) applications or renewals on behalf of RC and handled 6,200 enquiries on NECs from Renfrewshire residents. SPT will continue to deliver these services in 2015/16.

9.4 Additional figures in support of Access for All

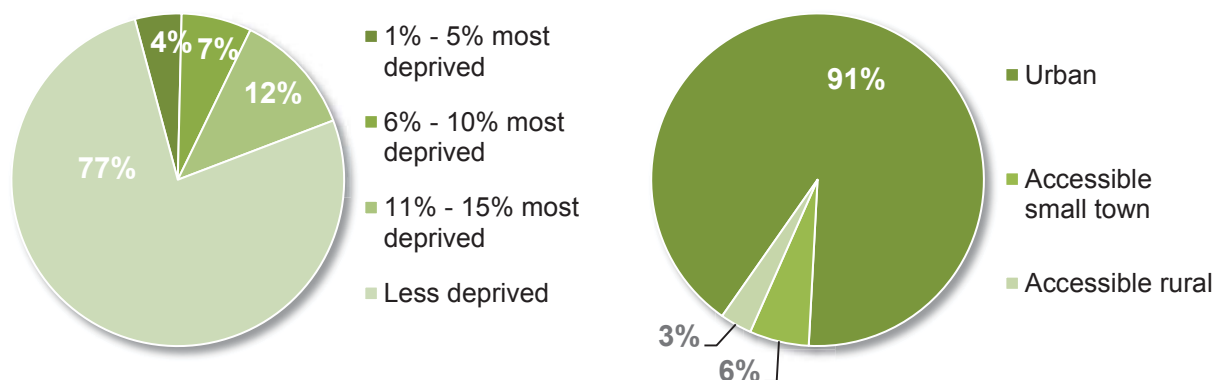
Figure 9.1 Supported bus services in Renfrewshire, 2014/15 (indicative network)



Figures 9.2 & 9.3 MyBus passengers by age and journey purpose, 2014/15



Figures 9.4 & 9.5 MyBus passengers by deprivation levels (of area of residence)³¹ and urban-rural characteristics (of area of residence), 2014/15³²



10. Achieving 'Reduced Emissions'

10.1 Park and Ride

In 2014/15, SPT, Renfrewshire Council, Transport Scotland and ScotRail worked in partnership to deliver an extension to Johnstone rail station park and ride. SPT provided £985,000 in capital funds to support the project, with further financial contributions from Renfrewshire Council and Transport Scotland.

Johnstone park and ride is one of the most heavily used park and ride sites in the SPT area and the expansion brought total capacity to 425 spaces, helping accommodate the extensive demand from commuters and other travellers.

SPT will work with Renfrewshire to develop proposals for improved park and ride at other locations including Hawkhead and Bishopton, which are priorities in the Renfrewshire Local Development Plan.

10.2 Cycling

In 2015/16, RC will complete design works to support delivery of cycle network infrastructure across Renfrewshire with £55,000 in capital funding from SPT. Additionally, SPT will support the development of the local cycling strategy and support the delivery of the Renfrewshire Community Planning Greener Transport Sub Group Action Plan.

10.3 Travel Behaviour Change

SPT will continue to support car sharing through JourneyShare, which currently has 4,635 members across the region, and will continue to promote best practice in sustainable travel promotion through the Sustainable Travel Group, of which Renfrewshire is a member. Topics in 2014/15 included Smarter Choices, Smarter Places; Community Links funding; local cycling strategies; cycle routes to the South Glasgow Hospitals; integrating rail and active travel; delivering cycle friendly campuses for tertiary education institutions; and influencing travel habits.

SPT will continue to support the season ticket employer loan scheme; to encourage mode shift for commuter journeys through Bike Week, Walk to Work Week and the Cycle to Work scheme; to improve conditions for cycling and walking through the SPT capital programme and will provide travel planning support within available resources.

10.4 Additional figures in support of Reduced Emissions

Figure 10.1 Park and ride sites and capacity in Renfrewshire, 2014

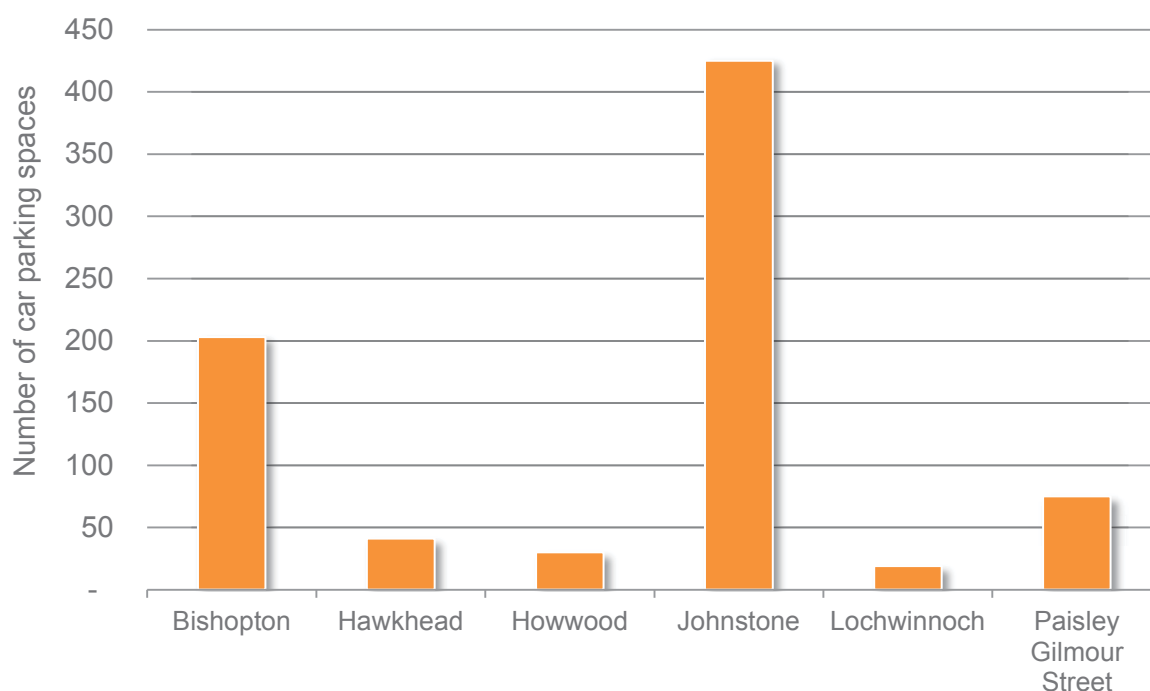


Figure 10.2 Number of bicycles available for private use by households (in Renfrewshire), 2012/2013³³

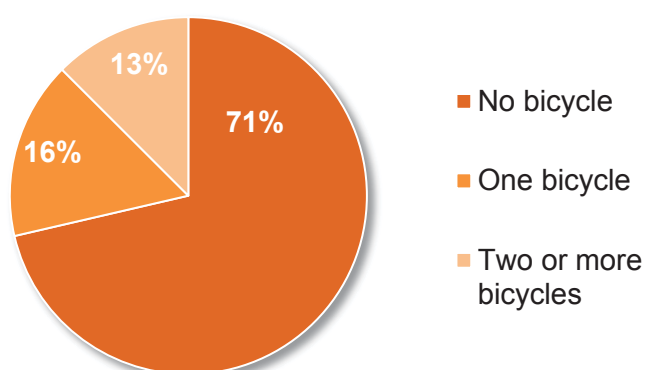
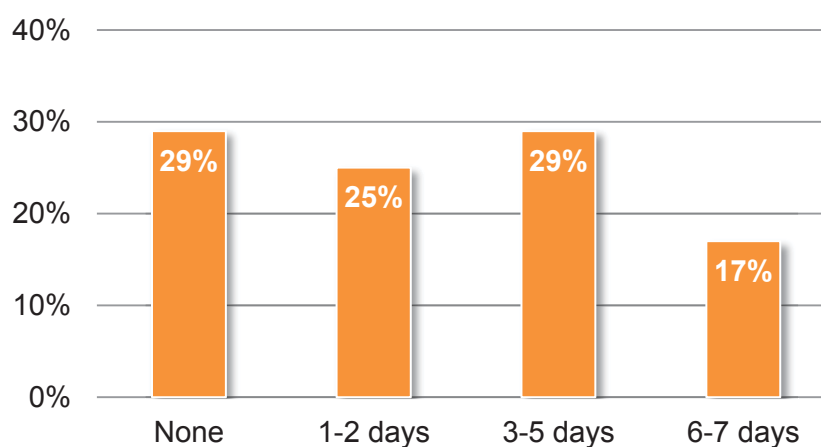


Figure 10.3 Frequency of walking in past week as a means of transport (adults aged 16+ in Renfrewshire), 2012³⁴



Appendix 1: 2014/15 supported bus services in Renfrewshire

Service Number	Route
X6A	Johnstone - Bridge of Weir - Linwood
X7A	Kilmacolm - Quarriers - Bridge of Weir - Johnstone
10	Hawkhead - Royal Alexandria Hospital - Morar Drive
20	Paisley - Royal Alexandria Hospital - Johnstone
21	Paisley - Renfrew - Braehead
22	Silverburn - Crookston - Braehead
60	Paisley Cross - Royal Alexandria Hospital
66	Paisley - Glasgow Airport - Inchinnan Business Park
70	Paisley Town Centre - Crags/Neilston Road
166	Neilston - Barrhead - Paisley - Gallowhill
264	Paisley - Ferguslie
340	Helensburgh/Vale of Leven Hospital – Royal Alexandria Hospital
307	Lochwinnoch Station - Lochwinnoch - Howwood - Johnstone Station
520/521	Bishopton/Erskine Local & Train feeder routes
757	Paisley - Clydebank

Appendix 2: SPT capital programme

SPT invested more than £3.3 million in capital projects delivered by Renfrewshire Council over financial years 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15.

Table 1 below provides a summary of RC projects in the 2015/16 SPT capital programme.

Table 1: Renfrewshire category 1 projects in 2015/16 SPT capital programme (as of April 2015)

Project	Details	Approved grant
Paisley Central Bus Hub	A new bus facility to serve Paisley Town Centre; in support of the Paisley statutory Quality Partnership	* £1,000,000
Renfrewshire Bus Corridor Improvements	Bus infrastructure improvements throughout Renfrewshire	£350,000
Cycle Route Development	Design and feasibility works to develop cycle network in Renfrewshire	£55,000
Paisley to Hawkhead Bus Route Improvements	New bus infrastructure and roadway improvements to improve access for buses on Glasgow Road between Paisley Town Centre and Hawkhead	£60,000
Total		£1,465,000

* An amended proposal may be taken to a future SPT Partnership to request approval that additional capital funding be moved from category 2 to category 1 to deliver this project in full during 2015/16.

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To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **31 AUGUST 2015**

Report by:
Oliver Reid (Lead Officer)
Head of Public Protection, Renfrewshire Council

STALLED SPACES SCOTLAND - UPDATE

1. Summary

- 1.1 Stalled Spaces Scotland: Renfrewshire received one application in the first round of funding following the June 2015 deadline. It is expected that further applications will be submitted for consideration by the Board following the August 2015 deadline.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board notes the contents of this report in preparation for consideration of future applications.

3. Background

- 3.1 Community groups have been invited to apply for £250 - £5,000 to bring derelict or vacant land back to temporary use within the Renfrewshire area as part of the Stalled Spaces Scotland programme. 75% of projects funded must be town centre based, and applications will be assessed by the Greener Thematic Board, having been initially assessed for essential criteria by the Greener Thematic sub-group. It is anticipated that the majority of awards will be for projects between £250 and £2,000.
- 3.2 The application form, guidance notes and scoring matrix are available on the Renfrewshire 2023 website (www.renfrewshire2023.com). The scoring matrix will be used by the Greener Board to assess each application.



4. Community Involvement/Engagement

- 4.1 Community groups were invited to attend two community engagement events in May 2015, where data was collected from organisations interested in applying to the programme. Following these engagement events, one application was received by the June 2015 deadline, however further negotiation with the community group will be necessary to ensure that the Stalled Spaces criteria is met before the application is granted.
- 4.2 Representatives from Engage Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire Council are currently in the process of discussing potential applications with community groups. We will continue to work with community groups to help them in the completion of their applications.



To: **Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board**

On: **31st August 2015**

Report by:
Renfrewshire Council
Director of Development & Housing Services

LOCAL GREEN NETWORK PROJECTS UPDATE GREENER COMMUNITIES SUB-GROUP

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a review of the Renfrewshire Council Local Green Network projects delivered in 2014/15.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board notes the projects completed through the Renfrewshire Council Local Green Network Programme in 2014/15.

3. Background

- 3.1 The improvement of Green Networks is a key element of the Renfrewshire Local Development Plan and in recent years a successful programme of projects has been delivered for the benefit of communities across Renfrewshire.
- 3.2 In 2014/15 seven projects were completed, the largest of which was the 'Grand Fountain: Interpretation and Restoration Project'. The remaining completed projects comprised:
- Linwood Lade Phase 4,
 - Renfrew Riverside Walkway study,
 - Lighting the National Cycle Network through Saucelhill Park,
 - Improvements to the lighting and new benches in Fountain Gardens,
 - various small scale access projects concentrating on Core Paths, and
 - various small scale green network upgrades.



- 3.4 As with previous years, Local Green Network projects continue to focus on creating green links, improving access and interpretation, and environmental improvements.

4. Benefits

- 5.1 Local green network projects aim to create, improve and extend access routes for active travel, recreational walking and cycling. In addition, projects address community safety by improving lighting, cutting back vegetation and improving sight lines as well as improving biodiversity and preventing damage to property through woodland management. The restoration of the Grand Fountain has increased activity in the park as well as preventing the loss of the category A listed fountain.

5. Community Engagement

- 6.1 Community engagement is a key component of the delivery of green network projects, demonstrated by the involvement of community groups in the Grand Fountain project, the success of work carried out by the Conservation Volunteers on various sites throughout the area and the involvement of over 1000 school children in the delivery of the Activity Plan for the Semple Trail Heritage Project.

6. Resources

- 4.1 Funding for the delivery of projects in 2015/16 is secured within approved Council budgets and external funding opportunities will continue to be maximised.



To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **31 AUGUST 2015**

Report by:
Greener Transport Sub-Group

GREENER TRANSPORT SUB-GROUP UPDATE ON PROGRESS

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report details the progress made by the Greener Transport sub-group in achieving the high level priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board. The minute of the meeting of the sub group, which took place on 14th July 2015, is attached as an appendix to this report.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Greener Thematic Board notes the update on progress of the Greener Transport Sub-Group.

3. Background

- 3.1 To ensure the main aims, objectives and priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board are achieved, it was agreed to create sub groups to focus on the four workstreams of the Board: Greener Communities; Greener Transport; Greener Housing; and Carbon Management and Waste Reduction.
- 3.2 The Greener Transport sub-group was established earlier this year led by Ross Nimmo of Glasgow Airport and assisted by Scott Allan, Head of Amenity Services at Renfrewshire Council. The first meeting of the group was held in May 2015 when it was agreed that the purpose of the group was to come together to ensure the community planning partners and community groups work in collaboration, ensuring improved communication and information sharing takes place to help achieve the priority outcomes and impact measures of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board.



4. Sub Group Meeting Summary

- 4.1 A presentation was delivered on the Renfrewshire Cycling Strategy, which is due to be submitted for Board approval later in the year. A number of key points were discussed including: the success of the Cycle to Work scheme at Glasgow airport with almost a quarter of their core staff taking advantage of the scheme; and the possibility of a cycle hire scheme being run by Abellio from Paisley Gilmour Street Station.
- 4.2 The group was provided with information on the ChargeYourCar website which holds details of all electric vehicle charging points in Renfrewshire. Community Planning Partners can upload information on any new charging points which are installed, to ensure all Renfrewshire residents can easily access location and capacity information on charging points across the area.
- 4.3 The members of the groups were asked to submit articles to the Renfrewshire 2023 website, which is currently being further developed to ensure all relevant information relating to Renfrewshire Community Planning matters is published, to ensure it can be accessed by the general public.
- 4.4 The next sub-group meeting is scheduled to be held on 22nd September 2015.

5. Community Involvement/Engagement

- 5.1 The community groups which are represented at the Greener Transport sub-group are: Renfrewshire Council; Glasgow Airport; SPT; UWS; Sustrans; NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde; and West College Scotland. Invitations will be submitted to other community representatives when appropriate to the agenda.

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Appendix 1

**RENFREWSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP
MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF
GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD
GREENER TRANSPORT SUB-GROUP
HELD ON 14TH JULY 2015
RENFREWSHIRE HOUSE, COTTON STREET, PAISLEY**

IN ATTENDANCE

Ross Nimmo (Chair), Glasgow Airport; Shona Rawlings, Sustrans; Gillian Brown, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde; Claire Roxburgh, UWS; Alastair Scott, David Burnie, Tom Stirling, Jean Brown, all Renfrewshire Council

APOLOGIES

Allan Dick, West College Scotland; John Binning, SPT; Kate Cuthbert, Elaine Lorimer, both Renfrewshire Council

1.	<p>INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>R Nimmo welcomed all attendees and asked that they introduce themselves and explained the groups' purpose.</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>It was agreed that the purpose and remit of the group was to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Help maintain green transport initiatives• Learn and share plans relating to transport; travel; and staff commuting.• Facilitate joint working with Community Planning partners through learning; project working; and funding opportunities.	Agreed
2	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Greener Transport sub-group held on 13th May 2015.</p> <p>DECIDED: That the minute be approved.</p>	Agreed



3.	<p>UPDATE ON PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS AND PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT</p> <p>A copy of the report showing the progress against targets and the proposed revisions to the Single Outcome Agreement, which had been submitted to the June meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board, had been circulated with the agenda. J Brown asked that the members of the group identify any changes to the measures and targets used in the Greener Transport element of the Single Outcome Agreement which can then be submitted to the next meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board for approval.</p> <p>DECIDED</p> <p>All members of the sub group to notify J Brown of any proposed changes to the Greener Transport element of the Single Outcome Agreement by end September.</p>	All
4.	<p>CYCLING STRATEGY IN RENFREWSHIRE</p> <p>A Scott delivered a presentation giving a summary of Renfrewshire's Cycling Strategy which is currently under consultation and will be submitted for Board approval later in the year. Alastair confirmed that all organisations round the table will be given the opportunity to comment on the Strategy prior to submission to Board.</p> <p>During discussions following the presentation, R Nimmo advised that facilities for cyclists have improved at Glasgow Airport with a quarter of the core airport staff taking up the Cycle to Work scheme.</p> <p>Discussions also took place around the possibility of cycle hire facilities in Renfrewshire. It was noted that Abellio have plans to introduce cycle hire from mainline railway stations with Paisley Gilmour Street included in this. Both R Nimmo and C Roxburgh stated that there would potentially be significant interest in this from their organisations.</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>Draft Cycling Strategy to be circulated to Community Planning Partners for comment, prior to submission to Board.</p> <p>Presentation on Renfrewshire Cycling Strategy to be circulated to all sub group members.</p> <p>R Nimmo to contact Des Bradley of Abellio to find out more information on the cycle hire scheme from Paisley Gilmour Street Station and feed back to</p>	<p>AS</p> <p>JB</p> <p>RN</p>



5.	<p>ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND CHARGING POINTS IN RENFREWSHIRE</p> <p>D Burnie provided information on electric vehicles. He confirmed that Transport Scotland have paid the gap funding to enable electric vehicles to be purchased for Renfrewshire Council's fleet, which will have a total of 22 electric vehicles in this financial year. This gap funding has been reducing due to the cost of electric vehicles becoming more in line with traditional vehicles. C Roxburgh confirmed that the first electric vehicle for UWS is due for delivery and that they would be keen to take advantage of any further funding opportunities for electric vehicles through Transport Scotland.</p> <p>D Burnie confirmed that Transport Scotland funding is only available to public sector organisations but the Energy Savings Trust could be approached for funding for other organisations.</p> <p>D Burnie provided an update on electric vehicle charging points. He met with a representative from an organisation called Charge Your Car and confirmed that a map is available on their website showing the location and details of all charge points in Renfrewshire. Transport Scotland are currently funding all electricity used at publicly funded charging points but once this funding ceases, procedures will require to be put in place for recovering costs. (A demonstration of an electric vehicle and charging point in use followed the meeting)</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>An information sheet to be prepared on raising awareness of the location of electric vehicle charging points and funding sources available.</p> <p>The Single Outcome Agreement target for the indicator which measures the '% of Renfrewshire Council Fleet which uses alternative fuels such as electricity', to be increased.</p> <p>Link to the ChargeYourCar website to be added to Renfrewshire Council and Renfrewshire 2023 websites.</p>	<p>D Burnie</p> <p>J Brown</p> <p>J Brown</p>
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6.	<p>AOCB</p> <p>J Brown confirmed that the Renfrewshire 2023 Community Planning website is now up and running and contributions are sought from all Community Planning Partners. The administration and authoring on the website are currently carried out by Renfrewshire Council Communications team but training on the website is available for all Community Planning Partners.</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>Any contributions for inclusion on the Renfrewshire 2023 website to be passed to J Brown.</p> <p>Nominations for training on website administration and authoring to be passed to J Brown.</p>	All
7.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>The next Greener Transport Sub Group meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 September 2015, time and location to be confirmed.</p>	Agreed



To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **31 AUGUST 2015**

Report by:
Greener Communities Sub-Group

GREENER COMMUNITIES SUB-GROUP UPDATE ON PROGRESS

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report details the progress made by the Greener Communities sub-group in achieving the high level priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board. The minute of the meeting of the sub group, which took place on 23rd July 2015, is attached as an appendix to this report.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Greener Thematic Board notes the update on progress of the Greener Communities Sub-Group.

3. Background

- 3.1 To ensure the main aims, objectives and priorities of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board are achieved, it was agreed to create sub groups to focus on the four workstreams of the Board: Greener Communities; Greener Transport; Greener Housing; and Carbon Management and Waste Reduction.
- 3.2 The Greener Communities sub-group was established earlier this year led by John Wilby of the Renfrewshire Forum for Empowering Communities, assisted by Iain Cunningham of Engage Renfrewshire. The first meeting of the group was held in April 2015 when it was agreed that the purpose of the group was to network, share information, and discuss Greener initiatives being carried out by community groups across Renfrewshire.
- 3.3 An action plan is in place for the Greener Communities sub group to help ensure the Greener Communities element of the priority outcomes and impact measures of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board are achieved.



4. Sub Group Meeting Summary

- 4.1 It was agreed that the Green Newsletter, which is to be issued to those who sign up to the Greener Pledge, will be created from the content on the Renfrewshire 2023 website. All community partners were asked to provide contributions for the website regarding any greener events or initiatives being carried out.
- 4.2 The Greener Communities Action Plan requires to be updated to ensure progress on the actions and changes to the responsibility are updated. It was agreed that the Greener Communities sub-group could have a significant role to play in ensuring there is a joined up approach to greener activities being carried out across Renfrewshire.
- 4.3 Representatives from LEAP, the Forestry Commission and Eadha Enterprises provided updates to the group on initiatives which they are currently working on and their plans for the future.
- 4.4 The next sub-group meeting is scheduled to be held on 24th September 2015.

5. Community Involvement/Engagement

- 6.1 The community groups which are represented at the Greener Communities sub-group are: Renfrewshire Council; Forum for Empowering Communities; Engage Renfrewshire; Environmental Training Team; The Forestry Commission and SUSTRANS. Invitations will be submitted to other community representatives when appropriate to the agenda.

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**RENFREWSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP
MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF
GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD
GREENER COMMUNITIES SUB-GROUP
HELD ON 23 JULY 2015
ENGAGE RENFREWSHIRE,
10 FALCON CRESCENT, PAISLEY**

IN ATTENDANCE

Iain Cunningham (Chair), Engage Renfrewshire; John Wilby, Lead Officer, Forum for Empowering Communities; Scott Duncan, LEAP; Derek Shannon, Forestry Commission; Peter Livingstone, Eadha Enterprises; Ian Williams, Environmental Training Team; Maria Corrigan, Sharon Marklow, Jean Brown, all Renfrewshire Council

APOLOGIES

Joe Wacławski, Sustrans; Mark Faichney, Kirsty Wright, both Renfrewshire Council

1.	<p>INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>I Cunningham welcomed all attendees and asked that they introduce themselves and explained the groups' purpose.</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <p>It was agreed that the purpose and remit of the group is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A forum to share information with community groups and community planning partners• To ensure there is a link with what's happening at ground level and the priorities of the Community Plan.• Encouraging local groups and organisations to sign up to the Greener Pledge, receive the quarterly Green Newsletter and have the opportunity to participate in the annual Community Planning events.	Agreed
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2	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Greener Communities sub-group held on 23rd April 2015.</p> <p>ISSUES: An update was requested on the progress of the Green Newsletter. JB confirmed that Alan Bradford of Renfrewshire Council’s communications team is presently working on the development of the Renfrewshire 2023 website. All community planning partners are asked to submit contributions for the website relating to events/initiatives being carried out in their organisations. Alan will then create a newsletter based on these contributions. JB also advised that training is available for website authors . It was also noted that the Green Newsletter should not conflict with the newsletter which is currently issued by Steve Edwards in relation to Growing Grounds.</p> <p>DECIDED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The minute was approved by DS and seconded by IW.• Contributions for the Renfrewshire 2023 website to be submitted to alan.bradford@renfrewshire.gov.uk, together with details of any potential authors for the website.	Agreed All
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3.	<p>ACTION PLAN AND SCORECARD</p> <p>JB tabled a copy of the original action plan which had been prepared for the Greener Communities sub group. Following lengthy discussions it was noted that significant input was required to ensure the actions and relevant organisations which had been assigned responsibility to carry them out be updated. It was noted that a lot of co-ordination is required to ensure that any activities being carried out by community groups, Renfrewshire Council and the Community Planning Partners are co-ordinated and help achieve the priorities of the Renfrewshire Community Plan. It was agreed that the Greener Communities sub-group could have a significant role to play in ensuring there is a joined up approach to greener activities being carried out across Renfrewshire.</p> <p>JB also referred to the headline and supporting indicators relating to Greener Communities from the Greener Renfrewshire element of the Single Outcome Agreement and asked that all members of the group advise if they have any comments/ suggestions relating to the measures and targets being used.</p> <p>DECIDED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members of the sub group to notify IC/JW details of updates to ensure the action plan can be refreshed prior to the next meeting of the group. • JB to issue an updated Single Outcome Agreement report to the group and all members to notify any proposed changes to the Greener Communities performance measures or targets by end September, which can then be submitted to the next meeting of the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board for approval. 	<p>Agreed</p> <p>All</p> <p>JB/All</p>
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4.	<p>MEMBER UPDATES</p> <p>Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP)</p> <p>SD provided an update on some of the work being carried out by LEAP. The organisation is funded through the Climate Challenge Fund, with guaranteed funding to March 2016. Some of the work carried out includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work in energy transport education. The LEAP car share club is an example of this. This is now a self sufficient project and is not reliant on any external funding but assistance is required to sustain the project through provision of locations and electric charging points for the cars.• Energy advice is provided to rural communities including the installation of external wall insulation. LEAP can only provide assistance for domestic properties but they have been approached by community groups looking for advice and assistance relating to energy efficiencies for commercial properties or for taking on void council properties, so there is a need which requires to be met.• The group is currently aiming to expand into adult education to offer workshops which would generate an income – e.g. boatbuilding. <p>Eadha Enterprises</p> <p>PL provided an update on the work of Eadha Enterprises. The social enterprise was founded in 2011 with initial funding from Oxfam but no core funding at present. It is a registered charity with one paid member of staff. Eadha Enterprises run a small aspen tree nursery in Lochwinnoch and works with local groups, such as Kibble, to provide Level 1 City & Guilds Horticulture qualifications. They have already delivered a number of woodland projects across Renfrewshire and beyond.</p> <p>Eadha Enterprises are looking for opportunities to deliver projects relating to woodlands, on their own or in partnership with other organisations. Proposals have been submitted in respect of a community woodland at the Linwood Moss landfill site and for woodland at the former ROF site in Bishopston.</p> <p>A key issue for the group at present is to obtain a key, designated site to base their operation, which must be at least ½ acre and have a water supply. It is hoped that the Council has a suitable vacant derelict site which could be used.</p>	
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	<p>Forestry Commission</p> <p>DS confirmed that there is currently a Land Management Plan Consultation ongoing until September – once finalised, the results will be published on the Renfrewshire 2023 website. This was previously known as a Forest Design Plan but the name has been changed to better reflect the management of the sites, especially those within the central belt and communities. (There are currently 6 sites across Renfrewshire).</p> <p>DS also confirmed he has contributed to the consultation relating to the new Renfrewshire Outdoor Access Strategy. This will replace the strategy which was approved in 2004 and will reflect the changes in policy both at a government and local level since its implementation in 2004. Further consultation on the strategy will take place in September prior to submission to Board for approval.</p> <p>DECIDED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information to be shared with the group relating to any assistance which could be offered to community groups to make their premises more energy efficient. SM to discuss availability of vacant derelict sites in Renfrewshire with PL. Opportunity to contribute to the Renfrewshire Outdoor Access Strategy or to find out more information: corepaths.pt@renfrewshire.gov.uk 	<p>All</p> <p>SM/PL</p> <p>All</p>
5	<p>STALLED SPACES</p> <p>It was noted that no further applications had been received. A reminder email was issued to all organisations which had expressed an interest at the events held in May. It is understood that there are 2 applications which are likely to be received prior to the 10th August deadline.</p> <p>Discussions took place regarding the rejection of the one application which has been submitted to determine if the element of the application relating to capital equipment could be changed.</p> <p>DECIDED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed that further contact to be made to all the interested groups to encourage them to submit an application. Clarity to be sought from ADS to clarify the reasons for rejection of the first application. 	<p>IC/JW/ KW</p>



6	AOCB DS advised that Renfrewshire Rural Watch has been launched. This involves partnership working with the Forestry Commission, Police Scotland, Elderslie Estates and Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership. This has been set up to make rural Renfrewshire secure against illegal activity such as the theft of machinery, equipment, livestock, metal, illegal poaching and fly-tipping More information can be found on http://renfrewshireruralwatch.co.uk	
7	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the group will be Thursday 24 th September 2015 at 10am in the offices of Engage Renfrewshire	



To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **31 AUGUST 2015**

Report by:
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ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND WASTE MANAGEMENT IN RENFREWSHIRE HOUSE

1. Summary

- 1.1 Renfrewshire Council's Energy Asset Unit is continually striving to reduce costs, energy use and carbon emissions across the council, through its assets and staff.
- 1.2 To measure attitudes to energy usage, waste collection, recycling and travel-to-work, a survey was conducted in July 2015 with Renfrewshire House based Renfrewshire Council employees.
- 1.3 The survey was intended to provide baseline measurements of prevailing attitudes ahead of a promotional campaign to recruit Green Champions to help engage the wider staff group in energy efficient and other 'green' measures within the workplace.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Greener Renfrewshire Thematic Board notes the work being carried out by Renfrewshire Council's Energy Asset Unit and Waste Services to raise awareness of energy efficiency and waste management in Renfrewshire House.

3. Background

- 3.1 All Renfrewshire Council employees in Renfrewshire House were invited to participate in a survey, in July 2015 to measure attitudes to energy usage, waste collection, recycling and travel-to-work.



- 3.2 As part of the survey, staff were invited to volunteer to be a Green Champion, with the purpose of promoting energy efficiency measures, improving waste management and encouraging recycling amongst their colleagues. 16 staff members from Renfrewshire House volunteered to take up this role.
- 3.3 The survey received a very healthy response rate with almost 300 employees participating which compares favourably with similar staff surveys. The high response rate suggests that these are issues of significant interest to employees – some feel positively about current efforts, while others are critical, but there are certainly high levels of engagement.
- 3.4 It was noted in the results of the survey that the processes in place to recycle paper, cardboard, glass, cans and plastic are broadly categorised as ‘excellent’ or ‘good’. There is, however, a much lower awareness of how to recycle glass.
- 3.5 A significant percentage of respondents (29%) were unable to describe their levels of energy usage at work. This suggests it would be a useful engagement and educational exercise to highlight a typical individual’s energy usage within the workplace.
- 3.6 Almost 60% of respondents confirmed they travel to work alone, by car. This underlines the requirement to encourage staff to switch to greener methods of transport. This issue has been identified through the work being carried out by the Greener Transport sub-group.
- 3.7 Almost 80% of all respondents consider the cost of energy usage to be equally as important as the environmental implications.

4. Resources

- 4.1 The annual energy costs for Renfrewshire House in 2014/15 were £425,000 but more than half of the respondents assumed it would be less than this.
- 4.2 A total of 76 tonnes of waste were collected in Renfrewshire House in 2014 although more than half the respondents thought it would be less than this. 43% of this waste was recycled, although almost a quarter of respondents expected the recycling rate to be higher than this.



5. Prevention

- 5.1 A number of actions have been agreed following analysis of the survey results to address the issues raised and suggestions received.
- 5.2 Green Champions are to be recruited across Renfrewshire House for the purpose of increasing awareness of energy usage, waste management and recycling within the building. Examples of this are: identifying equipment which is left on unnecessarily (e.g. monitors); promoting the use of recycling bins; and providing a point of contact in every area of Renfrewshire House to provide advice and information on energy usage, waste management and recycling.
- 5.3 A Green Champions' Working Group is being established which will help share successes in increasing awareness of energy and waste issues within Renfrewshire House and help to reduce overall consumption and increase recycling.
- 5.4 A council-wide Carbon Awareness Campaign is being planned with strong visuals which will provide staff with instantly recognisable messages on how to reduce carbon emissions.
- 5.5 Options are being investigated to roll-out the Green Champion model and Carbon Awareness Campaign to other council venues, particularly schools.
- 5.6 The current Cycle to Work Scheme is being actively promoted to all Renfrewshire Council employees to encourage more employees to cycle to work, therefore, helping to reduce the high percentage of lone car journeys.

6. Community Involvement/Engagement

- 6.1 It is intended that the ongoing work in Renfrewshire House to raise awareness and change attitudes towards energy use and carbon emissions can be rolled out across all Renfrewshire Council employees and assets. Good practice will be shared with our Community Planning Partners with the aim of changing attitudes to energy usage, waste collection, recycling and travel-to-work throughout Renfrewshire.

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To: **GREENER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD**

On: **31 AUGUST 2015**

Report by:
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OVERVIEW OF INITIATIVES AND GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides an overview of recent developments, initiatives and funding streams made available to Community Planning Partnerships in Scotland. It takes account of the emerging work streams and actions identified by the Board.
- 1.2 A similar update will be provided for each Board to stimulate awareness and decisions about the wider Greener theme and agenda. If any Board member has any information they would like included and circulated in future issues of the update, please forward to the report author.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board notes the content of the appendices to this report.

3. Background

- 3.1 In order to provide the Board members with support, policy advice and consistency of approach, this report explores communication received from the Scottish Government and other statutory bodies, good practice examples from other local authorities as well as national and local initiatives and projects. Where available, a local view has also been provided on the topic.



4. Resources

- 4.1 Information on funding streams which have been identified and which Community Planning Partners can apply for in relation to the Greener agenda are included in the appendices of this report.

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Appendix 1

Good Practice Examples

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Strathclyde Partnership Transport (SPT) has provided £10,000 funding towards the latest version of the Traveline Scotland app, which features an easy-to-use, dedicated 'Travel to Hospitals' section. This offers instant information on transport links available to hospitals across Scotland at the tap of a screen and is particularly relevant with the opening of the new Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow. With space for 750,000 patients and more than 10,500 staff, it is vital that the large volume of people accessing Europe's largest hospital can easily access travel information.

SPT Director of Bus Operations Ronnie Park said: "SPT recognised the need to have the app updated and available on all relevant smartphone platforms well before NSGUH opened its doors. With several existing NHS facilities being merged into one campus, the number of new public transport users is likely to significantly increase, so having a simple and seamless source of information is absolutely essential."

Using the new feature, users can easily pick their NHS destination from a list of pre-defined locations, which will plan their journey right to the door of that facility. For the new Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow, this will take staff and visitors directly to the new bus facility at Arrival Square on the campus.

Glasgow City Council

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Glasgow City Council hosted an event in July highlighting the various Affordable Warmth programmes available for homes and businesses in the city, that offer both reduced energy costs, tackle fuel poverty and a reduced impact on the environment.

The council's Affordable Warmth team outlined, to an audience of housing associations, the available programmes, such as the Home Energy Efficiency Programme for Scotland Area Based Schemes (HEEPS ABS) and the Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funding and initiatives using cutting edge technology and renewables such as district heating, biomass, Ecopod projects and innovative programmes for insulating Glasgow homes. The council's Energy Efficiency Loan Scheme (EELS) provides interest free loans to help owners participate.

This council team is unique in Scotland firstly because of its focus on all homes in the city, not just public sector stock, and secondly its assistance to housing associations through the drawing



together of complex funding packages for Affordable Warmth projects which could not be accessed otherwise.

The Scottish Government

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Construction work has started on a state-of-the-art biomass facility on the site of a former paper mill at Guardbridge in Fife. The site will be constructed using only wood from sustainable local sources and will pump hot water from the plant four miles underground to heat and cool laboratories and student residences in St Andrews.

The green energy centre which is being delivered by St Andrews University will help to regenerate north east Fife by creating more than 225 jobs in the construction phase.

The University has developed the Guardbridge Guarantee as part of the project. This ensures that the project supports apprenticeship and graduate training, creating and sustaining jobs while working with the local community to promote environment and energy projects and local business.

The Scottish Government

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Communities from inner city Glasgow to western Harris are set to benefit from £500,000 in funding for demonstrator projects designed to encourage the use and local ownership of renewable energy.

A third of the 23 projects are specifically focussed on town and city areas, building on the already established trend for community ownership of renewable energy sources in more rural areas.

Energy Minister Fergus Ewing announced in June that community and locally owned energy capacity in Scotland could generate enough electricity to power approximately 100,000 domestic households.

This is the second allocation made from the Scottish Government's Local Energy Challenge Fund, which confirms Scotland's position as a global leader in renewables and low carbon development. Each project has received funding of up to £25,000 for feasibility work and, if successful, may be able to compete for significant capital support.



Keep Scotland Beautiful

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Keep Scotland Beautiful has secured future funding from the Scottish Government to continue to develop and manage the Eco-Schools Scotland programme, which 98% of schools are engaged with.

Keep Scotland Beautiful will receive £440,000 of funding to manage the Eco-Schools Scotland programme and develop new activities to support educators, children and young people to engage with learning for sustainability and will reshape Eco-Schools Scotland around the needs of learners and schools.

Eco-Schools is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world and is operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).



Appendix 2

Research and Consultations

Scottish Government

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A consultation has been carried out by the Scottish Government in respect of Permitted Development Rights for Non-Domestic Solar Panels and Domestic Air Source Heat Pumps. This consultation paper sets out proposals that increase the number of situations in which solar panels on non-domestic buildings (those that are not homes) and air source heat pumps on domestic buildings (homes) can go ahead without first having to seek planning permission through making a planning application to the planning authority for the area.

Permitted development rights help provide certainty about what development can proceed. Permitted development rights can reduce costs for applicants and building owners by removing the fees and costs associated with the planning application process. The consultation closed on 27th August 2015.

Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

SEPA is carrying out a consultation to provide the opportunity for stakeholders to give their views on their revised enforcement policy and new guidance on enforcement. The Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (**RR(S) Act**) has enabled the Scottish Ministers to give SEPA the power to impose fixed and variable monetary penalties and accept enforcement undertakings (**the enforcement measures**). The enforcement measures form part of the new environmental enforcement framework for Scotland that will enable more proportionate and flexible enforcement and will help ensure that SEPA have the right tools to change the behaviour of those who continue to perform poorly or ignore their responsibilities, and will help to tackle non-compliance at an earlier stage before it becomes entrenched.

The consultation is open until 22 October 2015 and can be accessed on the [SEPA website](#).