



Central Scotland Green Network

Declaration



We acknowledge that

We must have places that are nationally and internationally competitive if we want our communities to thrive in the future.

Our environment makes a vital contribution to our economic wellbeing, our health and our quality of life.

We need to improve our environment so that it delivers all that it can for the people who live and work in Central Scotland.

Change at the scale proposed can only take place over a long period with sustained resourcing.



We welcome

The government's commitment to the CSGN as expressed through its inclusion as a National Development in Scotland's National Planning Framework.

The CSGN concept as set out in the CSGN Vision.

The opportunity the creation of the CSGN provides to deliver our economic, social and environmental aims.

The opportunity to develop and enhance our partnerships with other Local Authorities, National Agencies, NGOs and communities in delivering CSGN ambitions.



We commit from this date to

Adhere to the CSGN principles expressed in the CSGN Vision.

Embed the CSGN in all relevant policies, strategies and plans - most notably in Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs), Locality Plans, Community Plans, development plans, the Forestry and Woodland Strategy and the Food Growing Strategy.

Deliver on green network commitments through on-the-ground projects across a variety of Council priorities including active travel, biodiversity, flood prevention and health improvement.

Develop and enhance our partnership work to realise the CSGN.

Support the work of the GCV Green Network Partnership as a regional expression of the CSGN principles of partnership working.

Deliver the objectives and actions set out in the Green Network Strategy to deliver improvements on both an individual settlement level and a larger, authority-wide, landscape-wide and cross-boundary scale via Strategic Area Action Plans for the Campsie Fells, the Glazert Valley, the River Kelvin, the Forth & Clyde Canal and Mugdock Country Park.

Ensure the Green Network is integrated into masterplans for development proposals.

Deliver the East Dunbartonshire Open Space Strategy.

Undertake our work with a particular focus on providing for the disadvantaged within our communities.

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Keith Geddes, Chair, CSGN Partnership Board

8 September 2017

Date

Scottish Ministers welcome this declaration and will work in partnership with the signatories and their representatives to support the delivery of these commitments.

