

# Community and Enterprise **Resource Plan 2017 - 18**



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### **Section One – Introduction**

I am pleased to introduce our Resource Plan for 2017-18 which sets out our objectives and priorities for the coming year. This is the main annual business planning document for the Resource and all of its employees. It reflects the council's key priorities as set out in the Council Plan 'Connect', provides an overview of the Resource's main areas of activity, summarises our service achievements in 2016-17, and sets out our plans for maintaining and improving services in 2017-18.

South Lanarkshire is home to more than 316,000 people and covers 180,000 hectares of land, stretching from close to the centre of Glasgow to near to the Scottish borders. Providing services in this large and diverse geographical area is a considerable challenge for Community and Enterprise Resources, and in 2017-18, the Resource will spend £99.202 million on delivering key services, plus a further £52.174 million on capital projects.

Our Resource comprises four service areas – Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services; Roads and Transportation Services; Fleet and Environmental Services; and Planning and Economic Development Services; and is supported by a Performance and Development Team and Support Team. The Resource employs 3,396 people who together provide a wide range of services for local communities, including:

- maintaining our road network to support safe and effective transport, and promoting active travel;
- collecting and disposing of waste and encouraging recycling;
- keeping our streets clean and maintaining and developing play parks, gardens and open spaces;
- promoting economic development, access to jobs, and delivering support for local businesses;
- managing programmes to tackle disadvantage and deprivation;
- providing Planning and Building Standard services which guide and control physical development and land use in the area;
- protecting public health through the delivery of environmental health services;
- supporting consumer support through trading standards services;
- delivering key services within schools and council offices, including cleaning, catering, receptionist, janitorial and crossing patrol services;
- providing bereavement services;
- managing the council's vehicle fleet, including: refuse collection, roads maintenance, street sweeping and passenger transport; and
- leading the council in developing and promoting sustainability.

The Resource also has a significant role to play in managing the relationship between the council and South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture (SLLC). SLLC, on behalf of the council, promotes the health and wellbeing of South Lanarkshire residents through the council's museum, libraries, arts centres, indoor and outdoor sports and leisure centres, community halls and country parks.

This Resource Plan details some of our major achievements in the above areas in the last year, listed in sections 2.1 and 4.2 and Annex two of this plan. In particular, I would like to highlight the following:

- We completed the Cathkin Relief Road (a new road aimed at relieving congestion in the Rutherglen area).
- We refurbished East Kilbride Ice Rink in line with the wider town centre development.
- We resurfaced 4.84% of our road network and installed over 15,794 LEDS as part of our LED street lighting programme; and along with Strathclyde Partnership for Transport, received a

Scottish Transport Award for our approach to road safety, traffic management and enforcement.

- We rolled out our new food and garden waste collection service to the Rutherglen, Cambuslang and Clydesdale areas.
- Through employability programmes, we assisted 2,144 people to secure employment, education or training, and we assisted 1,879 businesses with grants, loans or property advice.
- We implemented our 2016-17 Tackling Poverty Programme.
- Our street cleaning service received an Association for Public Service Excellence Most Improved Performer Award.
- 98 of our schools received the Eat Safe Award from Food Standards Scotland.
- We achieved Green Flag Awards for three of our district parks: Cambuslang Park, Strathaven Park, and Castlebank Park; and Strathavan Park received a People's Choice Award, coming first in Scotland and fourth in the UK.
- We retained the Customer Service Excellence Award in our Planning Service, Building Standards Service, and Bereavement Service.
- Our Building Standards Team worked with Trading Standards and Police Scotland as part of an operation to tackle doorstep crime, resulting in a Local Authority Building Standards Scotland Customer Focus Award.
- Both our Facilities and Grounds Services received Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents Gold Achievement Awards for their commitment to health and safety in the workplace.
- We continued to provide training to all Scottish crematoria in respect to the cremation of infants following recommendations made by the Infant Cremation Commission.

None of these achievements or awards would be possible without the commitment and efforts of our staff, and I would like to thank them for their contribution. As always, there are new challenges to face, and this Resource Plan outlines how we will develop and improve our services over the next year. Some of our priorities for the year include:

- continuing to implement the Roads Investment Programme;
- progressing the Glasgow City Region City Deal projects, including four Community Growth Area sites (at Newton, East Kilbride, Hamilton and Larkhall) and two major transport infrastructure projects in East Kilbride;
- continuing activity aimed at increasing waste recycling and reducing the council's greenhouse gas emissions;
- assisting 1,200 people into employment or training/education via our employability programmes, and managing the Tackling Poverty Programme;
- completing a new primary school community wing and synthetic pitch in Newton, and replacing Ballgreen Hall and Library with a new integrated facility within St Patrick's Primary School; and
- continuing to provide new burial ground across South Lanarkshire.

Further detail on our 2017-18 priorities is included within the action plan at section 6 of this plan and within the service plans which complement this Resource Plan (these plans are available to view on the Council intranet).

As we look forward to the challenges in the year ahead, the continued commitment and effort of all our employees remains vital in delivering the council's vision: to 'improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire'.

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## **Section Two – Context**

#### 2.0. Introduction

The challenges facing local government in Scotland continue. However, even with the ongoing financial constraints, the council continues to do everything in its power to protect and maintain vital services.

The following overview gives a brief outline of the extent of the services that we deliver. These services will be significantly impacted in the coming year by social change, legislation and policies, the council's key plans and other statutory commitments.

#### 2.1. Resource overview

Here is just some of the activity which was undertaken by Community and Enterprise Resources in 2016-17:

#### Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services

- provided 4.718 million nutritious school meals and over 96,400 community meals to Social Work clients
- managed 166,938 tonnes of waste from 149,326 households and other council areas, and recycled 83,500 tonnes of different materials, including plastics, paper, metals, and glass
- maintained almost 2,700 hectares of diverse land types and over 3,250 gardens as part of the council's care of garden scheme
- carried out 1,260 burials and 1,650 cremations
- cleaned up over 260 items of graffiti
- attended to over 1,450 arboricultural enquiries
- provided landscape design and horticultural advice service to 28 local community groups

#### **Roads and Transportation Services**

- carried out 215 carriageway improvement and 56 footway improvement schemes and resurfaced 4.84% of the council's roads network
- completed parapet and bridge strengthening works at five locations
- completed Cathkin Relief Road and progressed the design of Greenhills / Strathaven Road corridor improvements
- continued programme of street lighting improvement/renewals by installing 15,794 LEDS within street lights and replacing 4,175 lighting columns
- completed Route Action Plan and single site works at four locations across South Lanarkshire, along with various other road safety infrastructure improvements
- delivered traffic signal and pedestrian crossing maintenance / capacity improvements and new installations at seven locations
- delivered projects aimed at increasing cycling, including: the completion of NCN 74 cycle route works between Lesmahagow and Happendon and on sections of East Kilbride cycle routes

#### Fleet and Environmental Services

- managed and maintained the council's fleet of 1,741 vehicles and items of plant machinery
- transported 1,060 children and adults to council facilities each day
- procured 26 new vehicles and items of plant

- carried out just under 2,540 inspections and alternative enforcement interventions at food premises and 220 health and safety inspections and investigation visits
- acted on 5,870 enquiries relating to environmental pollution, just under 4,160 pest control requests, 393 reports of stray dogs and 3,077 noise complaints, and conducted 2,439 litter and dog fouling patrols
- provided advice and assistance in relation to just over 4,030 trading standards related complaints and obtained £286,000 of redress for local consumers in terms of faulty goods and services

#### Planning and Economic Development

- processed 4,182 planning and building warrant applications, representing several hundred million pounds of investment
- dealt with ten planning appeals
- 208 planning enforcement cases were investigated
- through employability programmes, 2,144 people successfully secured employment or commenced education or training
- 1,879 businesses were assisted via grants, loans or property advice, generating £15.69 million in sales and creating or sustaining 997 jobs
- £8.13 million external funding support was secured from Scottish Government and Lottery sources

The Resource also completed the refurbishment of East Kilbride Ice Rink.

Additional performance information in relation to all of the above services is provided at 4.2 and in Annex two of this Resource Plan.

#### 2.2. Social change, legislation and policies

#### 2.2.1. Glasgow City Region City Deal

A City Deal worth £1.13 billion for the Glasgow City Region was agreed in July 2014. The City Deal is being used to fund major infrastructure projects, drive innovation and growth, and address challenges in the local labour market. Community and Enterprise Resources' Roads and Transportation Service has been leading the delivery of three major transportation projects within the City Deal which are being undertaken to boost South Lanarkshire's access to the rest of Scotland. Cathkin Relief Road (£22 million) in Rutherglen/Cambuslang is now complete and open, with the bulk of the other projects in East Kilbride (Greenhills Road/A726 and Stewartfield Way - £23 million and £62 million respectively) taking place between 2017 and 2024.

A further City Deal project, the Community Growth Areas (£62 million), is being led by our Planning and Economic Development Service and seeks to promote private sector house building in four key locations within South Lanarkshire: Newton, East Kilbride, Hamilton and Larkhall. The Service will also seek to ensure the maximum economic and community benefits are secured and will lead discussion on a number of labour market and business innovation measures being progressed under the banner of City Deal.

#### 2.2.2. Economic regeneration and tackling poverty

Through the Sustainable Economic Growth Board, the council, together with its community planning partners, is reaffirming its commitment to generating improvements in South Lanarkshire's economy for the benefit of its businesses, communities and residents alike. To this end, Community and Enterprise Resources, through the work of Planning and Economic Development Services, will continue to provide support to businesses in 2017-18. Activity will

be focused on innovation and growth and ensuring business support activities are targeted to achieve the best outcomes.

In addition to supporting the above Sustainable Economic Growth Board, the Service also leads partnership work to tackle poverty and inequality via the Tackling Poverty and Inequalities Board. This work supports a range of activities to tackle the causes and effects of poverty, with the focus on early intervention and prevention; early years; health improvement; employability; and financial inclusion/welfare reform.

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation has highlighted that there has been little shift in the relative position of South Lanarkshire Council's most deprived communities. Tackling local inequalities therefore continues to be a key challenge and priority. Welfare Reform will continue to present significant challenges in the period 2017-22 to our residents and to the council. There is strong evidence to suggest that the roll out of Universal Credit in South Lanarkshire will impact significantly on levels of poverty, and in particular, child poverty. A communication plan is in place to ensure we are effectively communicating the key messages linked to welfare reform to staff, elected members, the public and partners. Through the council's Corporate Welfare Reform group, the Resource's Planning and Economic Development Service also plays a key role in the development and delivery of the Welfare Reform Risk Register and Welfare Reform Action Plan which ensure we are aware of, and are responding to, the key risks associated with these changes.

#### 2.2.3. Statutory requirements

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New and revised legislation will impact on the work of the Resource in 2017-18. This includes:

Statutory requirements – Community and Enterprise Resources				
Legislative area	Impact			
The Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009	The Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 places duties on the entire Scottish public sector to contribute to the delivery of national greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.			
	For South Lanarkshire Council, this includes: taking action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the delivery of our own services, and using council powers and influence to reduce emissions in the South Lanarkshire area in general through, for example, the delivery of planning, roads and transportation and waste management services (all Community and Enterprise Resources services).			
	The Act also requires all local authorities and other major players to report on what is being done to comply with climate change duties and requires the council to consider taking action to prepare for the <i>impact</i> of future climate change. Community and Enterprise Resources will take a lead role in engaging community planning partners in joint action on climate change.			
Zero Waste Strategy and the Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012	The Scottish Government's Zero Waste Plan aims to promote the recovery and reuse of resources in waste. The strategy sets challenging targets for the recycling and composting of domestic waste by local authorities (60% by 2020 and 70% by 2025). These targets should be achieved alongside the Scottish Government's forthcoming ban on the land-filling of municipal biodegradable waste. Community and Enterprise Resources' Waste Service has			

Statutory requirements – Community and Enterprise Resources			
Legislative area	Impact		
Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015	<ul> <li>already completed the roll out of new recycling services to help achieve these targets, and in 2017-18 will review service delivery and aim to further improve the quality and quantity of recycling material collected.</li> <li>The Scottish Government introduced this Act which contains diverse proposals with potential implications for Community and Enterprise Resources. As well as permitting the Scottish Government to set national outcomes relating to functions carried out by local authorities, the Act includes new ways for community planning. This legislation could potentially impact on assets owned /managed by South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture and Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services.</li> </ul>		
Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009	<ul> <li>Flood Risk Management Strategies published by SEPA for all 14 Local Plan Districts within Scotland set the national direction of future flood risk management, helping to target investment and coordinate actions across public bodies.</li> <li>Local Flood Risk Management Plans (LFRMPs), which were developed in parallel with the Strategies, were published by local authorities in June 2016. These LFRMPs provide local detail on the funding and delivery timetable for actions in 2016-21, and will be updated every six years. As the council is a Responsible Authority under the Flood Risk Management Act, Community and Enterprise Resources' Roads and Transportation Services continue to be heavily involved in undertaking relevant actions set out within two of these LFRMPs and in the development of the next phase of Strategies and LFRMPs.</li> </ul>		
Planning Review	New legislation will be introduced in 2017 aimed at improving and modernising the Scottish planning system. It will include proposals for reconfiguring the development plan system, setting out proposals for using the planning system to assist in the delivery of infrastructure, changes to the development management system aimed at improving its efficiency and transparency, new methods of community engagement, and enhancing the role of IT in the delivery of the planning system. This will require the Council's existing processes and procedures to be reviewed and updated to ensure they accord with the new legislation.		
General Data Protection Regulation	Work will be required in implementing the General Data Protection Regulation.		

Specific actions to address these legislative impacts are detailed in Section 6 (Action Plan) of the Resource Plan. Legal Services will assist all Resources to meet the demands of new and changing legislation.

# 2.3. The Council Plan, the Community Plan, and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)

- 2.3.1. Community planning is the process through which public services come together to positively change local situations. The Community Planning Partnership (CPP) is committed to improving the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire by working together and with communities to design and deliver better services. Through the 2015 Community Empowerment Act, the Scottish Parliament gave a statutory purpose, for the first time, to community planning: to focus on improving outcomes and tackling inequalities in outcomes. This includes those communities (covering areas and/or groups of individuals) experiencing the poorest outcomes.
- 2.3.2. The legislation calls for the Community Planning Partners to develop a South Lanarkshire Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP) which covers the whole council area, setting out the local outcomes that the partners want to improve. The requirement is for a LOIP that demonstrates a clear, evidence-based, robust and strong <u>understanding of local needs</u>, <u>circumstances and aspirations</u> and how these can vary for different places and population groups in South Lanarkshire or between South Lanarkshire and Scotland as a whole.

The LOIP is seen as a key element in the delivery of public service reform at local level. It will provide a shared vision and focus and binds the public sector to making a decisive improvement on local outcomes. This can involve developing new and different ways of working, behaviour and performance under strong <u>governance</u>, <u>accountability</u>, and operating arrangements.

The strategic themes of the CPP and the LOIP are clearly aligned to the Ambitions in the Council Plan, Connect 2017-22, as shown below.

Partnership strategic theme	Connect Ambition	
Community safety and crime	Make communities safer, stronger and sustainable	
Health and wellbeing	Improve health, care and wellbeing	
Sustainable economic growth	Promote economic growth and tackle disadvantage	
Tackling poverty and deprivation	Promote economic growth and tackle disadvantage	
Children and young people	Get it right for children and young people	

The Council Plan is considered in more detail in Section 3.

#### 2.4. Other commitments

#### 2.4.1. Partnership working

Community and Enterprise Resources has significant responsibilities when working in partnership with others, and the role played by partnerships in shaping and delivering services is increasingly important. These partnerships are identified and reviewed within the Resource's Partnership Risk Register on an annual basis. Here are just some of them:

- City Region City
   Deal
- Glasgow & Clyde Valley Strategic Development Plan Joint Committee
- New Lanark
   Partnership
- Clyde Gateway
   Partnership
- Lanarkshire Area
   Tourism
- Business Gateway
- University of West
   of Scotland
- Road Safety West of Scotland
- Flood Risk Management Plan Districts
- Sustainability
   Partnership
- Waste Partnership
- Friends' organisations for local nature sites
- Public Health Partnership
- Police Scotland Trading Standards Attachment

- East Kilbride Task Force
- Supplier Development Programme
- Community Regeneration Partnership

#### 2.4.2. Service reviews

West of Scotland
 Loan Fund

- Rural Partnership
- Scottish Chief
   Officers of
   Transportation
- South Lanarkshire Greenspace Partnership
- South Lanarkshire
   Outdoor Access
   Forum
- Biodiversity
   Partnership
- Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership
- Strathclyde
   Partnership for
   Transport

During 2016-17, efficiency reviews of the following services were undertaken (many are still underway):

- Finance (all Resources)
- Employability
- Regeneration (all Resources)
- Overtime (all Resources)
- Working patterns
- Advice and voluntary sector (all Resources)
- Fleet

- Facilities Management
- South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture
- Contracts (all Resources)
- Planning and Building Standards
- Roads and Transportation
- Policy and Strategy (all Resources)
- Business Administration (all Resources)
- Waste Management

The recommendations, action plans and changes to service delivery from these service reviews will be introduced during 2017-18.

Further service efficiency reviews, including Ground Services, will continue to be examined in the coming year.

#### 2.4.3. Equality and diversity

Equality is an integral part of achieving best value and is an underpinning value of the council's vision to improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire. The council is committed to: eliminating discrimination, harassment and victimisation; promoting equality of opportunity; and fostering good relations in all that it does. In doing so, it will reduce disadvantage and deprivation arising from its own activities and will work with others to do so in the South Lanarkshire area.

Community and Enterprise Resources has a key role to play in delivering the council's equality outcomes, and will take forward the following key actions:

- Increase employability within the community, and support vulnerable groups to make the transition into employment.
- Ensure the transport provision reflects the needs of the community and encourage active travel.
- Monitor the parking requirements for disabled people on an ongoing basis to ensure individuals can participate in day to day life.
- Take account of older and disabled people's needs when street-scaping throughout South Lanarkshire's shopping centres to ensure they are accessible.
- Ensure inclusive design is adhered to when designing buildings in South Lanarkshire and that vulnerable groups are consulted and involved regarding changes to buildings in their community.

#### 2.4.4. Sustainable development

Sustainable development is an integral part of best value and is also a priority for the council. The council has a statutory requirement under the Public Sector Climate Change Duties to: reduce carbon emissions arising from its own activities and to work with others to reduce those of the South Lanarkshire area in general; adapt to current and future changes in climate to ensure continued service delivery; and promote the sustainable development of the council and our local communities. The council also has a statutory requirement under the Biodiversity Duty to further the conservation of biodiversity.

Community and Enterprise Resources has a key role to play in delivering aspects of the council's Sustainable Development Strategy; Climate Change Duties Improvement Action Plan; and the Biodiversity Implementation Plan, both in co-ordinating activity around these areas for the council as a whole, and in delivering particular aspects of the aforementioned strategy and plans, including: carbon management, biodiversity and countryside services, environmental protection, waste management, development planning, transportation, and supporting community regeneration.

#### 2.4.5. Information governance

Community and Enterprise Resources recognises that good information governance is necessary for the Resource and the council to carry out its functions efficiently and effectively.

The Information Governance Board, which has representation from all Resources, oversees the council's information management activities, driving forward improvements and developing policies, procedures and guidance. The framework for information governance is provided by the Information Strategy 2014-17. This strategy outlines a number of key actions which will ensure that all Resources will progress improvement in the management of information throughout the council.

The council's first Records Management Plan was submitted to the Keeper of the Records at the National Records of Scotland in December 2016. This was a statutory requirement of the Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011.

Improvement actions from the National Records of Scotland assessment of the Record Management Plan will be an integral part of the redevelopment of the council's Information Strategy, which will be reviewed in 2017.

#### 2.4.6. Top risks

To successfully manage risk, council and resource plan objectives must inform the council's risk management arrangements. The council reviews its top risks each year and common themes are identified.

#### The top risks identified for the council are:

- Reduction in council funding, resulting in difficulties maintaining front line services
- Potential liability arising from claims of historic abuse
- Failure to maintain the required pupil/teacher ratio
- Information management not subject to adequate control
- Fraud, theft, organised crime and cyber attacks
- Failure to achieve results and demonstrate continuous improvement, through leadership, good governance and organisational effectiveness
- Failure to work with key partners to achieve the outcomes of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan
- The council is not sufficiently prepared to deliver the Integration Joint Board Strategic directions set out in the Strategic Commissioning Plan 2016-19
- Increasing levels of adverse weather

In the coming year, Community and Enterprise Resources will take forward all reasonable necessary actions, where appropriate, to mitigate or reduce the Resource's exposure to these key risks.

#### 2.4.7. Benchmarking

Best value, a concept first introduced into the public sector through the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2003, seeks to drive continuous improvement in public service delivery. Best value has entered a new era which is intended to bring about more proportionate and risk-based external scrutiny of councils by national inspection bodies; placing greater emphasis on the use of self-assessment, benchmarking and public performance reporting to promote continuous improvement.

With the support of the Accounts Commission, the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE) has been working with the Improvement Service and has established a Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) and indicators for council services in Scotland.

The move away from league tables to benchmarking is to enable comparisons to be made on spending and performance between similar council groups (these are called family groups) and to share areas of good practice and innovative ideas, with a long term aim to improve performance.

The LGBF indicators are included in this Resource Plan and, along with many other indicators and measures, will be monitored throughout the year. Performance against these indicators can be found in our <u>Public Performance Reports</u>.

The results for all Scottish councils and the family groups can be found on the online tool <u>mylocalcouncil</u>.

#### 2.4.8. External regulations and inspection

Community and Enterprise Resources will be subject to further requirements stemming from legislation and government policy that influence service delivery. The Best Value framework and the Shared Risk Assessment continue to focus on overall council efficiency, self-assessment, performance and improvement.

#### 2.4.9. Digital and ICT Strategy

The council's Digital and ICT strategy sets out how South Lanarkshire Council will use new technologies to help deliver its vision 'to improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire'. It describes how services will be delivered as 'Digital First' and how we will work with partners, service users and suppliers to create the data infrastructure to support digital services. The strategy also sets out the technical foundations necessary to realise the council's digital vision. This includes ensuring that appropriate and sustainable computer systems, networks, ICT skills, software and data services are in place to support the transformation to a Citizen Centric and Digital Council both in the short term and in the years beyond.

#### Section Three - The Council Plan - Connect

#### 3.0. The Council Plan – Connect

The council's vision to 'improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire' remains at the heart of the Council Plan and along with our values, influences everything that we do.

Our five ambitions circle our vision and values, linking our 11 objectives in the outer ring to the wider work in our communities and with our other public partners.

The wheel diagram below is designed to show how our six core values, five ambitions and 11 objectives interact with one another. For example, success in giving our children a better start in life links to early learning, their wellbeing, improvement in achievement and attainment and developing their skills for learning, life and work. This will lead to better prospects and improve life chances for young people and the economy as a whole.



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#### Our Vision

Improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire

#### Our Values

Focused on people and their needs Working with and respecting others

Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Ambitious, self aware and improving core onove heating Fair, open and sustainable Get it right for people children and young people Excellent employer

young people and adults

iomote economic growth and

#### 3.1. Resource Objectives

Community and Enterprise Resources has established the following Resource objectives to support the delivery of Connect objectives in 2017-18.

#### 3.1.1. Connect objective – Deliver better health and social care outcomes for all By working towards this objective, the council aims to assist individuals and communities to achieve good health and wellbeing.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objective:

• provide opportunities for all school children to access nutritious school meals

The main action in this area is to provide 4.8 million nutritious school meals to South Lanarkshire Council pupils, including the provision of free school meals for primary 1-3 pupils.

#### 3.1.2. Connect objective – Improve the availability, quality, and access of housing

By working towards this objective, the council aims to ensure that housing needs will be met, with good quality, affordable and energy efficient homes.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objective:

 ensure an adequate supply of housing, industry and business land and green space is maintained

The main action in this area is to monitor the Local Development Plan policies to ensure at least a five year supply of housing land is maintained, as well as an adequate supply of land for business and green space.

## 3.1.3. Connect objective – Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel

By working towards this objective, the council aims to ensure that South Lanarkshire's road and public transport network enables the flow of people, goods and services.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objectives:

- implement the Roads Investment Programme
- provide road and transportation infrastructure improvements to support new developments and to encourage greater use of public transport
- encourage active travel and recreational access to the outdoors

The main actions in this area include: implementing the Roads Investment Programme, delivering two transport infrastructure projects in East Kilbride as part of the City Deal, extending the network of cycle routes, upgrading, maintaining and promoting path networks, and extending the Clyde Gateway.

## 3.1.4. Connect objective – Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

By working towards this objective, the council aims for South Lanarkshire to be an environmentally responsible, clean, attractive and well-designed place to live, work and play. To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objectives:

- provide Planning and Building Standards services which guide and control physical development and land use in the area
- sustain the quality of our town and neighbourhood centres
- work with developers and public and private sector partners to deliver the Community Growth Areas City Deal project
- reduce the number of road casualties through road safety improvements and initiatives
- provide consumer protection through the work of our Consumer Advice and Trading Standards Service
- improve the quality of streets, parks and other public areas
- create high quality cemeteries and provide sustainable options for burial
- provide services which help local communities to become more sustainable
- improve the council's environmental performance and reduce its greenhouse gas emissions
- safeguard health through an effective environmental services regulation and enforcement service
- regenerate and bring back into use vacant and derelict and contaminated land
- protect biodiversity and enhance green space in South Lanarkshire

The main actions in this area include: progressing the Community Growth Area sites within the City Deal project, maintaining street cleanliness and grounds, reducing waste and increasing recycling, improving urban green spaces, undertaking regulatory activity designed to protect consumers, providing a school crossing patrol service, delivering road safety improvements aimed at reducing road accidents, and engaging community planning partners in joint action on climate change.

## 3.1.5. Connect objective – Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth

By working towards this objective, the council aims to create the right environment for business growth to help people find employment and communities to thrive.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objectives:

- implement the South Lanarkshire Economic Strategy and support the development and implementation of the Glasgow City Region Economic Strategy and City Deal
- support unemployed people into jobs, training or further education and prioritise efforts to support young people into the job market
- support local businesses through the delivery of business support programmes
- develop the area's tourism potential
- implement the Lanarkshire Leader Rural Development Strategy
- support key voluntary organisations and help to develop the social economy

The main actions in this area will include: implementing the South Lanarkshire Economic Strategy, developing and progressing employability services, delivering services to businesses, implementing the Tourism Strategy, and improving volunteering opportunities.

## 3.1.6. Connect objective – Support our communities by tackling disadvantage and deprivation and supporting aspiration

By working towards this objective, the council aims to improve the quality of life in the most deprived neighbourhoods and communities in South Lanarkshire.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objective:

 lead partnership approaches to tackling the causes and effects of poverty and inequality

The main actions in this area include contributing to the preparation of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (see 2.3.2.) and managing the Tackling Poverty Programme.

#### 3.1.7. Connect objective – Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities

By working towards this objective, the council aims to promote participation in cultural activities and support healthier lifestyles.

To support the delivery of this Connect objective, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objectives:

- provide quality leisure facilities and develop integrated community facilities within new primary schools
- maintain attendances at SLLC facilities by actively promoting the facilities to the local community and visitors to the area

The main actions in this area include upgrading our community facilities and maximising the number of individuals engaging in cultural activities and participating in physical activity at our leisure facilities.

#### 3.1.8. Delivering the Plan and achieving Best Value

To support the delivery of the Council Plan and achieve Best Value, Community and Enterprise Resources has developed the following Resource objectives which govern how we carry out our business and deliver all our services:

- provide sound financial stewardship for the council
- deliver and communicate the Council Plan and ensure high standards of governance
- develop improvement activity and promote scrutiny
- promote equality and the wellbeing of staff
- improve the skills, flexibility and capacity of the workforce
- other actions in support of delivering the Plan and achieving Best Value

The main actions in this area include: carrying out self-assessment and benchmarking activity, dealing with information requests, monitoring key personnel policies, and co-ordinating the Resource's IT projects.

#### **Section Four – Performance and results**

#### 4.0. Introduction

In this section we report our key performance and results for the financial year just ended 2016-17.

#### 4.1. Performance against Resource Plan objectives 2016-17

The Community and Enterprise Resources' Resource Plan for 2016-17 had 170 measures set against 13 of the council objectives. Performance against these measures was as follows:

Council objective	Green	Amber	Red	Report later	Total
Improve road network and influence improvements in public transport	11			5	16
Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for growth, improving skills and employability	32			4	36
Tackle disadvantage and deprivation	3				3
Develop a sustainable council and communities	11	3		2	16
Improve the quality of the physical environment	11	3	1	1	16
Improve community safety	8				8
Improve and maintain health and increase physical activity	12	4	1		17
Promote participation in cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities	2	2	2		6
Strengthen partnership working, community leadership ad engagement	6			8	14
Provide vision and strategic direction	2			1	3
Promote performance management and improvement	11			10	21
Embed governance and accountability	6			1	7
Achieve efficient and effective use of resources	6			1	7
Total	121	12	4	33	170
%	71.2%	7.1%	2.3%	19.4%	100%

Key to performance monitoring system:

Green	The timescale or target has been met as per expectations		
Amber	There has been minor slippage against timescale or minor shortfall against target		
Red	There has been major slippage against timescale or major shortfall against target		
Report later	For some measures, the statistics are not yet available to allow us to say whether the target has been reached or not. These will be reported when available		

**4.2.** Key achievements The following table highlights achievements during the financial year 2016-17.

Council objective: Improve road network and influence improvements in public transport				
Resource objective	Achievement			
Implement the Roads Investment Programme for road and footway improvements	Continued to implement the Roads Investment Programme, with 215 carriageway schemes and 56 footway schemes undertaken during the year, resulting in 4.84% of the road network being resurfaced during this period.			
Council objective: Supp growth, improving skill	bort the local economy by providing the right conditions for s and employability			
Resource objective	Achievement			
Support the Glasgow and Clyde Valley City Deal in the delivery of	Completed the Cathkin Relief Road (a brand new road aimed at relieving congestion in the Rutherglen area) – opened on 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2017.			
infrastructure, employability and business competitive projects	Progressed Glasgow City Region City Deal Community Growth Area projects, with Outline Business Cases approved by the City Region Cabinet for the Hamilton and Larkhall areas.			
Support local businesses through development and delivery of business support programmes	Assisted 1,879 businesses with grants, loans or property advice during the year, helping to generate £15.69 million in sales and creating or sustaining 997 jobs.			
Deliver support to unemployed, particularly young people, to improve skills, employability ad access to jobs	Through our employability programmes, helped 2,144 people secure employment or commence education/training. In the calendar year 2016, the South Lanarkshire employment rate for the 16-64 age group was 75.2% - 2.3% above the Scottish average (72.9%).			
Council objective: Tack	Council objective: Tackle disadvantage and deprivation			
Resource objective	Achievement			
Oversee and monitor the implementation of the Tackling Poverty Programme	Implemented the 2016-17 Tackling Poverty Programme.			

Council objective: Develop a sustainable council and communities				
Resource objective	Achievement			
Provide services and infrastructure which help local communities to become more sustainable	Completed the roll out of new food and garden waste collection services across South Lanarkshire, with the service rolled out to Rutherglen / Cambuslang and Clydesdale. In 2016-17, the Council achieved a household waste recycling rate of 53.1% (against the annual target of 50%).			
Council objective: Impr	ove the quality of the physical environment			
Resource objective	Achievement			
Improve the cleanliness of streets, parks and other public areas and take preventative and enforcement action against environmental crimes and incivilities	Achieved a high independently assessed score for grounds maintenance - 74, against annual target score of 70. Published 2015-16 street cleanliness scores show 98% of our streets to be of an 'acceptable' standard, placing us third of 32 local authorities in Scotland.			
Council objective: Impr	ove community safety			
Resource objective	Achievement			
Reduce the number of road casualties through road safety and other infrastructure improvements and initiatives	Continued the programme of street lighting improvements, installing 4,175 lighting columns and commencing the second phase of the LED improvement programme - 15,794 LED luminaires were installed this financial year.			
Council objective: Improve and maintain health and increase physical activity				
Resource objective	Achievement			
Improve the quality and number of opportunities for individuals to develop a healthy and active lifestyle	Refurbished East Kilbride Ice Rink in line with the wider town centre development			
Council objective: Pron facilities to support cor	note participation in cultural activities and provide quality mmunities			
Resource objective	Achievement			
Improve facilities for arts and cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities	0.56 million visitors attended South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture cultural venues, exceeding the annual target by 2.2%.			
Council objective: Strengthen partnership working, community leadership and				
engagement Resource objective	Achievement			
Strengthen partnership working, community leadership and engagement	Achieved high satisfaction results in customer surveys for Environmental Health service (85%), Consumer Advice and Trading Standards service (100%), the Cleaning and Catering service (98%), the Bereavement service (95%), and South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture facilities (96%).			

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Resource objective	Achievement
Promote performance management and	Customer Service Excellence Awards were retained by the Bereavement Service, the Planning Service and the Building
improvement	Standards Service.

Additional achievements and performance information are listed in Annex two of this plan.

**4.3.** Key measures not achieved Four measures have been classified as 'red' (there has been major slippage against timescale or shortfall against target) against the 2016-17 Resource Plan. Details are as follows:

Council objective: Improve the quality of the physical environment					
<b>Resource objective:</b> Assess and determine development proposals in line with Planning and Building Standards legislation and the council's Local Development Plans					
Action	Measure	Progress	Management action, responsibility, deadline		
Manage processing of planning applications to ensure needs of applicants and the community are met	70% of major planning applications determined within four months	In 2016-17, 40% of major applications were determined within four months.	These figures are an improvement on the previous two years, when 25% and 23.8% of major applications were determined within four months. Alternative planning indicators are being included within next year's Resource Plan in line with indicator results reported to Scottish Government - includes 'average processing time for major planning applications' and 'percentage approval rate' (will provide more rounded picture of SLC's planning performance). Head of Planning and Economic Development		

**Council objective:** Promote participation in cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities

**Resource objective:** Improve facilities for arts and cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities

Action	Measure	Progress	Management action,
			responsibility, deadline
Achieve target number of attendances at museums	Achieve target number of visits to/usages of council funded or part-funded museums per 1,000 population (762)	The number of visits to/usages of council funded or part-funded museums in 2016-17 per 1,000 population (593.82) is 20% below the annual target.	Attendances at museums have declined compared to the previous year due to the closure of the David Livingstone (DL) Museum for refurbishment. Bad weather and improved recording methods at Chatelherault Museum also contributed to the lower number compared to the previous year.
	Achieve target number of those visits that were in person per 1,000 population (597)	The number of those visits which were in person per 1,000 population in 2016-17 (454.4) was 22% below the annual target	Targets for 2017-18 have been reviewed to take cognisance of the closure of the DL Museum. General Manager SLLC

Council objective: Improve and maintain health and increase physical activity					
<b>Resource objective:</b> Improve the quality and number of opportunities for individuals to develop a healthy and active lifestyle					
Action	Measure	Progress	Management action, responsibility, deadline		
Maximise the number of attendances at leisure facilities	Maintain number of attendances per 1,000 population for other indoor sports and leisure facilities, excluding pools in a combined complex (4,827)	The number of attendances per 1,000 population for other indoor sports and leisure facilities in 2016- 17 (4,400) is 7.8% lower than the previous year, due to a continued fall in gym memberships, the closure of Burnhill Recreation Centre, and the closure of EK Ice Rink for eight months of the year.	<ul> <li>An increase in 2017-18 attendances at indoor sport and leisure facilities is anticipated for a number of reasons:</li> <li>more targeted marketing aimed at increasing fitness memberships;</li> <li>the growing ACE junior membership; and</li> <li>the reopening of East Kilbride Ice Rink in December 2016.</li> <li>General Manager SLLC</li> </ul>		

#### 4.4. Benchmarking

Community and Enterprise Resources benchmarks its performance across 27 Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) indicators. The Improvement Service

recently published the 2015-16 LGBF results (with the 2016-17 results due at the end of 2017).

In 2015-16, the Resource's performance was higher than the Scottish average for 16 of these indicators and below the Scottish average for 11 of the indicators. The following tables show two areas where our performance was above the Scottish average and in the top quartile of the 32 local authorities, and two areas where our performance is below the Scottish average and in the fourth quartile.

(Domestic Noise) Average time (hours) between time of complaint and attendance on site, for those requiring attendance on site						
Year 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16						
SLC	0.8 hours	0.5 hours	0.51 hours			
Scotland 80.7 hours 58.9 hours 70.3 hours						

In 2015-16, we responded to domestic noise complaints within an average timescale of half an hour – the same as the previous year and within our two hour target. This response time was also substantially lower than the Scottish average figure of 70.3 hours (70 hours and 18 minutes). The reason for this is the nature and scope of the service provided by our Environmental Health team: we respond to noise complaints seven days per week until 3.00 am. Not all Scottish councils provide this level of service which impacts on their response time in dealing with noise complaints.

Cleanliness score						
Year 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16						
SLC	99%	98%	98%			
Scotland 96% 94% 93%						

In 2015-16, our street cleanliness survey scores remained the same as the previous year and were higher than the Scottish average. These scores are based on a series of both local and independent inspections of a sample of streets and other relevant land held in council ownership. 98% of streets were found to be of an acceptable standard placing us 3<sup>rd</sup> of 32 local authorities in Scotland.

Percentage of procurement spend on local small/medium enterprises							
Year	Year2013-142014-152015-16						
SLC	9.4%	11%	11.9%				
Scotland	19.6%	19.6%	19.7%				

The percentage of procurement spend on small/medium enterprises relates to the value of council contracts and services which are awarded to small and medium sized businesses in South Lanarkshire. In 2015-16, this was higher than in the previous year; although still lower than the Scottish average. It remains a council objective to increase local procurement spend to match the Scottish average, and there are early signs that performance in this area is improving.

Cost of parks and open spaces per 1,000 of the population					
Year 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16					
SLC	£31,498	£32,458	£32,834		
Scotland £23,296 £23,406 £21,794					

South Lanarkshire Council's cost of parks and open spaces were higher than the previous year and higher than the Scottish average figure. The increase in costs from 2014-15 to 2015-16 can be explained by additional capital works, including improvements to cemetery infrastructure, upgrade to hard and soft landscaping within sheltered housing complexes, and the rebuild of a play area. These additional projects resulted in increased expenditure costs. Higher costs can also be explained by the range of services provided in South Lanarkshire across a broad spectrum of geographical landscapes and including a number of services which are provided more frequently than by other local authorities. Changes in service delivery implemented in 2016-17 should lead to a reduction in our cost of parks and open spaces going forward.

A comprehensive list of the council's benchmarking indicators and our performance in relation to these is available to view in the following <u>Local Government Benchmarking</u> <u>Framework Report</u>. You will also find further performance information on the <u>performance pages</u> of the council website, including: South Lanarkshire Council's Annual Performance Report; Public Performance Reports; and six monthly progress reports on the Connect objectives.

#### 4.5. Customer views

The council conducted its latest South Lanarkshire Household Survey in spring 2014. Feedback from residents was generally positive. 84% of those who responded were satisfied with the overall service provided by the council. Residents were asked to assess the 'general service' provided by the council, key 'council services', and recommend areas for improvement.

The Resource also has in place a wide ranging continuous and periodic survey programme covering its services, which provides further insight into particular service processes and is used to identify areas of satisfaction and areas for improvement.

Survey activity	2014-15 Overall satisfaction with service	2015-16 Overall satisfaction with service	2016-17 Overall satisfaction with service
Building Standards	95%	85%	92%
Planning	100%	93%	90%
South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture facilities	96%	96%	96%
Bereavement	n/a	85%	95%
Cleaning and catering	98.9%	96.8%	98%
Consumer Advice and Trading Standards	86%	86%	100%
Environmental Health	81%	89.3%	85%

Community and Enterprise Resources will take forward all reasonable actions, where appropriate, to improve resident satisfaction with the services that we deliver. The

actions being progressed can be found in the action plan at section 6. Our next Residents' Household Survey will be in 2017.

#### 4.6. Areas for improvement

Community and Enterprise Resources is committed to continuous improvement. As part of this process, we monitor our performance, participate in benchmarking activities, and acknowledge the results of consultations and feedback from complaints. In 2017-18, we will use this information to develop and improve the services we provide. Specific areas for improvement are mentioned in this section under 'Key measures not achieved' and 'Benchmarking', with the remainder addressed within the action plan in section 6.

### Section Five – Resourcing the plan

#### 5.0. Introduction

In this section we consider the resources needed to implement our plan, including funding and staffing.

#### 5.1. Revenue and capital resources 2017-18

The council's medium-term Financial Strategy, approved by elected members in June 2015, provides details on the funding assumptions for the years 2017-18 and 2018-19. This strategy details the council's proposals for managing its finances and also the principles and assumptions used in preparing the revenue budgets.

Following on from this, an updated strategy for 2017-18 was approved by elected members on 6 July 2016, which updated the assumptions specifically for that year. The final budget position for the year 2017-18 was reported to members on 16 February 2017.

The council also has a longer-term strategy covering 2019-20 to 2025-26 which identifies issues likely to impact on the budget as we move into this period.

A new three year Capital Programme covering the three years from 2017-18 to 2019-20 was approved by the council on 16 February 2017. This confirms the capital spending plans and funding for the three year period.

#### 5.2. Revenue budget 2017-18

The Resource has a net revenue budget of £99.202 million for 2017-18. The table below allocates this budget across the services:

Net budget by service	2017-18	
Detail	£ million	%
Facilities, Waste, and Grounds	41.030	41
Roads and Transportation	31.606	32
Planning and Economic Development	4.559	5
Fleet and Environmental	3.330	3
South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Ltd 18.677		19
Total	99.202*	100.0

\*This figure excludes non controllable income and expenditure (depreciation and Corporate and Democratic Core).

#### 5.3. Capital budget 2017-18

The following capital budget is allocated to the Resource for 2017-18:

Capital Programme 2017-18		
Project	£ million	
Roads and Transportation	35.636	
Planning and Economic Development	12.922	
Facilities, Waste, and Ground	3.172	
South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Ltd	0.444	
Total	52.174*	

\*These figures do not include any previous year slippage, previously approved adjustments, or 2016/17 carry forward. The figures are reflective of the Approved Programme for 2017/18 for Community and Enterprise Resources, which is part of the overall programme approved for the full Council of £112.839m.

#### 5.4. Resource employees

Community and Enterprise Resources has 3,396 employees in total, as at the end of March 2017: 3,326 employees within four services and 70 employees within two teams which support the Resource (Performance and Development Team and Support Team). The number of employees by service is as follows:

Service	Number of employees
Facilities, Waste, and Grounds	2,617
Roads and Transportation	336
Fleet and Environmental	263
Planning and Economic Development	110
Total	3,326

We support these employees to deliver their duties through a range of policies including supervision, personal appraisal and a robust training framework and we provide a range of preventative and early intervention strategies to maximise attendance. We recognise the importance of work life balance in today's society and offer a number of family friendly and flexible working initiatives.

## **Section Six – Action Plan**

#### 6.0. Resource actions for 2017-18

This Action Plan identifies the Resource objectives and associated actions for 2017-18. The lead officer responsible for each action and the related measures is identified. Connect objectives are listed in the order in which they appear in the Council Plan progress reports. The reference numbers link directly to the Connect next steps which are reported against the Council Plan at quarter 2 and quarter 4 each year, and the links show where the actions and measures tie into other strategies, plans and frameworks.

Key to Links:	
Connect – The Council Plan – Connect 2017-22	CSS – Community Safety Strategy
SDS – Sustainable Development	ASBS – Anti-social Behaviour Strategy
Strategy	
BDIP – Biodiversity Duty	LTS – Local Transport Strategy
Implementation Plan	
LGBF– Local Government	ADM – All Directors Measure
Benchmarking Framework	

#### Connect objective: Deliver better health and social care outcomes for all

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
1. Continue to provide nutritious	Level of paid primary school meals in 2017-18 sustained at 2016-17 level	Connect 3.6	Head of Facilities, Waste and
school meals to South Lanarkshire	Level of paid secondary school meals in 2017-18 sustained at 2016-17 level	Connect 3.6	Grounds Services
Council pupils	Sustain uptake of 75% in P1- P3 school lunches		

Re	Connect objective: Improve the availability, quality and access of housing Resource objective: Ensure an adequate supply of housing, industry and business land and green space is maintained				
-	tion	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
2.	Monitor Local Development Plan policies for supply of housing, industry and business land and green space	Local Development Plan policies monitored during 2017-18 to ensure: at least five year supply of housing land is maintained; an adequate supply of land is available for work and business activity; and an adequate supply of land is available for green space in the main urban communities of South Lanarkshire	Connect 4.11	Head of Planning and Economic Development	

Connect objective: Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel Resource objective: Implement the Roads Investment Programme

Action		Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
under	nue to rtake road ootway	4.3% of the road network resurfaced by March 2018	Connect 5.1 LTS	Head of Roads and Transportation
impro	ovements	165 carriageway schemes and 10 footway schemes completed during 2017-18	Connect 5.1 LTS	Services
		Percentage of A class roads that should be considered for maintenance treatment	LGBF	
		Percentage of B class roads that should be considered for maintenance treatment	LGBF	
		Percentage of C class roads that should be considered for maintenance treatment Percentage of U class roads that should	LGBF	
		be considered for maintenance treatment Maintain or reduce the percentage of our	Connect	
		road network that requires maintenance treatment (e.g. red category)	5.1 LTS	
		Cost of maintenance (expenditure) per kilometre of road	LGBF	
under check and ir priorit maint progra	tenance amme	Bridge improvement and maintenance projects implemented in line with agreed capital programme by March 2018	Connect 5.2 LTS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services
traffic pedes cross maint impro and n	ing tenance ovements	Traffic signal and pedestrian crossing maintenance improvements projects / schemes delivered in line with agreed 2017-18 capital and revenue programme	LTS CSS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services
	nue amme of t lighting	220 lighting columns improved / renewed by the end of March 2018 Roll out of LED lighting technology	Connect 5.3 Connect	Head of Roads and Transportation
impro	ovements	completed in line with agreed investment programme	5.3	Services
	er a winter tenance ce	Winter policy procedures and documents, including gritting routes, implemented and reviewed as necessary	Connect 5.4 LTS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services

**Connect objective**: Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel

**Resource objective:** Provide road and transportation infrastructure improvements to support new developments and to encourage greater use of public transport

Ac	tion	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
8.	Deliver road and transportation infrastructure	Prioritised road infrastructure designed and / or constructed by March 2018 in line with available external and internal capital	Connect 5.5 LTS	Head of Roads and Transportation
	improvements to support new development,	funding Subject to completion of the relevant	Connect 5.5	Services
	including those undertaken as part of the City	assurance processes, progress and deliver two major transport infrastructure projects (i.e. Greenhills Road and Stewartfield Way) in line with agreed	LTS	
9.	Deal Encourage greater use of public transport by working with	programme / profiling Prioritised improvements to bus and rail infrastructure (e.g. park and ride) delivered by March 2018 in line with available external funding	Connect 5.6 LTS SDS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services
	partners to improve public transport infrastructure	Development of Park and Ride Strategy	Connect 5.6 LTS SDS	

Connect objective: Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel
Resource objective: Encourage active travel and recreational access to the outdoors

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
10. Encourage active	Walking and cycling projects / schemes	Connect	Head of Roads
travel and	delivered in line with agreed 2017-18	5.7	and
recreational	capital programme	LTS	Transportation
access to the		SDS	Services
outdoors by	Outdoor Access Strategy developed and	Connect	Head of Facilities,
extending network	approved by Committee by December	5.7	Waste and
of cycle routes,	2017, with implementation thereafter	SDS	Grounds Services
upgrading,	Continued investigation into partnership	Connect	
maintaining and	and external funding opportunities for	5.7	
promoting path	extension of Clyde Walkway to link with	SDS	
networks, and	neighbouring long distance routes -		
extending Clyde	proposal paper for Community Services		
Walkway	Committee submitted by March 2018		

**Connect objective:** Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and

sustainable communities **Resource objective:** Provide Planning and Building Standards services which guide and control physical development and land use in the area

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
11. Ensure council has development plans which	Strategic Development Plan prepared for adoption by Clydeplan Group by December 2017	Connect 6.1 SDS	Head of Planning and Economic Development
promote sustainable	Main Issues Report published by April 2017	Connect 6.1	
economic growth and regeneration and guide decisions on location of new developments and regeneration initiatives	Proposed Local Development Plan published by January 2018	Connect 6.1 BDIP	
12. Provide effective and efficient	Major planning applications determined within an average timescale of 45 weeks		Head of Planning and Economic
Planning and Building Standards service	Householder planning applications determined within an average timescale of 5 weeks		Development
	Local (non-householder) planning applications determined within an average timescale of 11 weeks		
	Average number of weeks to deliver a commercial planning application decision	LGBF	
	95% of all applications granted (approval rates)		
	Cost per planning application Actions to successfully retain Customer Service Excellence award undertaken in preparation for reassessment of Planning service in September 2017	LGBF	
	Actions to successfully retain Customer Service Excellence award undertaken in preparation for reassessment of Building Standards service in November 2017		
	Planning service satisfaction target for applicants and agents (85%)		
	Satisfaction levels with Building Standards service sustained or improved against baseline (87%)		

**Connect objective:** Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities **Resource objective:** Sustain the quality of our town and neighbourhood centres

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Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
13. Deliver and encourage investment in our town and neighbourhood centres to maximise opportunities for growth and regeneration	Promote town centre development opportunities, provide support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS), and work with the business community and partners to maximise opportunities for growth, investment and regeneration	Connect 6.2	Head of Planning and Economic Development	

 Connect objective:
 Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

 Resource objective:
 Work with developers and public and private sector partners to deliver the Community Growth Areas City Deal project

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Action	Measures and timescales	reference / links	Responsibility
14. Deliver	Community Growth Area sites progressed	Connect	Head of Planning
Community	in accordance with criteria and programme	6.3	and Economic
Growth Areas City	specified in South Lanarkshire Local		Development
Deal project	Development Plan and City Deal		-

**Connect objective:** Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

**Resource objective:** Reduce the number of road casualties through road safety improvements and initiatives

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
15. Assist provision of safe routes to and from school through operation of school crossing patrol service	School crossing patrol cover provided at 125 sites in 2017-18	Connect 6.7	Head of Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services
16. Deliver prioritised road safety infrastructure improvements and	Road safety projects / schemes delivered in line with agreed 2017-18 capital programme	Connect 6.7 LTS CSS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services
promote road safety	Contribute to national casualty reduction targets, from a base of the average for 2004 to 2008, of a 40% reduction in fatal casualties and a 55% reduction in serious casualties amongst all age groups by 2020. For children the national target is a 50% reduction in fatalities and 65% reduction in serious casualties	Connect 6.7 LTS CSS	

**Resource objective:** Provide consumer protection through the work of our Consumer Advice and Trading Standards Service

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
17. Provide an	Support maintained for vulnerable groups	Connect	Head of Fleet
effective and	and neighbourhood watch areas by	6.7	and
efficient	responding to 100% of door step crime	CSS	Environmental
Consumer Advice	reports on the same or next working day	ASBS	Services
and Trading	65% of consumer complaints completed		
Standards Service	within 14 days		
	85% customer satisfaction with consumer		
	complaints and business advice requests		
	responded to by Trading Standards		
	Cost of Trading Standards per 1,000	LGBF	
	population		

**Connect objective:** Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities

**Resource objective:** Improve the quality of streets, parks and other public areas

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
18. Provide an effective and efficient street	Local Enforcement Audit and Management System (LEAMS) street cleanliness score (90% acceptable)	Connect 6.8 LGBF	Head of Facilities, Waste and Grounds
cleaning service	Net cost of street cleaning per 1,000 population	LGBF	Services
	Percentage of adults satisfied with street cleaning (results from Scottish Household Survey)	LGBF	
19. Provide an effective and	Land Audit Management System (LAMS) score of 70 achieved	Connect 6.8	Head of Facilities, Waste
efficient grounds maintenance	Cost of parks and open spaces per 1,000 of the population	LGBF	and Grounds Services
service	Percentage of adults satisfied with parks and open spaces (results from Scottish Household Survey)	LGBF	

**Connect objective:** Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities Resource objective: Create high quality cemeteries and provide sustainable options for burial Connect Action **Measures and timescales** reference / Responsibility links 20. Provide an Increase burial ground capacity in and Head of Connect Facilities. Waste effective and around existing South Lanarkshire 6.8 cemeteries and Grounds efficient bereavement Actions to successfully retain Customer Services Service Excellence award undertaken in service preparation for reassessment of **Bereavement Services** 

<b>Connect objective:</b> Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities				
<b>Resource objective:</b> Create high quality cemeteries and provide sustainable options for burial				
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
	95% customer satisfaction within Bereavement Services achieved			

Resource objective:	Provide services which help local communities to become more sustainable	

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
21. Ensure Council has strategy and action plan that promotes	Implement actions within the Climate Change Duties Compliance Improvement Action Plan within agreed timescales (CER Resource only) (all directors measure)	ADM	Operations Manager
sustainable development within service delivery and	Implement actions within the Climate Change Duties Compliance Improvement Action Plan within agreed timescales (council wide)	Connect 6.12 SDS	
compliance with public sector climate change duties	Council's performance in complying with public sector climate change duties evaluated and annual statutory Climate Change Duties Report published by 30th November 2017	Connect 6.12 SDS	
	Participate in 'Climate Ready Clyde' partnership during 2017-18	Connect 6.12 SDS	
	Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy 2017-22 (and accompanying communications plan) approved by Executive Committee by December 2017	Connect 6.12 SDS	
22. Provide an effective and	Net cost of waste collection per premise Net cost of waste disposal per premise	LGBF LGBF	Head of Facilities, Waste
efficient household waste and recycling collection service	Percentage of adults satisfied with refuse collection (results from Scottish Household Survey)	LGBF	and Grounds Services

<b>Connect objective:</b> Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities				
<b>Resource objective:</b> Provide services which help local communities to become more sustainable				
23. Introduce new waste management initiatives to reduce waste and	Ongoing education and awareness undertaken and waste service procedures reviewed to promote waste minimisation, reuse and recycling within local communities	Connect 6.8 SDS	Head of Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services	
increase recycling	Performance of waste and recycling contracts monitored and internal monthly updates developed on performance within each contract	SDS		
	The percentage of total household waste arising that is recycled (council target is 50% in line with Government target)	Connect 6.8 SDS LGBF		
24. Manage flooding priorities and deliver prioritised flood protection schemes	Prioritised flood protection projects / studies / delivered by March 2018 in line with available capital / revenue funding	Connect 6.8 LTS SDS	Head of Roads and Transportation Services	
25. Ensure Strategic Environmental Assessment of all appropriate policies, plans, programmes and strategies is undertaken	Strategic Environmental Assessments undertaken on all appropriate council led policies plans and strategies, as statutorily required	SDS	Head of Planning and Economic Development	
26. Monitor local	Updated biennial State of the Environment	Connect	Head of Planning	

	policies, plans, programmes and strategies is undertaken			
5.	Monitor local environmental conditions through preparation and monitoring of the biennial update of the State of the Environment report	Updated biennial State of the Environment report finalised by December 2017	Connect 6.8 SDS	Head of Planning and Economic Development

Connect objective: Work with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities Resource objective: Improve the council's environmental performance and reduce its greenhouse gas emissions			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
27. Further implement the Carbon Management Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from council services (buildings, waste, transport etc)	10% reduction in the council's greenhouse gas emissions achieved by March 2021, compared to 2015-16 (equivalent to 2% each year)	Connect 6.8 SDS	Operations Manager

Resource objective:	Improve the council's environmental performance	ce and re	educe	e its greenhouse
gas emissions				
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Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
	Compliance with Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) scheme achieved within deadlines	SDS	
28. Deliver 10% reduction in vehicle emissions by March 2021 in accordance with the corporate carbon reduction target	Implement fuel efficiency measures to achieve a 4% reduction in vehicle emissions by March 2018 (relative to baseline year of 2014-15) (Resource figure) (all directors measure) Implement fuel efficiency measures to achieve a 4% reduction in vehicle emissions by March 2018 (relative to baseline year of 2014-15) (council wide figure)	ADM Connect 6.8 SDS	Head of Fleet and Environmental Services
29. Provide effective and efficient fleet management and maintenance service	Target achieved for percentage of council vehicles presented externally for an MOT passing without additional work being required (target 90%)		Head of Fleet and Environmental Services

sustainable communit			
enforcement service	Safeguard health through an effective environ	mental services	regulation and
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
30. Provide an effective and efficient	Implementation of Air Quality Action Plan by March 2018	Connect 6.8 SDS	Head of Fleet and Environmental Services
Environmental Health service	Broad compliance with food safety statutory requirements secured in 85% of premises	Connect 6.7	
	Incidence of notified food borne infection reduced from 2006-07 baseline figures by 8.5% by March 2018	Connect 6.7	
	90% of public health service requests responded to within two working days		
	90% of fly tipping complaints responded to within two days	Connect 6.7 ASBS	
	90% of dog fouling complaints responded to within two days	Connect 6.7 ASBS	
	For all those noise complaints requiring attendance on site, the average time (hours) between the time of complaint and attendance on site (including both those dealt with and not dealt with under Part V of the Antisocial Behaviour Act 2004)	Connect 6.7 LGBF ASBS	

sustainable communitie	ork with communities and partners to promote Safeguard health through an effective environ		J		
Action	n Measures and timescales Connect links				
	Cost of Environmental Health per 1,000 population	LGBF			
	85% customer satisfaction achieved for Environmental Health				

Resource objective: F	Regenerate and bring back into use vacant a Measures and timescales	Connect reference /	Responsibility
31. Implement	Implement Contaminated Land Strategy	Links Connect	Head of Fleet
Contaminated	for South Lanarkshire	6.8	and
Land Strategy and vacant derelict /		SDS	Environmental Services
contaminated land	Deliver Vacant and Derelict Land Fund	Connect	Head of Planning
programme	Programme, including Shawfield	6.8	and Economic
	Remediation Plan		Development

sustainable communities <b>Resource objective:</b> Protect biodiversity and enhance green space in South Lanarkshire			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
32. In partnership with local communities, continue programme of restructuring	Phase 1 of Management Plan at Millheugh/ Greenhall Estate implemented by March 2018 (includes woodland restructuring and recreational access improvements)	Connect 6.8 SDS	Head of Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services
council owned woodland and improving recreational access	Phase 2 of Chatelherault landscape and access regeneration project implemented (includes restructuring of footpath network, replacing and repairing of footbridges, woodland restructuring, and invasive species treatments)	Connect 6.8 SDS	
	Phase 1 of Management Plan for Mauldslie and West Brownlie Woods implemented by March 2018 (includes woodland restructuring and recreational access improvements)	SDS	
33. Deliver South Lanarkshire Council Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan	Deliver South Lanarkshire Council Biodiversity Duty Implementation Plan and prepare and submit three yearly monitoring report to Scottish Government by January 2018	Connect 6.8 SDS BDIP	Head of Facilities, Waste and Grounds Services

**Connect objective:** Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth

**Resource objective:** Implement the South Lanarkshire Economic Strategy and support the development and implementation of the Glasgow City Region Economic Strategy and City Deal

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
34. Implement South Lanarkshire Economic Strategy in conjunction with Community Planning Partnership and other partners	Promote the South Lanarkshire Economic Strategy, implement associated actions in the Sustainable Economic Growth Partnership Improvement Plan, and report to the Sustainable Economic Growth Board	Connect 7.1	Head of Planning and Economic Development
35. Support the Glasgow City Region City Deal development programmes	Provide corporate oversight of City Deal infrastructure, business innovation and skills and employment programmes, with specific responsibility for progressing business case approvals for Roads and Community Growth Area projects and measurement of economic impact and outcomes	Connect 7.1	Head of Planning and Economic Development
36. Develop single door approach to economic development and inward investment activity to ensure South Lanarkshire maximises its potential as key business and employment location	Undertake activity aimed at increasing the number of companies engaged with partners which lead to improved performance and turnover, increased employment, innovation, investment and internationalisation Chooselanarkshire.com website maintained, marketing strategy implemented, and informal property network developed	Connect 7.7	Head of Planning and Economic Development

Connect objective: Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth				
	<b>Resource objective:</b> Support unemployed people into jobs, training or further education and prioritise efforts to support young people into the job market			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
37. Develop and progress employability	Continue delivery of employability services underpinned by European Structural Funds	Connect 7.2	Head of Planning and Economic Development	
services focused on priority client groups	A minimum of 1,200 of the people supported via employability programmes go on to access employment or training / education	Connect 7.2		
	% unemployed people assisted into work from council funded / operated employability programmes	LGBF		
	Gap in the working age employment rate reduced or maintained at 0.6% above the Scottish average by March 2018	Connect 7.2		

**Connect objective:** Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth

**Resource objective:** Support unemployed people into jobs, training or further education and prioritise efforts to support young people into the job market

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
	Initiatives and projects developed and delivered to support the most vulnerable young people leaving school and beyond, as per the council's Youth Action Plan	Connect 7.2	
	% of 16-19 year olds within South Lanarkshire Council participating in education, training or employment	Connect 7.2	

<b>Connect objective:</b> Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth				
Resource objective: S	Resource objective: Support local businesses through the delivery of business support programmes			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
38. Support local businesses	Over 1,500 businesses assisted per annum with grants, loans or advice	Connect 7.4	Head of Planning and Economic	
through effective company development	Between 500 – 1,000 jobs created or sustained per annum as a direct result of local authority intervention	Connect 7.4	Development	
activity and general business advice services	Value of sales generated by businesses assisted by Economic Development between £10 million - £20 million of sales	Connect 7.4		
and continue to invest in key	Percentage of procurement spend on local small/medium enterprises	LGBF		
business initiatives such as Clyde Gateway	East Kilbride Task Force Action Plan implemented	Connect 7.4 SDS		
and the East Kilbride Task	Number of business gateway start-ups per 10,000 population	LGBF		
Force	Oversee management of Supplier Development Programme including strategic development and delivery of events, training and e-commerce	Connect 7.5		
	Provision of specialist support to food and drink companies through liaison with Scotland Food and Drink and other partners			
	Relocation of University of West of Scotland to new Hamilton International Park campus			

Connect objective: Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth

Resource objective: Develop the area's tourism potential			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
39. Continue to implement Tourism Strategy and work with sector to develop profile of area as visitor destination	Tourism Strategy delivered via Lanarkshire Area Tourism Partnership	Connect 7.4 SDS	Head of Planning and Economic Development

Connect objective: Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth				
Resource objective: Implement the Lanarkshire Leader Rural Development Strategy				
Action Measures and timescales Connect reference / Responsibility links				
40. Deliver Clyde and Avon Valley Landscape Partnership (CAVLP) programme	Complete final year of CAVLP project activity and ensure efficient programme closure		Head of Planning and Economic Development	

<b>Connect objective:</b> Support the local economy by providing the right conditions for inclusive growth				
Resource objective: S	Resource objective: Support key voluntary organisations and help to develop the social economy			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility	
41. Improve volunteering opportunities for individuals and organisations	Work with VASLAN to support key voluntary organisations and improve volunteering opportunities and raise voluntary sector capacity	Connect 7.6	Head of Planning and Economic Development	
42. Implement South Lanarkshire Social Economy	Social Economy support through Business Gateway implemented for ten social economy organisations by March 2018	Connect 7.6	Head of Planning and Economic Development	
Partnership strategy and action plan	Voluntary organisations interested in Community Asset Transfer process engaged with and supported	Connect 7.6	-	

**Connect objective:** Support our communities by tackling disadvantage and deprivation and supporting aspiration

Resource objective:	Lead partnership approaches to tackling the causes and effects of poverty and
inequality	

Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
43. Oversee	Tackling Poverty Programme 2017-18	Connect	Head of Planning
implementation of	presented to Sustainable Economic	8.1	and Economic
Tackling Poverty	Growth Board for approval by September		Development
Programme	2017, and implemented thereafter		
	Report on impact of Tackling Poverty		
	Programme 2016-17 presented to		
	Sustainable Economic Growth Board by		
	September 2017		
	Financial inclusion network linked to	Connect	
	preparation for welfare reform developed	8.1	
	and supported		

Connect objective: Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities Resource objective: Provide quality leisure facilities and develop integrated community facilities within new primary schools Connect Action Measures and timescales reference / Responsibility links 44. Provide new or Progress development of community Connect Operations facilities, including: completion of new 11.1 refurbished Manager build primary school community wing and community facilities synthetic pitch at Newton by summer 2017, site start on new community facilities within new build Primary School at Elsrickle by spring 2018; replacement of Ballgreen Hall and Library with new integrated facility within St Patrick's Primary School completed by spring 2018;

and upgrade of three synthetic pitches

progressed by March 2018

Connect objective: Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities Resource objective: Maintain attendances at SLLC facilities by actively promoting the facilities to the local community and visitors to the area				
Action Measures and timescales Connect reference / Responsibility links				
45. Maximise the number of attendances at leisure facilities	Achieve 3 million attendances at those facilities managed by the Sport and Physical Activity section of South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Achieve target number of attendances for swimming pools (1.6 million)	Connect 11.2	General Manager South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture	
	Achieve target number of attendances for other indoor sports and leisure facilities (excluding pools) (1.4 million)			

**Connect objective:** Encourage participation in physical and cultural activities

local community and vis	laintain attendances at SLLC facilities by activ sitors to the area		
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
	Achieve target number of attendances at outdoor recreation and country parks (2.2 million)		
	% of adults satisfied with leisure facilities	LGBF LGBF	
46. Maximise the number of attendances at cultural activities	Cost per attendance at sports facilities Achieve 3.4 million attendances at facilities managed by Cultural Services and the Libraries and Museum Services Achieve target number of attendances at Cultural Services facilities (2.2 million) Achieve target number of library visits (1.2	Connect 11.2	General Manager South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture
	million) Achieve target number of visits to/usages of council funded or part-funded museums (190,000) % of adults satisfied with libraries	LGBF	
	% of adults satisfied with museums and galleries	LGBF	
	Cost per library visit Cost of museums per visit	LGBF LGBF	
47. Deliver activity programmes which will support equitable access for all, including	Achieve 870,000 under 16 reduced rates attendances at South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture facilities by March 2018 (includes halls, school lets, outdoor and indoor leisure)	Connect 11.3	General Manager South Lanarkshire Leisure and
older people and under 16s groups	Achieve 430,000 over 60's attendances by residents using South Lanarkshire leisure facilities Achieve 7,600 registered members of	Connect 11.3	Culture
	'Activage' scheme		

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value         Resource objective: Provide sound financial stewardship for the council				
Action Measures and timescales Connect reference / Responsibility links				
48. Attract external funding support of £3m from European Union, lottery and related sources to support corporate objectives	Annual target achieved resulting in £3m external funding invested in South Lanarkshire		Head of Planning and Economic Development	

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value			
Resource objective: D governance	<b>Resource objective:</b> Deliver and communicate the Council Plan and ensure high standards of governance		
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
49. Promote resilience / emergency preparedness for the council	Increase awareness of resilience/ emergency preparedness initiatives/ practices within and external to the council by March 2018		Head of Roads and Transportation Services
50. Deliver the objectives of the Council Plan Connect	Deliver annual Resource Plan and review suite of measures for coverage and relevance	ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources
51. Promote high standards of information governance	Information governance self assessment audit checklist to be completed annually and all relevant actions to be implemented	ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources
52. Ensure that high standards of	80% of risk control actions completed by due date	ADM	Executive Director of
governance are being exercised	90% of audit actions completed by due date	ADM	Community and Enterprise
	Complete Resource governance self assessment by due date and develop actions to address non-compliant areas	ADM	Resources
53. Compliance with statutory response timescales for	90% of Freedom of Information (FOISA) requests to be processed within the 20 working day period	ADM	Executive Director of Community and
information in terms of the EI(S)Rs and FOISA and for subject access	90% of Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations EI(S)R requests to be processed within the 20 working day period unless extended to 40 working days in exceptional circumstances	ADM	Enterprise Resources
requests under the DPA	90% of Data Protection Act (DPA) requests to be processed within 40 calendar days	ADM	

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value         Resource objective: Develop improvement activity and promote scrutiny			
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
54. Implement effective best value management arrangements to ensure continuous improvement and efficient and effective service delivery	Engage in self evaluation activity and take forward any improvement actions Use the results of benchmarking activity (including the Local Government Benchmarking Framework) to inform and improve service delivery	ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value Resource objective: Promote equality and the wellbeing of staff			
			Action
55. Develop and implement council wide equality performance measures and	Number of policies recommended, not recommended or piloted as a result of Equality Impact Assessments undertaken for all relevant policies, strategies and procedures	ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources
publish results in accordance with Public Sector Equalities Duties (PSED)	Provide annual report to the Equal Opportunities Forum on uptake of service, based on the agreed equality outcomes	ADM	

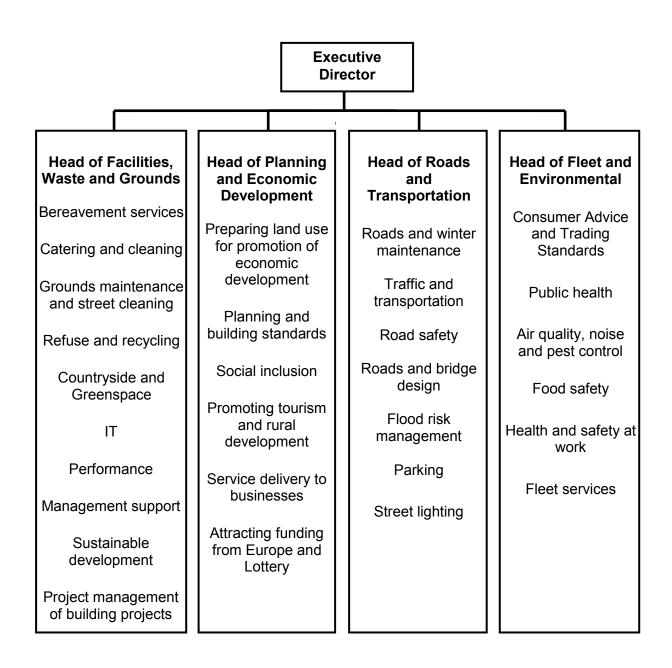
Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value			
Resource objective: In	nprove the skills, flexibility and capacity of the	workforce	
Action	Measures and timescales	Connect reference / links	Responsibility
56. Ensure our commitment to employees through the development and implementation of personnel policies and employee learning and	100% coverage of Performance Appraisals (PAs) of employees in scope Resource labour turnover rate to be less than 5%	ADM ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources
development opportunities			

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value <b>Resource objective:</b> Improve the skills, flexibility and capacity of the workforce			
Action Measures and timescales Connect reference / Responsibility links			
57. Implement the council workforce strategy toolkit and continue the cyclical reporting framework	Complete review of workforce plan and develop actions to respond to workforce changes and meet future needs	ADM	Executive Director of Community and Enterprise Resources

Delivering the plan and achieving Best Value         Resource objective: Other actions in support of delivering the Plan and achieving Best Value			
			Action
58. Coordinate the delivery of the Resource's IT CMT projects	Monitor, deliver and participate in main IT themes, including mobile working and customer contact		Support Manager
59. Prepare Resource for implementation of replacement corporate EDRMS and workflow software	System familiarisation, document and data mapping and migration, fileplan set up, correspondence workflow specification developed and tested, procedures revised, and training delivered (all by December 2017)		Support Manager

#### Annex 1

### Community and Enterprise Resources Resource organisational structure



### Annex 2

### Additional performance information

### Progress against key actions and measures 2016-17

Council objective: Improve the quality of the physical environment		
Resource objective	Achievement	
Improve the cleanliness of streets, parks and other public areas and take preventative and enforcement action against environmental crimes and incivilities	Responded to domestic noise complaints within 32 minutes, exceeding the annual service target of two hours; and responded to 99.3% of fly tipping complaints and 96.9% of dog fouling complaints within two working days, exceeding the annual target of 90% for both measures. Achieved Green Flag accreditation for Cambuslang Park, Castlebank Park, and Strathaven Park. The latter was also given a national Keep Scotland Beautiful People's Choice award – this was recognised in the Houses of Parliament in an Early Day Motion sponsored by the local MP.	
Protect biodiversity and enhance green space in South Lanarkshire	Completed first phase of felling of conifer plantations on the western side of Chatelherault Country Park and installed rock ramps on Millheugh and Avonmill weirs to allow salmon spawning access to the Avon water catchment.	
Council objective: Impr		
Resource objective	Achievement	
Reduce the number of road casualties through road safety and other infrastructure improvements and initiatives	<ul> <li>Carried out a number of road safety projects and initiatives, including:</li> <li>Route Action Plan works (on the B7018 from Kirkfieldbank to the B7078); anti skid surfacing (on the A726 at Knotlairs Farm, Strathaven and A72 east of the M74 Junction 7); and electronic warning signs (erected at the B7078 Candermill Road Crossroads, Stonehouse); and</li> <li>implementation of road safety education training initiatives at various schools, such as Kerbcraft, Bikeability, Road Safety Calendar Competition, Junior Road Safety Officer Scheme and Theatre in Education.</li> <li>Continued to provide school crossing patrol cover at 148 sites.</li> </ul>	
Undertake action to promote community safety and protect vulnerable groups from the consequences of unsafe goods and services	<ul> <li>Our Consumer Advice and Trading Standards team:</li> <li>responded to 100% of intelligence reports of door step crime the same or next working day; and</li> <li>dealt with 82% of consumer complaints within 14 days against an annual target of 65%, returning £285,000 to the local economy by way of civil redress in justified complaints.</li> </ul>	
Council objective: Promote participation in cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities		
Resource objective	Achievement	
Improve facilities for arts and cultural activities and provide quality facilities to support communities	Near to completion on the construction of the community wing/synthetic pitch within Newton Farm Primary School (completion due summer 2017).	

Council objective: Develop a sustainable council and communities (Priority)		
Resource objective	Achievement	
Improve the council's environmental performance and reduce its greenhouse gas emissions	Ongoing carbon management projects and initiatives led to a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from council services of 3.6% in 2015-16, compared to 2014-15. Council wide and Community and Enterprise Resource wide vehicle emissions reduced by 6.03% and 6.30% (respectively) in 2016-17, compared to 2014-15.	
Provide services and infrastructure which help local communities to become more sustainable	Completed cycle route works between Lesmahagow and Happendon and on sections of East Kilbride cycle routes.	
Council objective: Impr	rove and maintain health and increase physical activity	
Resource objective	Achievement	
Improve the quality and number of opportunities for individuals to develop a healthy and active lifestyle	<ul> <li>Exceeded the annual target for the number of attendances at outdoor recreation and country parks (2.226 million compared to the target of 2.100 million).</li> <li>Recorded 876,690 reduced rate attendances by under 16s at South Lanarkshire Leisure and Cultural facilities (exceeding the annual target of 870,000 attendances), and increased Activage membership for residents aged 60+ by 6% on last year.</li> <li>Offered free meals to all primary 1-3 pupils, with a 76% uptake</li> </ul>	
Safeguard health through an effective environmental services regulation and enforcement service	<ul> <li>during the year.</li> <li>Services provided by our Environmental Health team helped ensure: <ul> <li>86.9% of local food businesses were broadly compliant with food safety standards (against the annual target of 85%); and</li> <li>the number of food safety incidents recorded in the year (141) was lower than the annual target (fewer than 170) and lower than the previous year (160).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Responded to 97.46% of public health incidents within two working days (against the target of 90%).</li> </ul>	
Council objective: Achi	ieve efficient and effective use of resources	
Resource objective	Achievement	
Achieve efficient and effective use of resources	Attracted £8.13 million in external funding support from Scottish Government and Lottery sources, exceeding the annual target of £5 million.	

Additional performance information is also available in the introduction, at section 2.1 and section 4.2 of this Resource Plan.

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Improve the quality of life of everyone in South Lanarkshire

## Our Values

Focused on people and their needs Working with and respecting others Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Ambitious, self aware and improving core and wellbeing Inorove health, Get it right for people children and young people Fair, open and sustainable Excellent employer

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