



Central Scotland Green Network

Declaration



We acknowledge that

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

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

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

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



We welcome

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

The CSGN concept as set out in the CSGN Vision.

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

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



We commit from this date to

Adhere to the CSGN principles expressed in the CSGN Vision.

Embed the CSGN in all relevant policies, strategies and plans - most notably in Single Outcome Agreements, Community Plans and Development Plans.

Develop and enhance our partnership work to realise the CSGN.

Support the work of the Lothian and Fife Green Network Partnership as part of the Council's commitment to the CSGN principles of partnership working.

Ensure the Green Network is integrated, as appropriate, into development plans, development frameworks, masterplans and design briefs.

Promote connectivity and multi-functional use of all types of greenspace at a range of scales in both urban and rural areas.

Identify opportunities and priority areas for Green Network enhancement to target available resources and facilitate its delivery.