

THINK GLOBAL ACT LOCAL

SCOTTISH GREENS LOCAL ELECTION MANIFESTO 2022
SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

Scottish Green Party





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Many of the challenges we face are global, but we know that solutions can and must be delivered at a local level. Last summer, the Scottish Greens made history by becoming the first Greens to enter central government in UK history.

Action by the Scottish Greens has already led to free bus travel for young people, unprecedented action on single-use plastics and record investments in recycling, nature restoration and active travel.

Now, more than ever, we need to empower our councils to carry on this work for our communities. Green Councillors across Scotland have made a real difference already, opposing destructive developments, leading local authority action on the climate emergency and saving vital local assets like libraries and swimming pools.

This election is an opportunity for Scottish Green Councillors to play an even bigger role, entering councils that have never benefited from a Green voice before and leading change across Scotland.

Councils have a crucial role to play in addressing the local impact of the climate and economic crises. The pandemic has shown us that global events can have a very profound local impact, but it has also shown us the differences communities can make when we work together to tackle the big challenges we face. We must continue that spirit and cooperation to deal with the climate and economic crises.

Scottish Greens are committed to empowering local authorities to meet the needs of their communities. That is why our MSPs in the Scottish Parliament have secured new powers for councils, new money for active travel and recycling, and the biggest increase in funding for teacher recruitment in a generation.

By electing Green Councillors to Council Chambers across Scotland you can change how your council works. Electing a Green Councillor by giving them your first preference vote is the best way to make your council one that supports you and your community to create a better place in a better world.



LOCAL MANIFESTO

To be taken alongside the national manifesto.

Now is the time to elect Scottish Green Councillors to South Lanarkshire. Working together with Greens in other council areas and at government level we will endeavour to improve local lives and facilities.

- We will work hard to find solutions to litter and fly-tipping. Improve bin collection services, extend doorstep recycling to include clothing and other textiles, promote composting and provide a rapid response service to deal with overflowing recycling containers.
- We will urge South Lanarkshire Council to shift spending towards investing in walking, wheeling and cycling networks and roll out 20-minute neighbourhoods, making local neighbourhoods safe, healthy and welcoming for all
- We will work to ensure more South Lanarkshire Council-owned play and sports facilities are open outwith school hours.



- We will campaign to extend 20mph speed limits in residential areas by 2025, to improve road safety, reduce air pollution, and give streets back to communities.
- We will protect parks and greenspaces and encourage investment in them to provide places for people to enjoy, and for wildlife to flourish.
- We will continue to oppose the large-scale incineration of waste and plan for a just transition for workers in this industry.

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Only the Scottish Greens understand that the climate and nature emergencies need urgent action by governments, by businesses and in our communities. We have proved that we can provide leadership in Scotland to tackle poverty and the climate emergency. Giving the Scottish Greens your first preference vote will build our leadership in your local council too.

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