

Local Authority Forum Notes

2022 Review and Look Ahead

8th December 2022

Chair: Claudia Cowie, Aberdeenshire Council and SSN Steering Group Member

General

- The final Local Authority Forum of 2022 was attended by around 70 delegates from Scotland's local authorities.
- Strategic updates from Scottish Government, COSLA, the Improvement Service (IS) and the Sustainable Scotland Network secretariat (SSN) can be found [here](#).
- Members were thanked for their hard work on the Public Bodies Climate Change Reports which will be uploaded end Jan/early Feb onto the SSN website and a final summary analysis report will be published end March.



Segment 1

Climate Intelligence Service - Jamie Brogan - Edinburgh Climate Change Institute - Slides

- Jamie Brogan delivered a proposal for a collaborative project between Edinburgh Climate Change Institute, SSN and the IS. The project will be looking at national and local support for area based emissions. This proposal is based on the [Carbon Scenario Tool Pathfinder Project](#).

Segment 2

CDP reporting for UK Local Authorities - Ravina Singh - CDP - Slides

- [CDP](#) is a not-for-profit charity that runs the global disclosure system, their aim is to make environmental reporting mainstream.
- Their presentation provided an update on their reporting offer which is free of charge for local authorities.

Segment 3

SSN Working Groups Update - Slides

- Leads for the different SSN working groups provided an update on work on engagement, impact assessments and LHEES.
- Based on the discussion, topics for activity in 2023 include: Engagement and behaviour change, Carbon budgeting, Green Participatory Budgeting, and LHEES.

Dates for the Diary

- 12th January Children's Rights and Climate Change
- 17th January Low Carbon Infrastructure Workshop
- 24th May SSN Conference

Useful Links

<https://www.theccc.org.uk/publication/scottish-emission-targets-progress-in-reducing-emissions-in-scotland-2022-report-to-parliament/>

<https://sustainablescotlandnetwork.org/ssn-manual/training-opportunities>

https://www.edinburghclimate.org.uk/sites/default/files/Edinburgh%20Carbon%20Roadmap_0.pdf

<https://councilclimatescorecards.uk/>

https://www.uk100.org/sites/default/files/publications/LA%20Contributions_Final.pdf

