



# Sustainable Glasgow

**GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT HUB UPDATE  
25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021**

**Purpose of Report:**

To update the Sustainable Glasgow Board.

**Recommendations:**

- That the Board notes the paper.

1. The Green Infrastructure and Transport Hub (GITH) was established in November 2020, chaired by Professor Tim Bedford, University of Strathclyde.
2. University of Strathclyde has appointed an internal team to develop and drive initial activities and engagement with wider stakeholders. The team includes Dr Rebecca Ford, Prof Richard Knight and Dr Roddy Yarr, with project management support provided by Jonathan Scott.
3. Key initial activities of the hub include:
  - 3.1 Investigating the initial alignment of the GITH remit (either as a core activity or interface) with the 52 actions arising from the Glasgow City Council Climate Emergency Implementation plan.
  - 3.2 Initiating the collation of expertise lists aligned with areas/actions from the Glasgow City Council Climate Emergency Implementation plan.
  - 3.3 Ensuring the engagement and attendance of UoS experts with the other newly formed Sustainable Glasgow hubs, to support input and coordination
  - 3.4 Initial planning of potential milestones/activities to December 2021, which will be further informed by member engagement.
  - 3.5 Planning and holding an introductory Workshop (22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021) to gain input on the definition and scope of hub from stakeholders.
  - 3.6 With 34 attendees spanning government, academic, charity and industry sectors, the workshop was held online and facilitated by University of Strathclyde Continuous Improvement Team and included two sessions of three breakout rooms (Energy, Transport and Active Travel and Adaptation).
  - 3.7 The definition and scope of the hub was discussed and input gathered both at the workshop and also through a pre event survey which examined our considered themes, principles and scope. Attendees also discussed current projects and key activities, which were recorded. Current action in the city was presented to attendees via exemplar projects (Climate Neutral Innovation District, Clyde Rebuilt and Strathclyde Partnership for Transport).

- 3.8 Attending organisations included: City of Glasgow College, Climate Ready Clyde, Clyde Gateway, Glasgow Caledonian University, Glasgow Centre for Population Health, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, Glasgow City Council, Green Space Scotland, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde, Scottish Government, Scottish Power Energy Network, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport, Sustrans, Transport Scotland, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde and Wheatley Group.
- 3.9 The team is planning a further series of workshops/meetings which will further identify interdependencies to link via a whole systems approach and focus on other key areas, as required. Further work will be required to scope the key areas of interest in “Green Infrastructure”. We will ensure any additional stakeholders are identified and engaged as we progress.

