



COP26 - United Nations Climate Change Conference – Presentation

Date of meeting 6 March 2020

Date of report 18 February 2020

Report by Chief Executive

1. Object of report

The object of this report is to inform the Partnership of a presentation which will be given by SPT officers at the 6th March 2020 meeting regarding transport and the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) being held in Glasgow in November 2020.

2. Background

“COP26” is the abbreviated name for the 26th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The event provides participating nations with the opportunity to discuss progress on addressing climate change and develop international agreements in that regard. COP26 in Glasgow is particularly important because participating nations will be requested to provide an update on their progress towards the climate targets agreed in the “Paris Agreement” of 2015, and work will be undertaken to agree new targets and next steps.

3. Outline of proposals

The presentation to the current meeting will cover:

- COP26 – background, facts and figures
- Transport Planning for COP26
- SPT’s role
- Current status

4. Conclusion

COP26 will be one of the biggest events of its kind held in Scotland. Given the worldwide political and media attention expected, it represents a huge opportunity to showcase Glasgow and the west of Scotland on a global stage, thereby potentially generating future investment in the region. It further offers the opportunity to present our region as a progressive force in addressing the negative effects of climate change. The presentation offers Partnership members the chance to be updated on transport and COP26 and officers will seek to keep members updated as planning and preparations continue for the event.

5. Partnership action

The Partnership is recommended to note this report and the presentation given to the current meeting.

6. Consequences

Policy consequences	<i>In line with the RTS.</i>
Legal consequences	<i>None identified at present.</i>
Financial consequences	<i>None identified at present.</i>
Personnel consequences	<i>None identified at present.</i>
Equalities consequences	<i>None identified at present.</i>
Risk consequences	<i>None identified at present.</i>

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