

Sustainable Scotland Network: How does it help you?

The **Sustainable Scotland Network (SSN)** supports Scotland's public bodies to respond to climate change and sustainability challenges. This includes providing advice, guidance, tools, training, events and opportunities for peer learning related to statutory climate change duties, emissions, adaptation and wider sustainability.

Our Research

The **Scottish Government** has commissioned **GC Insight** to complete an independent evaluation of the SSN to:

- ▶ Assess SSN operation and service delivery across the public sector.
- ▶ Explore the outcomes and impacts of accessing SSN support for public body members.
- ▶ Identify strengths, challenges, gaps and opportunities for improvement.
- ▶ Inform future strategic direction, priorities and funding decisions for SSN

How you can help us

As a public body member of the SSN, please complete our **10-minute survey** to explore your awareness of the SSN and your experience of engaging with their services and support. By taking part you will be helping to:

- ▶ Improve the relevance, quality and accessibility of SSN Services.
- ▶ Shape future tools, guidance, training and engagement approaches
- ▶ Strengthen how SSN supports public body delivery of statutory climate duties.



How to take part

The survey is available online via the following link [here](#): or you can scan the QR Code using a mobile device.



- ▶ You can complete the survey at a time that suits you.
- ▶ You may stop and return to the survey if your browser allows.
- ▶ You only need to submit one response per individual.
- ▶ If you experience any technical difficulties, please contact Paul Woodcraft at Paul.Woodcraft@gcinsight.co.uk

The deadline for submission of your survey response is **Friday 26th June**. Any responses submitted after this date will not be included in the survey analysis.

How your responses will be used

- ▶ Combined with responses from other SSN members.
- ▶ Analysed to identify themes, patterns and differences in experience.
- ▶ Triangulated with evidence from other evaluation activities including interviews with SSN managers and governance stakeholders, review of SSN data and documents.
- ▶ To produce an independent evaluation report for the Scottish Government and SSN partners (e.g. Solace, COSLA)
- ▶ Any quotations used will be fully anonymised so individuals and organisations cannot be identified.

For more information on the study and its purpose, you can refer to our project Privacy Notice available [here](#)

Data Protection and confidentiality

Our evaluation of the SSN and its activities are being conducted in line with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018

- ▶ Taking part in the survey is voluntary.
- ▶ You do not have to answer any question you are uncomfortable with.
- ▶ You can stop the survey at any point and withdraw your consent to participate.
- ▶ Survey responses will be treated as confidential and stored securely.
- ▶ Data will only be accessed by the GC Insight evaluation team.
- ▶ All publicly available/published outputs will be anonymised.

If you require any further information on the evaluation and how the findings will be used please contact **Jane Lindsay, Contract Manager** at The Scottish Government on Jane.Lindsay@gov.scot

