

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT AGENDA ITEM NO. 26.....

To: PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE	Subject:	
From: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT	Royal Town Planning Institute Awards - The Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan	
Date: 20 March 2002	Ref: PG/LMcW/32/01	

1. **Purpose of Report**

To inform Committee of the award received by the eight authorities for the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan.

2. **Background**

Members will be aware that the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan has been prepared by eight authorities working together through the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan Joint Committee.

The preparation of the plan has involved input from a considerable number of staff within the Planning and Environment Department in co-operation with colleagues in the other seven authorities together with the core team based in Glasgow. Councillor Coyle and Councillor Wilson have represented North Lanarkshire Council on the Joint Committee, with Councillor Coyle as Convenor.

3. **The Award**

At the award ceremony of the Royal Town Planning Institute on 30 January, Councillor Coyle as Convenor of the Joint Committee and the Structure Plan Manager, Vincent Goodstadt, received the Award for Innovation by Local Authorities in Scotland for the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan.

4. In congratulation, Jill Pain, Chair of the judging panel said

"This is an outstanding example of planning innovation and achievement which fully deserves wide recognition. The planning professionals involved should be proud that their work has resulted in significant environmental and public benefits.

The Plan is an object lesson in what can be achieved in strategic planning and illustrates the importance of such an approach in our metropolitan areas. We believe that other UK conurbations could learn from the experience of Glasgow and Clyde Valley. The team and its partners are to be congratulated on their innovative and highly readable Structure Plan"

5. **Recommendation**

Committee is asked to note this award.



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