

# COMMITTEE QUESTIONS LOG CYCLE 1 2026

Committee	Cycle	Date	Item and Title	Question	Responsible Officer	Answer	Status	Reported to Council Date
Adult Care and Social Work	Cycle 4 - 2025	11 November 2025	3 - Care Academy Update	Can examples of bespoke recruitment campaigns be provided to Members of Committee? (Councillor Jones)	Chief Officer (Planning, Performance and Quality Assurance)	Response being worked on and will be sent to Members of the Committee in due course. Will be included within the Committee Questions Log for Cycle 2 2026	Incomplete	02 April 2026
Council	Cycle 4 - 2025	18 December 2025	4 - Membership of the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA)	Can clarity be sought on whether the 2021 Cosla Constitution amended the membership of the political balance for Local Government?	Chief Officer (Legal and Democratic)	Councillors Further to the action arising from the meeting of Full Council on 18 December, clarification has been sought regarding whether the 2021 COSLA Constitution introduced any amendment to the arrangements governing political balance within Local Government representation. I can confirm that the current COSLA Constitution, approved on 21 November 2021, stipulates that the appointment of Member Council representatives to the COSLA Convention should be made "on a basis which reflects the balance of party group strength within each Member Council." This provision is not new. The same wording is contained within the preceding 2017 COSLA Constitution and is also consistent with guidance issued by COSLA in May 1999. As such, there has been no substantive change in this aspect of the constitutional framework in the 2021 revision. I trust this provides the necessary clarification. Please do not hesitate to get in touch should you require any further detail.	Complete	02 April 2026
Council	Cycle 4 - 2025	18 December 2025	8 - Aquatec	Can Shotts Leisure Centre be included within the comparable wet and dry information and further information to be circulated. (Councillor A. Stubbs)	Depute Chief Executive / Chief Officer (Community Operations)	An updated report to the Communities Committee - Aquatec Report Communities Committee 9th February, answered the question raised.	Complete	02 April 2026
Council	Cycle 4 - 2025	18 December 2025	8 - Aquatec	Can the footfall for the Aquatec and Ravenscaig be reviewed and provided to Elected Members. (Councillor A. Stubbs)	Depute Chief Executive / Chief Officer (Community Operations)	An updated report to the Communities Committee - Aquatec Report Communities Committee 9th February, answered the question raised.	Complete	02 April 2026
Council	Cycle 4 - 2025	18 December 2025	8 - Aquatec	Can dates of when Aquatec has been temporarily closed from July 2025 to be confirmed. (Councillor Thomas)	Depute Chief Executive / Chief Officer (Community Operations)	An updated report to the Communities Committee - Aquatec Report Communities Committee 9th February, answered the question raised.	Complete	02 April 2026
Communities	Cycle 1 - 2026	09 February 2026	6 - Grant Award Programme (GAP) 2026-2027	"For those organisations with a nil award, how many organisations had asked for feedback?" (Councillor Goldie)	Interim Chief Officer (Strategy and Engagement)	There has been no contact from any of the organisations who received a NIL award at this point. However, for noting, official letters have still to be issued, and this may prompt feedback enquiries. Letters should be issued in the next few weeks.	Complete	02 April 2026
Environment and Climate Change	Cycle 1 - 2026	11 February 2026	2 - Final Update Report on Vape Recycling	How do we measure the effectiveness of social media posts highlighting risks and importance of disposing of vapes? (Councillor Goldie)	Interim Chief Officer (Strategy and Engagement)	<u>Response - Environment and Climate Change Committee – There are a number of ways that we measure the effectiveness of social media but largely it's around engagement. This would include the number of views, likes/reactions, shares, comments, which indicate that the audience is engaging with content. Conversion rates also indicate interactive engagement, such as click-throughs on links to webpages. An overview of recent activity (which is only organic currently), can be found below, with one post generating 41 click-throughs to the webpage, which is very positive. The team, at the request of the service, is also using materials from the Recycle Your Electricals campaign, which is the UK-wide campaign to encourage and make it easier for everyone to reuse and recycle unwanted electricals, rather than throwing them away or hoarding them. By doing this, we are using recognised marketing materials that may get more cut-through and engagement. In terms of uptake of drop-off points at HWRCs, we will be asking to track usage and Trading Standards is working with retailers to ensure they provide recycling points. There is a general anecdotal feeling from the service that litter has reduced, due to the ban on disposable vapes. Corporate Communications is also exploring producing a video aimed at young people for further engagement on appropriate channels.</u>	Complete	02 April 2026
Environment and Climate Change	Cycle 1 - 2026	11 February 2026	3 - Scottish Illegal Tobacco Team Hosted by North Lanarkshire Council Trading Standards	Where does the money seized as penalties go to? (Councillor Thomas)	Chief Officer (Community Operations)	It is my understanding that the money raised by HMRC penalties is used to help support various government services and initiatives, and that it is considered essential for boosting the funding of community services such as health care, education, and social security. Whilst the monies are collected centrally at a UK level, consequential Barnett formula funding will in turn be allocated to the devolved administrations, including in Scotland.	Complete	02 April 2026
Housing	Cycle 1 - 2026	18 February 2026	12 - Enterprise and Communities Capital Monitoring Report	Can a breakdown of the sources of the external funding of £7.48m be provided to Committee Members (Councillor Robinson)	Chief Officer (Finance and Technology)	The period 10 report advises that the E&C budget includes net additional External Funding of £7.148m since the budget was approved in March 2025. The table provides a breakdown of the £7.148m based on funding source with some examples of what the funding can/s being used for. For context, the table also provides the overall external funding total contained in the E&C programme at period 10. (Table also included as per the response on 6/3/2026)	Complete	02 April 2026
Housing	Cycle 1 - 2026	18 February 2026	12 - Enterprise and Communities Capital Monitoring Report	Can you confirm the funeral route to the new Pather cemetery (Councillor Burgess)	Chief Officer (Place)	The funeral route to Pather Cemetery will be as follows:-  Caledonian Road, Tarbert Avenue, Rannoch Drive.  (A survey of existing traffic management installations (road humps) will have to be undertaken in the short term to ensure conformity and regularity.)  Dimsdale Road is not suitable due as this would require the Service to acquire the railway bridge from Network Rail and spend significant resources on improving it.	Complete	02 April 2026
Housing	Cycle 1 - 2026	18 February 2026	12 - Enterprise and Communities Capital Monitoring Report	Can details be provided regarding which project the ecological mitigation requirements underspend relates to (Councillor Nolan)	Chief Officer (Place)	This relates to the Glenboig Link Road and is a contingency budget that was kept within the programme budget should any additional ecological mitigation work be required.	Complete	02 April 2026
Housing	Cycle 1 - 2026	18 February 2026	17 - New Housing Supply Programme - Procurement Update	Can a breakdown of the house type for the 35 units at Newton Drive, Newmains be provided (Councillor A. Stubbs)	Chief Officer (Place)	A) Schedule of accommodation below: •Mainstream house (3A/4P) - 8 x 2-bed •Mainstream house (4A/5P) - 4 x 3-bed •Mainstream house (4A/6P) - 2 x 3-bed •Wheelchair house (5A/7P) - 1 x 4-bed •Amenity bungalow (3A/4P) - 6 x 2-bed •Amenity cottage flats (3A/4P) - 4 x 2-bed •Amenity cottage flats (2A/2P) - 4 x 1-bed •Amenity cottage flats (2A/2P & 3A/3P) - 2 x 1-bed (Ground Floor W/C) 2 x 2-bed (Upper Floor)	Complete	02 April 2026
Housing	Cycle 1 - 2026	18 February 2026	17 - New Housing Supply Programme - Procurement Update	Can a breakdown of the demolition costs for the Bank Street, Coatbridge project be provided (Councillor A. Stubbs)	Chief Officer (Place)	Breakdown of costs as follows: •Final value of demolition contract = £141,024.93 •Open Reach disconnection = £2,333.61 •SGN disconnection = £1,980.00 •SPEN disconnection = £1,131.58 •Street Lighting = £825.68 •Network Rail = £3,406.29	Complete	02 April 2026

Adult Care and Social Work	Cycle 1 - 2026	24 February 2026	3 - Audit Scotland's report into Community Health and Social Care: Performance 2025	In relation to the percentage delayed discharge reasons, can the figures and the impact be provided (Cllr Barclay)	Chief Officer (North Lanarkshire HSCP) / Chief Officer (Performance, Planning & Quality Assurance)	<a href="#">Please find attached the delayed discharge information, as per your request at Adult Care and Social Work Committee on 24 February 2026. The attached includes the Scotland position (as published in the report) and the North Lanarkshire position, using the same source data. Sent 10 March 2026</a>	Complete	02 April 2026
Adult Care and Social Work	Cycle 1 - 2026	24 February 2026	3 - Audit Scotland's report into Community Health and Social Care: Performance 2025	Can percentage figures of the number of Power of Attorney be advised (Cllr Barclay)	Chief Officer (North Lanarkshire HSCP) / Chief Officer (Performance, Planning & Quality Assurance)	We don't hold data on Power of Attorney.	Complete	02 April 2026
Education, Children and Families	Cycle 1 - 2026	03 March 2026	5 - Strengthening Inclusion – Next Steps	Do you have the number of teachers who work between ASN schools and mainstream schools? (Cllr Barclay)	Chief Officer (Education - South)	<a href="#">Excel document circulated on 10 March 2026 - ASN LCSC Headcount.</a>	Complete	02 April 2026
Education, Children and Families	Cycle 1 - 2026	03 March 2026	5 - Strengthening Inclusion – Next Steps	Can a comparison of the Council's percentage of 40.9 % be provided against other Scottish Local Authorities? (Councillor Burgess)	Chief Officer (Education - South)	<a href="#">Email circulated 10 March 2026 - Percentage of total school roll within ASN by LA 2024</a>	Complete	02 April 2026
Education, Children and Families	Cycle 1 - 2026	03 March 2026	11 - Contract Award Report for the Framework Agreement for Ad-Hoc Minibus & Coach Hire	Can confirmation be advised on how organisations are accredited as a Living Wage Employer? (Cllr Barclay)	Chief Officer (Community Operations)	The living wage foundation website sets out the process for organisations to become living wage accredited. Please see website - <a href="#">Accreditation   Living Wage Foundation</a> Please note that the council's general policy on "the Payment of a Living Wage" is contained within section 9.6 of the Procurement Strategy 2026/27 (This was approved at Finance and Resources Committee on 04 March 2026 and shall be updated to the Council website shortly: <a href="#">Key Procurement documents   North Lanarkshire Council</a> )	Complete	02 April 2026
Audit and Scrutiny	Cycle 1 - 2026	05 March 2026	9 - Internal Audit: Progress Report	Can you clarify how many volunteers require/already have PVG's and how these will be recorded internally and the arrangements to be put in place to ensure records are and remain up to date (Cllr Robinson)	Chief Officer (Education - North) and Chief Officer (People Resources)	The Service considered the implications of the updated PVG legislation and guidance per a report submitted to E&F SMT on 4 March 2026. Following these discussions a number of immediate and longer term actions were agreed.  In regard to managing the PVG backlog agreement has been reached with HR to administer these applications on behalf of the Service. E&F and HR staff will work together to help prioritise the order in which the applications will be processed. Following the change in legislation the Service has received circa 235 PVG applications of which approximately 85 are from exam invigilators. The Service has also confirmed updates on the number of PVG applications will be submitted to the monthly SMT meeting until the backlog is cleared.  Going forward the Service has also agreed to convene a short life working group with the aim of producing a PVG policy/guidance document which can be shared with schools and other E&F staff who engage with volunteers or external partners. This policy/guidance document will be finalised prior to the commencement of the 2026/27 academic year. The Service has also agreed to train internal HQ staff to allow them to process and authorise PVG applications, and similarly it is the intention that these staff will be able to take on this role from the start of the 2026/27 academic year.	Complete	02 April 2026