## **Clyde Gateway Green Network**

Retrofitting the Green Network



## THE BIG IDEA

The Clyde Gateway takes in an area of Glasgow and South Lanarkshire totalling 3.3 square miles. It is identified within the National Planning Framework 3 as a National Regeneration Priority The Clyde Gateway has in recent years undergone massive transformation and this change will continue for years to come. The principle of integrating the Green Network as a fundamental part of the regeneration process has been embraced by delivery partners from the outset.

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The Partnership's *Clyde Gateway Green Network Strategy*, completed in 2007, set out the case for Green Network integration. Many of the Strategy's recommendations have been taken forward by the Clyde Gateway Urban Regeneration Company (URC), the organisation responsible for delivery of the transformation.

The Partnership's input to development of an integrated Green Network in the Clyde Gateway has been inspirational

Martin McKay, Executive Director of Regeneration, Clyde Gateway URC

## **DEVELOPMENT**

The original *Green Network Strategy*, and 4 subsequent *Green Network Studies*, which built on the original work, have informed many of the changes seen in the area today.



Green Network thinking was embedded in Glasgow City Council's *East End Development Framework* and developments being led by the URC such as those at South Dalmarnock and Shawfield.

The Cuningar Loop, identified in the original Strategy as a major Green Network opportunity, has been taken forward by Forestry Commission Scotland, South Lanarkshire Council and the URC and will open as a regional attraction in 2016.

Cuningar Loop will be a major new urban woodland park, the GCV Green Network Partnership helped make it happen

Keith Wishart, Conservator, Forestry Commission Scotland

Other elements of the original *Green Network Strategy* which have influenced change include detailed *design studies for the Clyde Corridor, Rutherglen Station* and *Bridgeton Cross*.

The Strategy also highlighted opportunities associated with the London Road corridor and the Dalmarnock Riverside Park which continue to be explored and developed by the URC.

## **CLYDE GATEWAY TODAY**

The Partnership's influence and input at an early stage helped to ensure integration of the Green Network into the wider regeneration processes ultimately delivering attractive, liveable and connected communities.