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COLLABORATING ON THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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THE BACKGROUND

THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

2015 was a landmark year for sustainable development, with all UN Member States agreeing to the SDGs

The 17 Global Goals cover people, planet, peace, prosperity and partnership - they are the closest the world has come to a strategy to end poverty, tackle inequalities and combat climate change

Last until 2030 - also known as the 2030 Agenda



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THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

There are 169 targets and over 230 indicators that sit under the 17 Global Goals

Targets specify the goals and Indicators represent the metrics by which the world aims to track whether these Targets are achieved.

However, countries are expected to use this as a guide and use National Frameworks that suit the National context



Table 1. SDG 11 targets and indicators

Targets	Current Indicators
SDG Target 11.1 By 2030, ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums	11.1.1 Proportion of urban population living in slums, informal settlements or inadequate housing. [Tier I]
SDG Target 11.2 By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons.	11.2.1 Proportion of population that has convenient access to public transport. [Tier II]
SDG Target 11.3 By 2030, enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries.	11.3.1 Ratio of land consumption rate to population growth rate. [Tier I] 11.3.2 Proportion of cities with a direct participation in urban planning and management that operate regularly. [Tier II]
SDG Target 11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage	11.4.1 Total expenditure (public and private) on conservation of all cultural and natural heritage (immovable, movable and intangible), type of expenditure (operational, maintenance, restoration, etc.), type of expenditure (operational, maintenance, restoration, etc.) funding (donations in kind, private non-profit, etc.). [Tier I] 11.5.1 Number of deaths, missing persons and economic losses relative to global population. [Tier I] 11.5.2 Direct disaster economic loss in constant LCU prices of 2013, relative to global economic output. [Tier I] 11.6.1 Proportion of urban solid waste formally managed. [Tier I]



THE BACKGROUND

THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) preceded the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Eight goals with measurable targets and clear deadlines for improving the lives of the world's poorest people by 2015

Despite its success, billions still face inequality and poverty. The first order of business for the SDGs will be reaching the furthest behind first

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SCOTLAND ADOPTS THE GLOBAL GOALS IN 2015

In 2015, the First Minister pledged that Scotland would lead the way to deliver a more equal, more just world

In signing Scotland up to the Sustainable Development Goals, the Scottish Government made a bold statement of intent not just to the people of Scotland but to the world

Scotland was one of the first Nations to do so

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PREVIOUS GROUPS LAY FOUNDATIONS

Scotland had already played a key role in the consultations on the SDGs before the network

The Rio Group was founded by Scottish Wildlife Trust, Sniffer, and CIFAL Scotland in 2011 to provide a platform to contribute to international discussions

In 2015 and early 2016, the Scottish Government supported a number of engagement groups involving business and others.

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SLOW START ACROSS THE WORLD IN PROGRESSING SDGS

SDGs show slow progress, not on track to reach 2030 targets, UN reports in June 2018 - but it's not too late!

Almost all areas where you see progress, if you look at the rate, or the pace of progress, it is never sufficient to meet the targets

The UK also has one of the lowest levels of public awareness of the Global Goals in the world

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS





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MID 2017

SDG NETWORK SCOTLAND IS SET UP BY SCVO

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Vision
What is our vision for this network?

Work as a collective voice in empowering communities and organisations to use the Sustainable Development Goals.

What needs to change?

What are the problems identified in the current situation, what needs to change?

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Scotland Network - Draft Mobilisation Plan

5. Who can help?

Who do we need to bring about this change? Who has influence? Who is affected? And who can we collaborate with?

- Government – Directorate, ID Department, OpenGov, Parliament
- Full cross-section of civil society
- UK-wide colleagues
- Academics & educators
- The media
- Local government - resilient cities and circular economy
- Local and large businesses
- International institutions and networks working on SDGs
- All of us, public (to be transformational)

8. Outcomes

What does success look like?

- More people and organisations engaged in the Sustainable Development Goals agenda.
- A clear understanding of what civil society expects of government and itself in delivering Agenda 2030.
- A network space for people to be informed and motivated around the SDGs.
- Increased knowledge of the Sustainable Development Goals and how to utilise the agenda.
- A clear implementation plan from government with cross-sector input.
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11. What do we need to do?

What are the key activities and tasks that we need to do to support people to take action and create a shift?

- Review draft plans and identify priority areas for the network.
- Develop key messages for the network to use and promote to change nature of conversation
- Create clear participation paths for by establishing key activities for network members to contribute to
- Translate the SDGs to better inform people and organisations, using less jargon and improving relevance to Scotland.
- Mapping of the network against current membership and identifying new members to ensure policy links for each goal.
- A scoping exercise of engagement with each goal.
- Promotion of tools and resources widely.

7. Goals

What is the specific goal for the SDG Network in Scotland?

9. What



In April 2017, the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations with support from the Big Lottery Fund UK and the Scotland Malawi Partnership, sought to reignite conversations and action on the SDGs

15 people met in Edinburgh and agreed a coordinated group was needed to build momentum

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LATE 2017

SCOTLAND'S ONLINE PLATFORM FOR THE GOALS IS LAUNCHED

In late 2017, we launched Scotland's online National Platform for the UN SDGs, making it the first nation in the UK to do so

We encourage users to publish their own blogs or share with us resources they have made. Latest events are promoted and the site provides the public route into joining the SDG Scotland Network

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JANUARY 2018

NETWORK PUBLISH OPEN LETTER TO DECISION MAKERS

The Network published over 60 open letters to key decision makers across Scotland, asking them what they were doing to progress the SDGs

In less than a week, nearly 100 organisations and over 300 people supported the open letter, highlighting the power of a Network's collective voice



FEBRUARY 2018

NATIONAL PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP WITH SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

30+ members met with the Scottish Government to assist with embedding the SDGs in Scotland's National Performance Framework (NPF)

Many of the group's suggestions were incorporated in the final design, including improved links with the SDGs and a more holistic layout

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APRIL 2018

FIRST MINISTER AND PARLIAMENT RESPOND TO OPEN LETTER

The First Minister committed the Scottish Government to work with the Network and Scottish Parliamentary Committees backed the Goals

Responses were also received from a number of local authorities, individual Parliamentary Committees and the Scottish Conservative Party

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MAY 2018

PARLIAMENT'S INQUIRY ON NATIONAL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

We actively promoted the importance of Scotland's National Performance Framework to the SDGs. A number of our members responded to the inquiry

The SDG Network's efforts and call for action on aligning the NPF with the SDGs were recognised in the Committee's report

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JUNE 2018

NETWORK MOVES FROM MAILING LIST TO OPEN ONLINE FORUM

As membership increased, there was a need to create a space for discussion, sharing projects and information and collaborating with one another openly



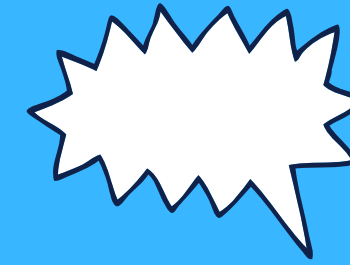
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AUGUST 2019

MEMBERS COLLABORATE TO BRIEF ON SCOTLAND'S PLACE IN UK NATIONAL REVIEW

A briefing was sent to the UK Government outlining the importance of Scotland's place in the upcoming UK Voluntary National Review (VNR), due to be published July 2019

The briefing was drafted openly by Network members and led to a stakeholder event with UK Government



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**JOIN OR SET UP A
WORKING GROUP**

SEPTEMBER 2018

NETWORK SETS UP OPEN WORKING GROUP FOR THE NATIONAL REVIEW

The working group is made up of 10+ members of the SDG Network who are volunteering their time to secure progress and Network involvement in Scotland's contribution to the review

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OCTOBER 2019

NETWORK HOLDS WORKSHOP WITH UK AND SCOTTISH GOVERNMENTS

The UK and Scottish Governments met with members of the Network to share plans and develop ideas for the UK Voluntary National Review (VNR) on SDG progress

This was the first stakeholder meeting with the UK Government outside of London

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DECEMBER 2018

OUR OPEN VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW WORKING GROUP IN FULL SWING

The group, which includes Scottish Government, is meeting every other Thursday to move things forward. Quite a lot was still unclear at this point, but we championed an open, participative and comprehensive review on SDG progress in Scotland

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JANUARY 2019

NETWORK CRITICISES UK GOVERNMENT'S APPROACH

SDG Network Scotland coordinated a written submission to the UK Parliament's International Development Committee inquiry

The submission, supported by 24 organisations, called on the UK Government to change approach and look to the work underway in Scotland to build a national conversation



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SDG Network Scotland's written submission to the UK Parliament's International Development Committee (IDC) inquiry into UK progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

1. SDG Network Scotland has been formed out of a demand to increase working together and partnership on the SDGs across Scotland and beyond. The coalition is here to build awareness and engagement across civil society and with business and government. Where possible, it will support the implementation of the SDGs in Scotland and aims to ensure that the voices of those committed to sustainability are heard by key decision makers.

SDG Network Scotland and is supported by:

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JANUARY 2019

SCOTTISH SUPPLEMENTARY REVIEW AGREED AND CALL FOR EVIDENCE LAUNCHED

With it becoming clear that devolved nations would have limited influence on the UK Voluntary National Review, Scottish Government agreed to develop a more detailed Scottish Supplementary Review

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INDEPENDENT BASELINE ASSESSMENT

This work has been critical, providing as it does a solid analytical base for assessing how we are currently doing and for identifying where we need to focus future actions

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Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production

Goal 12 has indicators on sustainable consumption and production planning, environmental "footprint", reducing waste and pollution, sustainability education, sustainable tourism, and ending fossil fuel subsidies

Summary:
Data availability and performance are both mixed across this goal, in part reflecting the specificities of the SDG indicators. The non-statistical indicators here assessing the presence of suitable plans, policies and strategies require deeper analysis. What data is available shows a positive trend on the relevant statistical indicators.

Data Availability:

12.1.1	12.2.1	12.2.2	12.3.1	12.4.1	12.4.2	12.5.1	12.6.1	12.7.1	12.8.1	12.b.1	12.c.1
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Data availability commentary

Overall, there is plenty of relevant data available across this goal (and in some cases, the precise SDG indicators are not yet available). Some of these indicators are to a degree non-statistical – e.g. the presence of sustainable public procurement or sustainability reporting by Scottish companies, or of a sustainable consumption and production plan (Scotland does have a circular economy plan,⁹³ but implementation is somewhat unclear). A judgement on successful implementation of these plans requires more fine-grained data. As under [goal 8](#), the absence of a disaggregated-for-Scotland measure for the environmental footprint (not just emissions) of Scotland's consumption and production is significant.

Performance

In general, trends are positive on many indicators here - recycling rates ([12.5.1](#)) and hazardous waste ([12.4.2](#)), for example. What is less clear is how far these positive trends will yield a “substantial reduction” in the terms of the SDG target against an appropriate baseline between now and 2030. Scotland’s recycling rate, for example, has increased from 32.5% in 2010, to 42.8% in 2016: this looks like a substantial reduction, but the future trajectory is harder to assess. The SDG ambition on food waste – *halving* global food waste (target [12.3](#)) – is especially clear; how, precisely, these SDG targets translate to the Scottish context is an important question. There is a Scottish legal framework for sustainable public procurement (indicator [12.7.1](#)), and a Scottish circular economy strategy. Inevitably, a judgement of performance against targets [12.1](#) and [12.7](#) rests in part on the effectiveness of implementation. Education for sustainability, highlighted by [12.c](#), is

	Close SDG Indicators:	Related SDG Indicators:
British Household Scotland's data		
		2.2.2
		3.5.1
		3.5.2
		11.1
		Target
	8.8.1	

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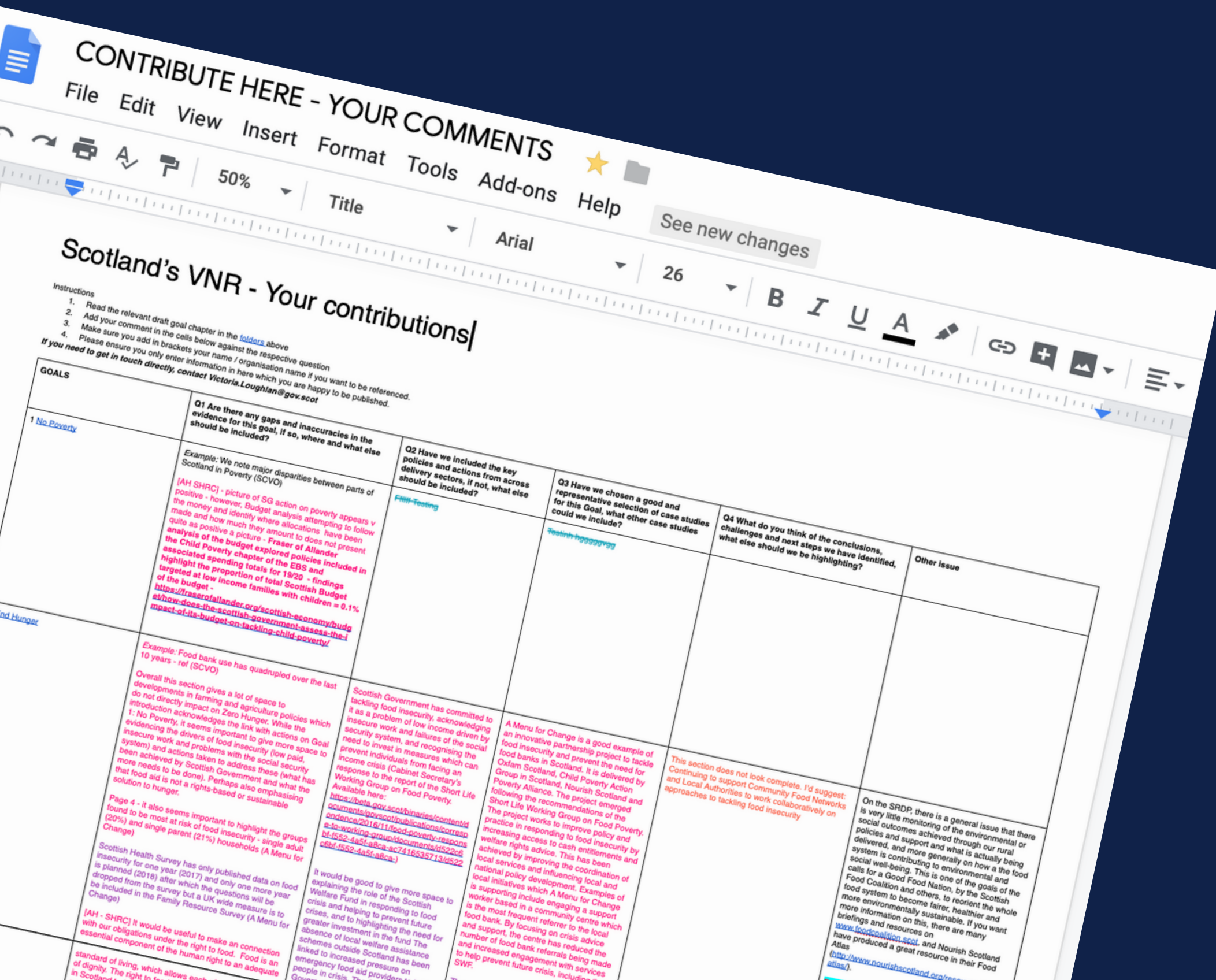
SDG Indicators:	Related SDG Indicators:	Distant or Diffuse SDG relevance

MARCH 2019

**NETWORK SECURES
OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT
PERIOD ON REVIEW**

We want to use the 2019 review on SDG performance to build momentum and a national conversation behind the Global Goals to get as to a phase of action

Our open comment window provided greater transparency around the supplementary review and for stakeholders to share their thoughts on progress



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MARCH 2019

NETWORK MEETS TO START SHAPING ITS FUTURE TOGETHER

The changing environment and role of SDG Network Scotland mean we need to look at how we make the Network valuable to all our different members, develop a new vision and approach for how we achieve this and look at what resource and change are needed in the short to medium term.

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OR HOST ONE**





COORDINATE A CONSULTATION RESPONSE

MARCH 2019

COLLABORATING ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND GOOD FOOD BRIEFINGS

Members of Scotland's SDG Network are now beginning to use the forum and wider membership to draw on knowledge, skills and experience to inform the public policy debate in Scotland.

This includes a well supported submission to the Scottish Government's consultation on a Good Food Nation Bill



THE FUTURE

THE SCOTTISH APPROACH TO SDGS

MAY 2019 PUBLICATION OF SCOTTISH SUPPLEMENTARY REVIEW

JULY 2019 UK VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW PRESENTED TO UN

AUGUST 2019 FINALISING SDG NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PHASE

SEPTEMBER 2020 MOVE INTO ACTION PHASE AND BROADENING SDG ECOSYSTEM

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KNOWLEDGE AND
EXPERIENCE...AND INTEREST**

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