



## Manifesto Summary: SNP

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### Economy, Skills and Fair Work

- In the first six months of the parliament, will deliver new 10-year National Strategy for Economic Transformation, with aim of green economic recovery and supporting new, good, green jobs, businesses and industries for the future.
- An additional £500 million to support new jobs and reskill people for the jobs of the future over the next parliament.
- Will fund the Young Person's Guarantee of a university, college, apprenticeship, training place or job for every young person who wants it.
- Will build back up to 30,000 Modern Apprenticeships starts "and assess demand to see how much further we can go".
- £100 million in Green Jobs fund to support new and increased opportunities for green job creation. Will establish a new Green Jobs Workforce Academy.
- Will invest £1 billion in the Scottish National Investment Bank.
- £525 million to deliver the next five years of city region and regional growth deals.
- £275 million to support community-led regeneration and town centre revitalisation.
- Will implement proposal for Scottish Green Ports, making public sector support conditional on businesses complying with the Fair Work First agenda - paying the Real Living Wage and implementing the Scottish Business Pledge - and on delivering on concrete plans to reduce carbon emissions.
- £10 million fund to allow companies to pilot and explore the benefits of a four-day working week.
- Will review - in partnership with trade unions and businesses - how working practices could and should be adapted to meet the needs of the future economy.
- Will support a specific accreditation programme for Living Hours in the same way have supported Living Wage accreditation.
- National Challenge competition, with funding of £50 million for the project with the greatest potential to transform Scotland.
- Will bring forward a package of measures to tackle the so-called 'motherhood penalty' and encourage more flexible and family-friendly working.



- Will scale-up the CivTech initiative.
- Will create a single independent Scottish Food agency to promote food, drink and horticulture, attract investment, help increase processing capacity and improve supply chains and infrastructure.
- With the full powers of independence, would explore a legal duty on businesses to consider a wider range of economic and environmental outcomes - ensuring Scotland's businesses focus on long term sustainable growth.

### Procurement

- Will bring forward a Community Wealth Building Act to redirect wealth, control and benefits to local economies. The Act will require local authorities and public bodies to spend in their local communities through increased local procurement, greater use of small businesses and ensuring taxpayers money is reinvested as far as possible in their local communities.
- The Fair Work First programme makes adoption of fair work practices part of the criteria for winning public contracts and receiving grants. Will now build flexible and family-friendly working into the programme, learning lessons from working practices during the pandemic to make it easier for women, particularly single parents, to return to work and also encourage a more equal share of childcare responsibilities.
- Will review Fair Work First criteria for contracts and government support grants to include specific reference to fire and rehire tactics.

### Health and Social Care

- Will increase NHS frontline spending by at least 20 per cent.
- 4 per cent pay increase on average for NHS staff.
- £10 billion over the next decade to renew NHS estate and reshape and replace buildings - including delivering a new Monklands Hospital, renewing the East of Scotland Cancer Centre and enhancing primary care facilities. £100 million over the course of the next parliament to open a further two elective and diagnostic care centres.
- Will develop the MyNHS app.
- Will further expand medical school training places by at least 100 per year.
- Support a 10 per cent increase in inpatient, daycase, and outpatient activity to address the delays in treatment caused by the pandemic.
- Will create an NHS National Pharmaceutical Agency.
- £250 million over the next five years to tackle the drugs death emergency.
- Will abolish NHS dentistry charges and protect free prescriptions.



- Increased direct investment into mental health services of at least 25 per cent.
- Will create a National Care Service backed by increasing investment in social care by 25 per cent.
- Will scrap all non-residential social care charges for those who need support.
- New, fair National Wage for Care staff and national pay bargaining for the sector.

### Schools and Young People

- £2 billion - in partnership with local government - for Learning Estate Investment Programme.
- Further £1 billion over the next parliament to close the school attainment gap and recruit 3,500 additional teachers and classroom assistants.
- Childcare before and after school, all year round, where the least well-off families will pay nothing.
- Free school breakfasts and lunches to every primary school pupil, all year round, and for all children in state-funded special schools.
- Will provide every child in Scotland with a device to get online, including a free internet connection and the support to use it.
- Free bikes for all children of school age who cannot afford them.
- Will encourage every local authority to be part of a Food for Life programme so that more of the food they provide for children and older people is locally produced and sourced, and healthy.

### Tax

- Aim is to maintain current Income Tax rates for the duration of the parliament and increase thresholds by a maximum of inflation.
- Business rates: will maintain the Small Business Bonus for the lifetime of the parliament, and will gradually reduce the Large Business Supplement to ensure that the largest businesses pay the same combined poundage in Scotland as in England. Will explore the possibility of levying a higher poundage on properties where the owner is registered in a tax haven.
- Will ask Citizens' Assembly to consider the way forward on Council Tax, alongside the question of wider powers for local government.
- Will maintain the current rates and bands for residential Land and Building Transaction Tax for the full parliamentary term.



- Will review Air Passenger Duty rates and bands to ensure that, once devolution takes place, the policy aligns with climate change plans.

### Net Zero and Sustainability

- Will publish a document, *Scotland's contribution to the Paris Agreement - an indicative NDC*, which will centre on Scotland's world-leading target to reduce emissions by 75 per cent by 2030.
- Will set a target to have renewable and low-carbon hydrogen production capacity of at least 5GW by 2030.
- Will phase out the need for new petrol and diesel cars and vans by 2030.
- Majority of fossil fuel buses removed from public transport by 2023. Will invest £120 million in Zero Emission Buses.
- Will decarbonise the heating of 1 million homes by 2030 with investment of £1.6 billion over the next parliament.
- Will establish a Zero Emissions Social Housing Task Force to advise on requirements in social housing to meet Net Zero targets and, longer term, inform what is required in the private rented and owner occupier sectors.
- Will invest £95 million in projects that decarbonise the public sector estate and £60 million to decarbonise industrial and manufacturing sectors.
- £180 million in an Emerging Energy Technologies Fund.
- Will re-focus efforts on a new dedicated national public energy agency.
- Green Investment Portfolio will expand from its current value of £1 billion to £3 billion.
- Will establish Green Growth Accelerators to unlock £200 million investment by local authorities in meeting Net Zero ambitions.
- Will bring forward a Circular Economy Bill.
- Will publish a refreshed Energy Strategy to map out the transition to decarbonised energy.
- A Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill will make it a statutory requirement for all public bodies and local authorities in Scotland to consider the long-term consequences of their policy decisions on the wellbeing of the people they serve and take full account of the short and long-term sustainable development impact of their decisions.
- Will appoint a Minister of Just Transition with responsibility for overseeing a 'national mission' of fairness and opportunity as Scotland moves to Net Zero.



## Tech, Data and ICT

- Will implement the recommendations of the Logan Review.
- Will invest over £600 million in digital infrastructure, mainly in rural and island areas.
- £200 million of investment in the Connecting Scotland programme over the next parliament, to support up to 300,000 households get the devices, data and skills to Connect.
- New 'Tech-Scaler' hubs will be created in Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Inverness.

## Infrastructure and Transport

- Over £33 billion over the next five years in the National Infrastructure Mission, directly supporting 45,000 jobs.
- New National Infrastructure Company to manage and develop public assets for public good, putting fair working conditions at the heart of public infrastructure projects.
- Over £1.2 billion in major rail improvements, including £550 million for dedicated rail decarbonisation projects, as well as £3.8 billion on the rail network for passengers and freight.
- Will bring Scotrail into public ownership from next year.
- Will decarbonise Scotland's rail services by 2035 and deliver a more affordable railway.
- Will spend 10 per cent of the transport capital budget on walking, cycling and wheeling.
- Will reduce the use of cars - measured as 'car kilometres' - by 20 per cent by 2030.
- Remain committed to dualling A9 and A96.
- Will introduce a new Land Reform Bill with a pre-emption in favour of community buy-out.
- Will also bring forward new legislation to introduce Land Value Capture to make sure changes of land use lead to a proportion of the increase in the price being reinvested in the local community, including social infrastructure and affordable housing.

## Welfare

- Will begin work to deliver a Minimum Income Guarantee.
- Double the Scottish Child Payment to £20 per child per week. Cash grant of £520 for every family with children in receipt of free school meals until the full rollout of Scottish Child Payment is complete.
- Pay a double payment (£460) of Carer's Allowance Supplement in December 2021.



- Will replace the current UK winter fuel payment with a Winter Heating Payment helping around 1 million households and backed by around £180 million a year.

### Crime

- Will develop a new National Community Justice Strategy and explore legislative options for a sustainable reduction in the prison population.
- Will invest to modernise the prison estate to ensure it is fit for purpose - including delivering the final stages of vision for a new female custodial estate and delivery of improvement works at HMP Barlinnie and planning for pre-construction phases for new HMPs Glasgow and Highland.

### Housing and Local Government

- Further 100,000 affordable homes by 2032, backed by investment of £3.5 billion over the parliament.
- New Ending Homelessness Together Fund of £50 million.
- Will introduce a new Housing Standard, set in law by 2025.
- Local Democracy Bill will further empower local communities and ensure that decisions are taken as close as possible to those they affect most.

### COVID-19

- Will commission a statutory, person-centred and human-rights-based public inquiry into the handling of the Coronavirus pandemic in Scotland.

### Constitution

- Will push for an urgent increase to Holyrood's devolved financial powers.
- Independence Referendum after the Covid crisis is over, within the next parliamentary term. If the Covid crisis has passed, the intention is for the referendum to be within the first half of the five-year term.
- Incorporate all UN treaties into Scots Law to the maximum extent possible.
- Will run annual Citizens' Assemblies.
- Maintain and strengthen Scotland's relationship with EU partners, with a view to rejoining as soon as possible.

### Migration

- A Migration Service for Scotland will help people to settle easily into communities across Scotland and access information on rights and services available to them.