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Glasgow Manifesto 2021

A vote for the SNP is a vote for serious and experienced leadership, a programme to kick-start the recovery and, once the COVID crisis is over, a choice over Scotland's future. Here's what we'll do for Glasgow.

INVEST IN OUR HEALTH SERVICE

- We will increase frontline NHS spending by **at least 20%** to support and renew our NHS as it recovers from Covid-19. This will increase funding of frontline services by **over £2.5 billion.**
- We will ensure that half of the total budget for frontline NHS services will be invested in community and primary care so that more people can be cared for more conveniently and quickly.
- We will ensure every GP practice in the country has access to a dedicated mental wellbeing link worker.
- We will **implement an NHS recovery plan** to restore paused services, ensure urgent care is delivered swiftly, catch up on treatments that have had to be delayed, and bring waiting times back within targets.
- To help renew our NHS we aim to invest £10 billion over the next decade to replace and refurbish health facilities across Scotland. That will include replacing the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Institute of Neurosciences.
- We will establish a **fast track cancer diagnostic centre in every health board area** to help better support patients with non-specific symptoms suspicious of cancer.

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• We will invest £250 million over the lifetime of the parliament to support a range of community-based interventions, including primary prevention, and an expansion of residential rehabilitation. We will support outreach services in every local authority.

BOOST OUR ECONOMY AND CREATE JOBS

- We will invest **over £33 billion over the next five years** in our National Infrastructure Mission, supporting an estimated **45,000 jobs** and providing benefits across Scottish supply chains. In Glasgow, we will invest:
 - £67 million for the provision of a new health and social care community hub in Parkhead that will replace 10 different buildings across Glasgow North east area;

- £520 million in the £1.2 billion Glasgow City Region Deal which will support the region to achieve its long-term vision for the local economy, through projects focusing on infrastructure, skills and employment and business growth and innovation;
- £100 million to support the modernisation of the Glasgow Subway;
- Rail service improvements between East Kilbride and Glasgow;
- £25 million investment in zero carbon energy infrastructure for residential and commercial premises along the river Clyde
- **£25 million** to support the Clyde Gateway's 20 year programme of regeneration;
- **Replacement HMP Glasgow facility** to provide a fit-for-purpose community facing prison as well as the **Glasgow Community Custody Unit**.
- The SNP will invest **£275 million** to support communityled regeneration and town centre revitalisation with **funding available for the Glasgow region.**
- We will **create a new 'Tech-Scaler' hub in Glasgow** and ensure that the commercial education on offer in the hubs is accessible virtually to ensure access for businesses in rural areas.
- Glasgow is a world centre for satellite manufacture, and with five of the UK's seven planned spaceports based in Scotland, we are well placed to secure a significant share of the global space industry by 2030. With our focus on 'space for good' – using space data to tackle climate and environmental challenges – we will work with the sector to develop launch sites, grow manufacturing jobs and enhance data analytics capability, building on the support we have already provided.
- To support the recommendations of the Tourism Recovery Taskforce, we will create a £25 million fund to help build a strong recovery, including providing thousands of vouchers for short breaks and days out to carers, people with disabilities and families on low incomes.

INVEST IN EDUCATION AND SUPPORT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

- Over the next parliament we will invest £2 billion in partnership with local government - in a Learning Estate Investment Programme, including:
 - Gaelic Primary School
 - New City Centre Primary School
 - Newton Farm Primary School extension
- In the last year alone, the SNP has provided a free school meal to over 24,000 pupils in Glasgow. We will go even further and make sure no child is hungry in the classroom by providing free school breakfasts and lunches to every primary school pupil, all year round.
- We will **renew every play park** in Glasgow, so that all children have access to quality play in their own community, **backed by £60 million.**
- We remain absolutely committed to the principle that access to education should be based on the ability to learn, not the ability to pay. As long as the SNP are in government there will be **no tuition fees in Scotland** and we will **expand our total student support package to reach the equivalent of the Real Living Wage** over the next three years.

BUILD A FAIRER SOCIETY

- Child poverty is in every part of Scotland. We want to lift children out of poverty in Glasgow - that's why we will double the Scottish Child Payment to £20 per child by the end of parliament and nearly double the planned investment in the Parental Employability Support Fund.
- We will build a wraparound childcare system providing care before and after school, all year round, where the least well-off families will pay nothing.
- We will invest an **additional £50 million** over the next parliamentary term to **end homelessness and rough sleeping.**

INVEST IN HOUSING, TRANSPORT AND CONNECTIVITY

- Since taking office, we have delivered 96,750
 affordable homes, nearly 67,000 of which were for social rent including 22,750 in the Glasgow region. We will deliver a further 100,000 affordable homes by 2032, backed by investment of £3.5 billion over the parliament supporting 14,000 jobs a year.
- We will give renters more protection from unreasonable rent hikes by empowering local authorities to cap rents.
- We will bring Scotrail into public hands from next year and decarbonise Scotland's rail services by 2035.

- We will work to **reinstate or develop new railway commuter lines in urban areas**, delivering enormous benefits to communities and the regional economy, in terms of sustainable tourism and to meet our green travel objective.
- We are supportive of **Glasgow's development of their Metro.**
- Our £579 million investment in the expansion of superfast broadband means every home and business in Glasgow will have access by 2023.

WORK TOWARDS NET ZERO

- Hosting COP26 in Glasgow is a huge opportunity for Scotland to demonstrate our climate leadership on the global stage. We will use our role at COP to help secure a Glasgow Agreement that sees all countries commit to taking the action needed to tackle the climate crisis.
- We will take real action to transform how we heat our homes, to increase renewable energy and to invest in hydrogen as a fuel source, we will revolutionise our transport system electrifying our rail lines, switching to electric vehicles, increasing active travel and investing in green jobs and industries for the future.
- We are committed to **introducing a Low Emission Zone in Glasgow.**
- We will ensure that every Local Authority area will have a Nature Network of new, locally driven projects which aim to improve ecological connectivity across Scotland.

PROMOTE CULTURE, CREATIVITY AND SPORT

- We will continue the highly successful **EXPO fund for Celtic Connections and Glasgow International,** reviewing how it can continue to meet its aims of ensuring our Festivals maintain their global competitive edge, increasing the funding available to Scottish artists and practitioners, and encouraging creative collaborations.
- We will continue our support for **Sistema**, including **Big Noise Govanhill**, and the Youth Music Initiative, but also look at how we can use these successful models to expand across other artforms.
- Starting with Glasgow, we will work with local authorities across Scotland to create the **first Scottish Cities of Refuge**, ensuring Scotland is a welcoming place for writers and artists fleeing violence and persecution.
- We will **create a 'Fan Bank'** to empower communities and groups and strengthen local decision-making by **supporting communities to acquire a share or control of their local sports club.**
- We will double the Scottish Government's investment in sport and active living to £100 million a year by the end of the Parliament to help Scotland get more active.