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The Central Scotland Green Network Trust (CSGNT) was established in March 2014. It was created to provide capacity to help realise the Vision for the Central Scotland Green Network.

The Central Scotland Green Network (CSGN) is one of 14 national developments for Scotland created in the Scottish Government’s second National Planning Framework.

The overarching CSGN Vision is that by 2050, Central Scotland will be transformed into a place where the environment adds value to the economy and where people’s lives are enriched by its quality.

With an all encompassing remit, far beyond just a ‘green initiative’, the CSGN aims to improve the social, physical, cultural and environmental health and well-being of Central Scotland, as well as assisting the area to meet the challenge of climate change.

The role and activities of the CSGNT are intended to be complementary to, and supportive of, the wider CSGN network.

The CSGNT has strong relationships in place and looks to forge new partnerships and coalitions in future. Partners comprise any organisation which is endeavouring to deliver the CSGN.

The CSGNT works with a wide number of national [partners](#) including Forestry Commission Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage, Greenspace Scotland, SEPA and the 19 local authorities.

The principal aim of the CSGNT is to add value, and through delivery, to create change.

The CSGNT seeks to:

- Drive forward and coordinate the delivery of the CSGN
- Raise awareness of, and participation in, the CSGN
- Provide support and capacity to others delivering the CSGN
- Identify spatial and thematic needs to help target resources
- Directly deliver with stakeholders' projects on the ground

The CSGNT's Board consists of the Chairperson, Keith Geddes and up to 13 directors. Forestry Commission Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage and Scottish Enterprise are formal members of the Company.

The Board is responsible for:

- Determining broad strategic direction
- Ensuring key stakeholders strategic needs are met
- Ensuring the company is in a sound financial condition
- Ensuring that the company meets all its legal and statutory requirements
- Overseeing the company's ongoing delivery and performance.

Prior to 2013 the CSGNT operated as Central Scotland Forest Trust. Its role then was to help realise the delivery of the [Central Scotland Forest](#).

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