

Scottish Government's work to support the land contamination community

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Scottish Government
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Where do we sit within Scottish Government?

Cabinet Secretary for Transport,
Net Zero and Just Transition



Màiri McAllan MSP

Civil Service Structure:

Director General

- Net Zero

Directorate

- Environment and Forestry

Division

- Environmental Quality & Resilience

The Contaminated Land Policy Regime



Protect human health and the environment



Facilitate reuse of brownfield sites



Promote regeneration of urban areas

What is the statutory regime?

Planning

- Deals with majority of land contamination
- Regulator: Local Authority
- Responsibility and costs lie with land-owner / developer

Guidance: [Planning Advice Note 33](#)

Environmental Protection Act (Part IIA) and Contaminated Land (Scotland) Regulations 2000

- Systematic identification of Contaminated Land
- Legislative backstop
- Land must be causing an *ongoing, significant risk to human health or the environment*
- Regulator: Local Authority (or SEPA for special sites)

Guidance: [Statutory Guidance: 2nd edition \(2006\)](#)

The role of Scottish Government Policy Officials



Policy Development



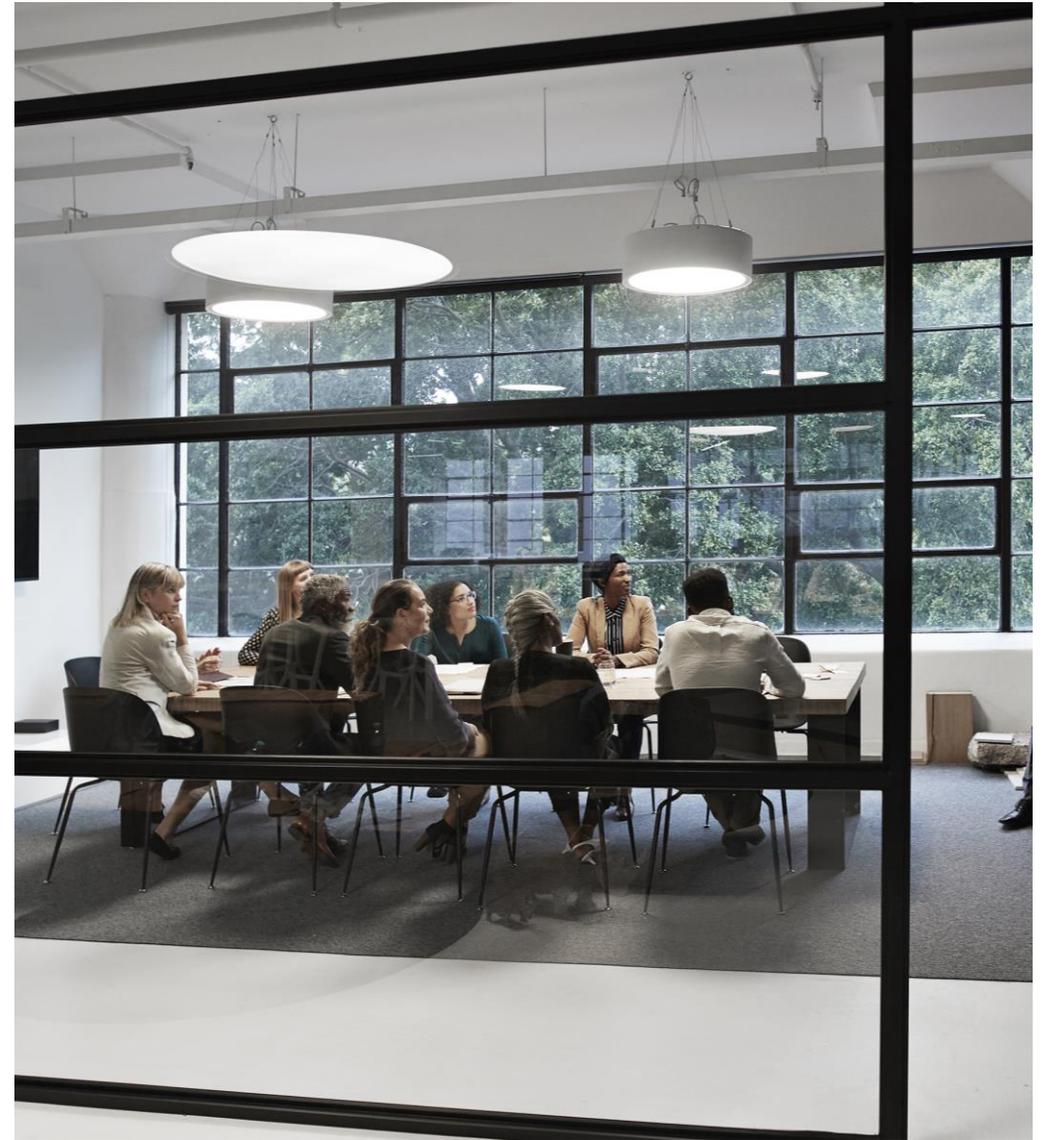
Supporting Ministers in
correspondence, Meetings & site-
specific work



Stakeholder Engagement

The Contaminated Land Advisory Group

- SG chaired forum for dialogue and discussion
- Representatives from a range of organisations within the contaminated land community.
- First meeting took place **14 August 2023**
- www.gov.scot/groups/contaminated-land-advisory-group/



More Engagement

Events,
Conferences,
SPCCC

Dialogue within
government
and with key
agencies



Working with colleagues across 4 Nations



ONGOING REGULAR
MEETINGS



SHARING UPDATES
AND INCREASING
COMMUNICATION
BETWEEN OFFICIALS.



UNDERSTANDING
LATEST
DEVELOPMENTS AND
WHERE WE CAN
COLLABORATE



KNOWLEDGE- AND
RESOURCE-SHARING.

Site-specific issues



Polmadie Burn, in Glasgow/Rutherglen



Tarbolton Moss, South Ayrshire

Thank you for listening!

Looking forward to hearing more over the day and at coming events.

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