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Dear Convener,

**Inquiry into the role of local government and its cross-sectoral partners in financing and delivering a net-zero Scotland – Developing a Definition of Green Jobs**

You may recall when I gave evidence to the Committee in March I noted that part of the Climate Emergency Skills Action Plan pathfinder work was 'Developing a Definition of Green Jobs'; and that the [CESAP Implementation Steering Group](#) had commissioned the University of Warwick and University of Strathclyde to define and estimate the number of green jobs in Scotland (covering current and future demand).

I am pleased to let you know that 'Green Jobs in Scotland: An inclusive approach to definition, measurement and analysis' has been published. You can find the full report and executive summary [here](#).

This research provides a new, inclusive definition to estimate the extent of, and demand for, green jobs in Scotland and offers a significant new support tool for Scottish policy development and policy evaluation in the transition to a net zero economy. It offers a robust method of monitoring and assessing the development of green jobs in Scotland. An inclusive definition is important because it takes account of the significant impact the transition to net zero will have on a much broader range of jobs.

Green jobs in Scotland can now be split into three types – new and emerging jobs; existing jobs requiring enhanced skills; and existing jobs which are now more in demand.

I hope this will be of interest to you and your Committee colleagues – if you have any questions about the research, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

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