



# **‘LfS Connect’: Scotland’s online Community of Practice in Learning for Sustainability**

## **Participant Reflections**

September 2026

Our 'LfS Connect' session on 29 September 2026 focused on '**Learning for Sustainability and the Curriculum Improvement Cycle**', exploring the evolving role of LfS within Scotland's education system and the opportunities presented by the Curriculum Improvement Cycle (CIC).

**This document contains an overview of the reflections shared by participants during the session.**

## Reflection 1:

**What do you think of when you hear the term 'learning for sustainability'?**



## Reflection 2:

### Group discussion insights:

Four questions were asked:

1. What opportunities does the refreshed CfE offer for LfS?
2. What might be the challenges?
3. What support will you need to weave LfS across your practice?
4. Any other comments, questions, or ideas?

All responses can be found here:

['LfS Connect': LfS and the Curriculum Improvement Cycle](#)

## Reflection 3:

### What did you find most useful about today's session?

| Statement                                                                                                                 | Likes |
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| Getting an idea of what is coming, the direction of travel.                                                               |       |
| Understanding the reasoning behind the way LfS has been included and how                                                  | 2     |
| The chance to connect with teachers and other partners on the call and to reflect on the role of LfS in the CIC together. | 2     |
| More information about CIC                                                                                                |       |
| Hearing how it is being shared more widely                                                                                |       |
| Linking LFs and CIC                                                                                                       |       |
| Delighted about the role which LfS will play                                                                              | 2     |
| Idea of where LfS will be placed within new curriculum                                                                    |       |
| Being with others who are focused on this topic of LfS                                                                    | 4     |
| Ed Scot CIC update                                                                                                        |       |
| More information about CIC.                                                                                               |       |
| Seeing how the sciences work (which I was involved in) and fit together with the other areas of the curriculum.           |       |
| LfS and CIC and opportunity for discussion.                                                                               |       |
| Very useful to hear from Education Scotland about the proposed changes to the curriculum and how LfS will be included.    | 2     |
| CIC in further detail                                                                                                     |       |
| Update on Curriculum Review                                                                                               |       |
| Suggestions for reading materials!                                                                                        |       |

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| Knowing others are working on this. Knowing that others know the importance of LfS helps give hope. Hope is essential. | 1 |
| Where we are in the linking of LfS and CIC                                                                             | 2 |
| Update from ollie                                                                                                      | 2 |
| Getting to see what the LfS in the new curriculum will look like                                                       | 1 |
| Large Group!                                                                                                           | 1 |
| Ollie's clarity                                                                                                        | 2 |
| Information about how LfS and CIC link                                                                                 | 2 |

## Reflection 4:

### What will be your next steps on your Learning for Sustainability journey?

| Statement                                                                                                                                | Likes |
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| I need to do some more reading up on this. I'm hoping to encourage it on to a future SQUIP (Standards Quality and Improvement Plan)      |       |
| Encourage the school to do more than think about recycling which was being discussed when I was at school 30 years ago.                  | 1     |
| To add LfS in planning sheets                                                                                                            |       |
| Try to prepare for what it will mean for my subject area. Eagerly awaiting the publication of the new technical frameworks!              |       |
| Engage in new frameworks and encourage colleagues to become more aware of upcoming changes and LfS                                       | 1     |
| Continue to teach it on a daily basis and raise the profile                                                                              | 1     |
| Look up Qudsia's work on relational pedagogy 😊                                                                                           | 1     |
| Continue to bang the drum for lfs wherever I can                                                                                         | 2     |
| Really interested to see how this process will be shared and your How will be fascinating. Thanks for updating on journey of CIC so far. |       |
| Hoping we will be sent the slides to really get to know what the proposals are.                                                          |       |
| Continuing to participate in our local and this wider COP around LfS, to learn from other practitioners.                                 |       |
| Working with CfTE                                                                                                                        |       |
| Keep flying the flag for LfS                                                                                                             |       |
| LfS Entitlement discussion                                                                                                               | 1     |
| Beyond 2030....embedding in every SIP                                                                                                    | 1     |
| Engage in the new frameworks as they come out                                                                                            |       |
| Keep abridge of developments!                                                                                                            |       |
| Read Target 2030: Sustainable Learning Settings                                                                                          | 1     |
| Continue to follow the curriculum changes.                                                                                               | 1     |