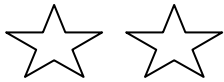


Wyre Forest District Council
Climate Change Action Plan 2006/07
Update on Progress - January 2007

**1 star actions**

Worcs Pledge Actions	WFDC Targets	Progress to Date
Raise awareness of climate change issues amongst our staff and in our activities involving the general public, for example through our newsletters, website and at events.	<p>Distribute 800 low energy lightbulbs and HECs to benefit claimants.</p> <p>Publish 3 Newswyre articles on Climate Change.</p> <p>Support awareness raising measures for staff on World Environment Day.</p> <p>Update the Council's web pages on Climate Change to include information on the Low Carbon Buildings Programme</p>	<p>Over 550 low energy light bulbs have been distributed by Council Tax Benefits and at Community Events. A further 4,600 have been distributed by Members to residents.</p> <p>On target to achieve.</p> <p>On World Environment Day 493 Green Goodie Packs were distributed to staff and members.</p> <p>The Council's website has been updated to include information on the Council's commitment to the Worcestershire Climate Change Pledge, with a link to this action plan, the Environment Agency and EST websites.</p>
Ensure that our organisation monitors our energy use, for example through regular accurate meter readings.	Set targets for reductions in in-house energy consumption, based on 2005/6 baseline	No progress to date. Working with colleagues in CLACS to audit our success in implementing the Carbon Trusts Action Energy Report, before establishing a realistic target for further energy efficiency measures.
Use 100% 'green' energy, through procurement and/or generation.	Purchase 100% renewable energy for Duke House	100% renewable energy is currently purchased for all Council owned sites. No progress to date with the Duke House site owners.
Obtain advice &/or financial assistance to improve energy efficiency & save money at work.	<p>Develop milestones to ensure delivery of the recommendations from the Fleet Health Check.</p> <p>Produce a report to CMT on assigning responsibility for Energy Management</p> <p>Secure agreement from CLACS to buy energy efficient lighting for use in ongoing refurbishment, installing urinal flush controllers, lighting control sensors and thermal insulation for pipe work.</p>	<p>Agreed with the Head of CLACS to establish targets based on recommendations from the Fleet Health Check to inform the 2007/8 Business Planning process.</p> <p>Assigned to Trevor Jones, Management Accountant in CLACS.</p> <p>These measures were identified as part of the Action Energy Report. Currently working with colleagues in CLACS to audit our success in implementing the Carbon Trusts Action Energy Report, before identifying further measures for implementation in 2007.</p>



2 star actions

Worcs Pledge Actions	WFDC Targets	Progress to Date
Carry out an assessment of likely impacts of climate change on our organisation.	Develop an adaptation strategy to inform long-term decision making.	No progress to date.
Minimise our waste production and recycle as much as possible	Increase in-house waste minimisation and recycling Embed in-house recycling at the Hub	All sites, including the Hub, have paper, can, cardboard, envelope, printer cartridge and vending cup recycling facilities. The Town Hall and Civic Centre now also have glass recycling facilities.
Reduce our organisation's energy use e.g. through switching off appliances when not in use, insulation, using more efficient plant & appliances, etc.	Publish 6 articles in the Core Brief on energy efficiency and climate change.	On target to achieve.



3 star actions

Worcs Pledge Actions	WFDC Targets	Progress to Date
Develop and implement a staff travel plan.	Survey staff at Duke House to establish the effectiveness of the Duke House Travel Plan in reducing single occupancy car use. Report to CMT on the outcomes of the Duke House Travel Plan and the viability of rolling it out to other sites.	Staff travel re-survey at Duke House due to be completed February 2007. The Duke House Travel Plan has delivered a number carbon saving initiatives including: - business car share allowance of 5p/mile - business cycle allowance of 20p/mile - reduced car loan rates for fuel efficient vehicles - joining the Worcestershire car share database
Set up systems to monitor and report on our greenhouse gas emissions.	Sign up to Worcestershire County Council Carbon Management Programme	To be considered once our audit of current energy efficiency measures and energy use if complete.
Insulate our own homes properly and encourage our staff to do so too.	Promote home insulation measures with 3 articles in Newsyre and 6 in the local press.	On target to achieve.
Use local suppliers to reduce transport costs and emissions	Ensure sustainable procurement is a key consideration for the internal officers Procurement Working Group	Sustainable Procurement Policy under development. Also working to develop key sustainability criteria as part of the evaluation model for procurement of goods and services.
Carry out other actions as appropriate in order to help meet the strategy's targets.	Advocate sustainable construction techniques for the Single Site/Central Office Accommodation. Draft a policy on the use of renewable energy by developers in new build properties.	The Environmental Working Group are working to ensure that brief for the consultants commissioned for the design of the single site includes advice on sustainability in design and running Contributing to a countywide working group to develop a Worcestershire approach to renewable energy generation in new build properties.