

Minutes of meeting of the Environment Thematic Group of West Lancashire LSP

Built Environment Sub Group

22nd June 2010

Present: Richard Small (Chair) – Liverpool John Moore’s University
Tina Iball – WLBC, Environment
Pam Brandwood - Edge Hill University
Fiona Cruchley – LCC, Environment

	Action
<p>1. <u>Introductions and apologies</u></p> <p>RS welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.</p> <p>Apologies had been received from:</p> <p>Laura Gee – Private Sector Housing Manager Gillian Whitfield - WLBC, Planning Policy Pat Burgess - WLBC, Waste and Recycling Andrew Hill - WLBC, Environmental Protection</p>	
<p>2. <u>Minutes of the last meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true record.</p>	
<p>3. <u>ETG Action Plan Progress Updates</u></p> <p>TI thanked everyone for their input into revising the built environment action plan for 2010/11 and highlighted the change in format to mirror the natural environment action plan. This was agreed by the group.</p> <p>TI proposed to report progress on actions through a quarterly report to be produced after every meeting. This will allow more detail to be provided on specific actions. This was agreed by the group.</p> <p>Please see accompanying Action Plan Progress Report 2010/11 Q1.</p>	
<p>4. <u>Lancashire Climate Change Strategy Annual Progress Report 2009-10</u></p> <p>FC informed the group that it is now a year since the launch of the Lancashire Climate Change Strategy and an annual progress report is available. This can be viewed at http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/web/view.asp?siteid=3945&pageid=32023&e=e</p> <p>The main points to come out of the report include: The overall target has been revisited and brought into line with national targets. A 34% reduction in CO₂ emissions by 2050 is now in place.</p>	

Climate change has been identified as a big ticket issue for the county and 4 projects are currently being developed to tackle a number of identified gaps in delivery:

- Fuel Poverty Referral Project
- Low Cost Home Insulation Project
- SME Resource Efficiency Project
- Spatial Planning Project

There has been a decline in Lancashire's overall emissions, primarily from the industrial sector. Figures available from DECC show a reduction of 12.74% from the 1990 baseline.

5. **West Lancashire Climate Change Strategy**

TI informed the group that she is hoping to produce a West Lancashire strategy that which will bring the Lancashire strategy down to a borough level. This ETG group would act as a good vehicle to deliver this as involvement from external partners is crucial. TI to keep the group updated as the project progresses and invite all members to the initial meeting.

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6. **Any Other Business**

No items were raised

7. **Date of next meeting**

TI to arrange electronically for mid September.

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