

## GREENER SUB PARTNERSHIP CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY ACTION PLANS

This Action Plan is intended to accompany the West Berkshire Partnership's Climate Change Strategy (CCS). It sets out the main actions that will be undertaken in order to work towards the group's vision of at least a 17% reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions on 2005 levels by 2020. The Greener Sub-Partnership will produce an annual Action Plan to cover individual actions aimed at working towards these targets and other priorities.

The CCS is a non-statutory document and therefore does not itself have specific powers.

1. INFLUENCING BEHAVIOUR				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Promote environmental best practice to the public and business	WBC (Energy Management)	AWE WBP	Ongoing
2	Support communities in creating new greening groups in West Berkshire. At least two new greening groups to be created.	WBGE	WBC (Energy Management)	Dec 2015
3	Promote partnership working and energy efficiency measures to businesses through the Green Business Network	AWE	Chamber of Commerce WBC WBP	Ongoing
4	Identify partners and produce a Local Climate Impacts Profile (LCLIP) to aid understanding of vulnerabilities to weather, raise awareness and enable preventative actions.	WBC (Energy Management)	To be identified	To be determined- The LCLIP could take up to 3 months to complete

2. ENERGY EFFICIENCY				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Promote energy conservation measures, FiT, RHI and Green Deal to communities, residents and businesses	WBC (Energy Management & Housing)	AWE TV Energy WBGE	Ongoing, long term projects
2	Develop the West Berkshire Green Business Network, which will address issues such as how commercial landlords and tenant businesses can mutually benefit by refurbishment of buildings and disseminate information on energy efficiency in a commercial setting	AWE	BID Chamber of Commerce TV Energy WBC (Economic Development, Energy Management & Housing) WBP	Ongoing

3. RENEWABLE ENERGY				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Produce and adopt a Renewable Energy Strategy enabling understanding of what is viable in West Berkshire	TV Energy	WBC (Energy Management)	To be adopted by Apr 14
2	Provide support for Community-owned renewable energy projects and investigate further opportunities with WBC building stock and developers	WBC (Energy Management & Planning)	TV Energy	Ongoing
3	Raise awareness of renewable energy, e.g. organising and supporting Eco-Building Open Days	WBC (Energy Management)	TV Energy WBGE	Ongoing

4. WATER				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Ensure WBC are complying with the Flood & Water Management Act 2010 including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flood response management</li> <li>Flood Investigations</li> </ul> Sustainable Development	WBC (Highways)	Environment Agency Utilities	Ongoing & Complying with legislative timescales.
2	Promote water conservation, reuse and sustainable drainage systems	WBC (Energy Management, Highways & Planning)	AWE Environment Agency Green Business Network Utilities WBGE	Ongoing
3	Raise public awareness of flood risk and climate change issues	WBC (Energy Management & Highways)	Environment Agency Utilities WBGE	Ongoing
4	Publicise the availability of Enhanced Capital Allowance (ECA) water efficiency products to West Berkshire businesses through the Green Business Network	AWE	Environment Agency WBC (Economic Development & Energy Management)	Ongoing

5. PLANNING				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Promote the use of renewable energy in new residential developments as a move towards attaining Code for Sustainable Homes Level 6	WBC (Energy Management & Planning)	TV Energy WBGE	Ongoing towards mandatory Code 6 for new developments in 2016
2	Use planning policy to promote the use of Sustainable Drainage Systems in all new developments in West Berkshire as a move towards greater water efficiency	WBC (Highways & Planning)	Environment Agency Utilities	Ongoing towards mandatory Code 6 for new developments in 2016

3	Ensure planning policy provides a framework that responds to the need to mitigate and adapt to climate change including moving to a low carbon economy	WBC (Energy Management & Planning)		Ongoing
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## 6. WASTE

	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Promote waste minimalisation and recycling	WBC (Waste)	AWE CFP Veolia WBGE	Ongoing
2	Develop a West Berkshire Green Business Network	AWE	Chamber of Commerce WBC (Economic Development)	Ongoing
3	Produce an integrated Waste Strategy for commercial waste for West Berkshire	AWE	Waste companies WBC (Waste Team)	Dec 2014

## 7. TRANSPORT

	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Investigate how WBC can increase cycling uptake amongst its employees e.g. cycle buy/cycle to work scheme, re-launching pool bikes	WBC (Transport Policy)	Local cycle shops	Ongoing
2	Encouraging residents, businesses and schools to travel sustainably by promoting low carbon alternatives and ensuring infrastructure allows for sustainable travel choices	WBC (Transport Policy)	WBGE WBC (Energy Management)	Ongoing
3	Travel Planning – Work with businesses, residential developments, schools and individuals to use the most sustainable mode of travel	WBC (Transport Policy)	AWE WBGE WBC (Energy Management)	Ongoing
4	Work with partners to investigate and install electric vehicle charging points in West Berkshire	WBC (Energy Management)	Commercial Partners OLEV WBC (Transport Policy)	Mar 2015

8. SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Wherever possible, promote the purchase of local sustainably sourced/made products in West Berkshire	CFP	WBC (Economic Development, Energy Management & Procurement) WBGE	Ongoing
2	Ensure that procurement policies take into account mitigation and adaptation to climate change	WBC (Procurement)	WBC (Energy Management Team)	Ongoing

9. LOCAL FOOD				
	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Secure a funding package to promote local food in West Berkshire	Growing 2gether	Hungerford Food Festival WBC (Energy Management, Environmental Health & Trading Standards)	June 2014
2	Subject to funding, set up a local food quality mark, support Hungerford Food Festival and investigate the set up of further food festivals in West Berkshire	Growing 2gether	Hungerford Food Festival WBC (Energy Management, Environmental Health & Trading Standards)	Mar 2016
3	Promote the consumption of local food in West Berkshire	Growing 2gether	Allotment groups Organic Research Centre WBC (Energy Management, Environmental Health & Trading Standards) WBGE	Ongoing

## 10. NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

	ACTION	LEAD ORGANISATION	KEY PARTNERS	TIMESCALE
1	Engage the public in methods they can use to increase biodiversity in their gardens and how they can support wildlife in times of extreme weather	WBC (countryside)	BBOWT Living Landscape Project Nature Discovery Centre West Berkshire Countryside Society	Mar 2015
2	Produce simple guidance on the methods local business can use to increase biodiversity within their operations	WBC (countryside)	BBOWT Living Landscape Project Nature Discovery Centre West Berkshire Countryside Society	Dec 2014