

Delivering the Warwickshire Climate Change Strategy

7th Steering Group Meeting

Monday 23rd October 10:00 am till 13:00
Montague Road Training Room, Warwick

Minutes

1. Welcome, Present, Introductions, Apologies

Present

Jacky Lawrence (WCC)	Ian Glover (National Grid)	Vicky Beckett (National Grid)	Matthew Rhodes (Encraft)
Steve Maxey (North Warks BC),	Andy Stevenson (Warwickshire Biodiesel Project – Sunrise Biodiesel)	Alex Patterson (Stratford College)	Tony McNally (Climate Change Solutions),
Stephen Marks (Rugby Borough Council)	Vicky Stevens (RASE)	Simon Helmer (Carbon Trust)	Umar Daraz (NISP)

Apologies

Robert Bullock (Warwickshire Police)	Martin Stott (WCC)	George Martin (Willmot Dixon)	David Jullien (WEEAC)	Les Duckers (Coventry University)
Rodney King (Open University / Action21)	Gillian Rutledge (WCC)	Adam Quinney, (Reins Farm, Sambourne)	Andy Stevenson, (Energy West Midlands)	Cllr Martin Heatley (WCC Environment Portfolio Holder)
David Jullien (WEEAC)	Dawn Ford (Nuneaton & Bedworth BC)	Susan Juned (NISP)	Joanna Righton (RASE)	Ian Withers (Environment Agency)

George Martin
(Willmot
Dixon)

2. Minutes of last meeting

Agreed

3. Review Membership of Steering Group and Terms of Reference



Third amendment (necessary because the Warwickshire Climate Change Strategy is now launched) agreed and to be circulated with the minutes.

4. Warwickshire Climate Change Strategy

The Strategy is on the web site.

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/climatechange

5. Stakeholder participation - 3rd July Launch and business Leaders Event – feedback

Comments from the day

- A wide range of comments were received. For further details – contact Jacky Lawrence
- 16 organisations have agreed to link the aims of the strategy with their business planning
- 11 organisations agreed to sponsor or lead a project
- 19 organisations agreed to develop case studies
- 17 organisations agreed to provide information for the Partnership’s annual report on success
- 19 organisations agreed to receive a follow up questionnaire in July 2007.
- 13 organisations suggested other ways they could actively participate in delivering the climate change strategy.
- 17 organisations requested further information or made constructive comments
- 6 organisations expressed an interest in working with one of the represented business support organisations (WEEAC, Carbon Trust, NISP, WCC Climate Change).

6. Action Plan Progress

Action	Owner
<p>Energy Awareness Campaign - "Switch it off" Final report and details of all activities during the SIO campaign are available on the Warwickshire Climate Change web site http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/switchitoff</p>	<p>Jacky Lawrence / Gillian Rutledge</p>
<p>Mapping of Warwickshire's Renewable Energy Resources</p>	
<p>Find out if WCC Property are to undertake a building survey to see which are suitable for renewable energy and what type.</p>	<p>Jacky Lawrence</p>
<p>Biomass Heating Project</p>	



The report of the biomass heating feasibility studies will be formatted and put onto the web site. In the mean time see Marches Wood Energy Network web site.

<http://www.mwen.org.uk/PDFs/Events/Warwickshire%20Wood%20Heat%20Report.pdf>

Procurement of Climate Change Levy Exempt / Renewable Electricity

WCC procure climate change levy exempt renewable electricity for 100% of the electricity used in its streetlighting and 94% of it's property.

Home Energy Efficiency projects (HECA)

Nothing to report today.

Micro Wind Project

This is the largest technical and social domestic wind trial in the UK (Ampair, Swift, Windsave, Future Energy). There is a need to overcome some non- technical barriers of this project. Princes Drive Recycling Centre planning application passed. For further information see the web site.

<http://www.warwickwindtrials.org.uk/>.

Publicise the project and replicate the good bits when the results are known.

Rugby BC have received their first planning application for a wind turbine. They are working with a school to get quotes for a 6kW wind turbine.

School Energy Projects

Nothing to report today.

Matthew Rhodes

All

Transport

Alternatively Fuelled Vehicle Project (incl biodiesel)

Sunrise Biodiesel

1. funding obtained for developing a business plan
2. establish market, audit existing vehicle fleets beginning with WCC (contact Richard Bedding) in early 2007.
3. establish collection facility
4. establish production facility, create refinery to convert waste vegetable oil in Warwickshire to biodiesel

Andy Stevenson



<p>5. long term – involved farmers in growing seed for cooking oil, then for biodiesel</p> <p>Send biodiesel presentation to Steve Maxey and link to web site.</p> <p>Find out details from Worcestershire CC about their biodiesel project. Where they obtained funding (if any) and what they are doing.</p> <p>Green car guide http://www.green-car-guide.com/</p> <p>Working with Coventry Airport to mitigate expected increases in traffic emissions</p> <p>Contact WCC's Travel Wise to find out progress.</p> <p>Development and Monitoring of Business Travel Plans</p> <p>Put the National Grid Travel Plan on the web as a case study.</p>	<p>Andy Stevenson / Gillian Rutledge</p> <p>Alex Patterson</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence / Gillian Rutledge / Ian Glover</p>
<p>Resource Efficiency</p> <p>EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (legal requirement)</p> <p>Nothing to report today.</p> <p>Sharing of Best Practice in Sustainable Procurement</p> <p>Nothing to report today.</p> <p>Developing Supplementary Planning Guidance for climate change, renewable energy, energy efficiency</p> <p>Identify good practice climate change SPGs from other council areas to take development forward.</p> <p>Extending NISP into Warwickshire (Resource efficiency clubs)</p> <p>Obtain information on the resource efficiency club that has been established at The Hub, Bayton Road Industrial Estate (Contact - Ruth Palmer, Stephen Lewington, EnviroWise, Pam Cain).</p> <p>Implementation of Corporate Waste Minimisation Strategies</p>	<p>Steve Maxey / Stephen Marks</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence</p>



<p>Nothing to report today.</p> <p>Development, Implementation and Monitoring of a Countywide Warwickshire Waste Partnership Strategy</p> <p>Obtain a summary of the County Waste Strategy and circulate to the group. Identify how the municipal waste strategy links with the climate change strategy. Find out if there is a Strategic Environmental Assessment for developing the waste strategy.</p> <p>The Warwickshire Waste Strategy - "Warwickshire's Municipal Waste Management Strategy provides a framework for managing waste in Warwickshire for the next 15 years." See web site http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/Web/corporate/pages.nsf/Links/F0308A956D8BFOF780257106005FD388</p> <p>Liaise with the Warwickshire Waste Partnership to find out how they can help meet the targets in the climate change strategy (planning for waste and the waste strategy itself).</p>	<p>Jacky Lawrence</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence</p>
<p>Adaptation Sustainable Construction Project</p> <p>Identify any Warwickshire buildings in the Sustainable Public Buildings project to use as case studies.</p> <p>Send brief details of the project and partners to Jacky to circulate to all.</p> <p>Find out more about the national facility – the Advanced Construction Technology Centre and send details to Jacky to send to all.</p> <p>Send advice on sustainable construction to Stephen Marks and Steve Maxey.</p> <p>Find out what is happening to encourage sustainable construction in the development of new sites.</p> <p>Adapting County Risk Management and other Strategies to include Climate Change</p> <p>Send Warwickshire Adaptation Report to the group and put on the web.</p>	<p>Matthew Rhodes</p> <p>Matthew Rhodes</p> <p>Tony McNally</p> <p>Matthew Rhodes / Tony McNally</p> <p>Gillian Rutledge</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence / Gillian Rutledge</p>



Communication and Education	
<p>Gathering Good Practice Case Studies from members of the Warwickshire Climate Change Partnership</p> <p>Develop more case studies for publication on the web site.</p> <p>Wolseley Sustainable Building Centre has been submitted as the first case study for the web site. Contact Jacky if you would like to see it before it gets put onto the web site.</p> <p>Develop website to include case study proforma.</p> <p>Send Gillian the link to the National Grid climate change strategy to include on the web site.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Gillian Rutledge</p> <p>Ian Glover</p>
<p>Biodiversity baseline report - climate change indicator species</p> <p>WCC's biodiversity people are working on this. Obtain update on progress.</p>	<p>Gillian Rutledge / Jacky Lawrence</p>
<p>Development of an Annual Warwickshire Climate Change Award Scheme</p> <p>Nothing to report today. Anyone any ideas?</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Development of an Action, Emissions and Reporting System</p> <p>Update the Warwickshire Climate Change web site and include a news section.</p> <p>Contact the people who gave the talks at the Business Leaders Event to see if their presentations can be put on the web.</p> <p>Take forward a Warwickshire CRed or similar.</p>	<p>Gillian Rutledge</p> <p>Jacky Lawrence</p> <p>Gillian Rutledge / Jacky Lawrence</p>
<p>Provision of Climate Change Training to Councilors on Planning Committees</p> <p>Could be linked to the developing SPG work.</p>	<p>Steve Maxey / Stephen Marks</p>
<p>Development and Implementation of a Warwickshire Climate Change Communications Strategy</p> <p>We need to determine what to communicate, when and how.</p> <p>Arrange local climate change related talks – suggested titles: 1. Wind – large scale (Converteam, AWM Wind Supply – have mapped supply chain with 1,300 companies –</p>	<p>All</p>



<p>contact Ralph Hepworth) and small scale wind turbine developments (Encraft, B&Q, Ashlawn School).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Send contact details of Converteam to Jacky. 3. Power Academy and skills development for climate change. 4. Nitrogen / Plasma Arc treatment of waste (Fischer Tropsch / plasma arc). 5. Peugeot site options (Rugby BC, Warks CC, CSWP). Preference from planning side is a manufacturing facility / eco-business park / high technology industry for the future. AWM task force has been set up. 	<p>Stephen Marks Jacky Lawrence</p> <p>Umar Daraz?</p> <p>Tony McNally</p>
<p>Offsetting Emissions – The Promotion of well managed and certified schemes</p> <p>Nothing to report today.</p>	
<p>Promotion and Management of Corporate Invest to Save Type Schemes</p> <p>WCC have been successful in a £300,000 matched funded bid to the Carbon Trust for Salix financing to set up an invest to save scheme for improving energy efficiency.</p>	<p>Jacky Lawrence</p>
<p>Skills Mapping / Gap Analysis to identify training requirements to deliver actions</p> <p>Nothing to report today.</p>	
<p>Preparation of an Annual Warwickshire Climate Change Partnership Report</p> <p>It is time to consider what should go into an annual report and gather the relevant information. Send ideas to Gillian please.</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Development of Tourism opportunities - energy trails/walks/bike rides/etc.</p> <p>Need ideas for a tourist attraction based on energy</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Development of Business Opportunities in manufacturing, specifying provision and installation of Low Carbon Technologies</p> <p>Arrange date for presentation by Land Rover / Ford / Gaydon on their £1bn green / low carbon vehicle transport R&D project. Could include an early evening visit to Gaydon, or be hosted by National Grid if the gathering is small enough.</p>	<p>Tony McNally Jacky Lawrence</p> <p>Ian Glover</p>

7. Funding Opportunities



The Low Carbon Buildings Programme may be a useful source of funding for partners.

<http://www.lowcarbonbuildings.org.uk/home/>
<http://www.lowcarbonbuildingsphase2.org.uk/page.jsp?id=2>

WCC's budget setting process in February 2007 may provide for low carbon work in schools.

Rugby BC have established a small renewable energy grant scheme for householders. £500 is available for micro-wind turbines. £1,000 is available for bigger schemes. The criteria for accessing these grants is the same as for the low carbon buildings programme. They have a list of 15 to 20 people who have expressed an interest.

8. Member updates

National Grid's Climate Change Strategy looks at ways of improving the gas transmission system through heat capture (change temperature therefore change temperature).

9. Any other business

Nothing to report today.

10. Date and venue of next meeting

It was agreed that steering group meetings will normally be 4 each year.

