

Climate Change Action Plan

Priority 1.	Area of Influence	Key actions	Date of Completion	Responsible Officer
Make a commitment to address climate change issues in Merseyside	The Authority, Districts, LSPs, regional and sub-regional organisations and other stakeholders.	Member approval of Climate Change policy.	26 th September 2008	Members
		Sign Nottingham Declaration on Climate Change.	28 th November 2008	Chair and Director
		Ensure that partners and stakeholders include mitigation and adaptation to climate change as a priority in their LAAs and LSPs.	January 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer

Priority 2.	Area of Influence	Key actions	Date of Completion	Responsible Officer
Raise awareness and understanding about Climate change amongst members, staff and the wider community of Merseyside.	Members, staff, Districts LSPs and stakeholders.	Facilitate awareness raising amongst Members, staff, partners and stakeholders in relation to climate change impacts.	Staff - October 2008	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Hold Members workshops on climate change mitigation, adaptation and impacts	Members – 28 th November 2008 Stakeholders – on-going	WP & Sustainability Officer Education officer

Priority 3.	Area of Influence	Key actions	Date of Completion	Responsible Officer
Consider the climate change issues (reduction of emissions and potential positive and negative impacts) in the development and review of relevant Authority strategies, plans, policies, activities and contracts.	Authority policies	Review and appraise all policies for Climate Change impacts during development	December 2008	Policy Officer
	Activities (strategies, plans and projects)	Appraise key activities for climate change impacts	March 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer
	Contracts	Appraise contract documentation	Ongoing	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Sustain climate change dialogue with bidders	Ongoing	Assistant Director
		Integrate mitigation and adaptation specifications within contracts that are awarded	Ongoing	Assistant Director
	Liverpool City Region, District LSPs and The Mersey Partnership	Aim to influence and assist partners and stakeholders with the inclusion of climate change mitigation and adaptation and GHG emission reductions.	Ongoing	Waste Strategy Manager

Priority 4.	Area of Influence	Key actions	Date of Completion	Responsible Officer
Reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases associated with all Authority operations.	Energy consumption - main office, facilities and closed landfill sites	Complete benchmarking of energy consumption across authority properties.	January 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Evaluate and audit energy consumption to identify potential overuse, waste and level of carbon emissions.	December 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Address inefficiencies and instigate efficiency measures to reduce emissions.	March 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Establish carbon footprints for energy consumption and report (indicators) to Senior Mangers	March 2009	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Create a rolling programme of replacement/ refurbishment.	March 2010	Information Systems Officer

	Transport – home to office travel, business use, service providers.	<p>Evaluate Authority transport use (home/work, business) and identify level of CO2 emissions.</p> <p>Consider distances and modes of transport travelled and used by service providers e.g. consultants. Establish carbon footprints for Authority transport use and report (indicators) to Senior Mangers Set reduction priorities / measuring monitoring and regime.</p> <p>Instigate Authority wide 'Green Travel Plan'.</p> <p>Introduce driver efficiency training.</p>	<p>March 2009</p> <p>March 2009</p> <p>March 2009</p> <p>March 2009</p>	<p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p> <p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p> <p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p> <p>Asst Corporate Service Manager</p>
		<p>Research relevant information on Climate change</p> <p>Review opportunities for application of best practice to reduce greenhouse gas impacts over time.</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>On-going</p>	<p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p> <p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p>
	Waste strategy and performance	Implement integrated waste management strategies as	On-going	Waste Strategy Manager

		<p>priority allowing for reduction of emissions through efficient management and improved control of waste.</p> <p>Achieve recycling target of 44% by 2020</p> <p>Establish carbon footprints for office waste and report (indicators) to Senior Mangers</p>	On-going	<p>Waste Strategy Manager</p> <p>WP & Sustainability Officer</p>
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Priority 5.	Area of Influence	Key actions	Date of Completion	Responsible Officer
Encourage other organisations to take action to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.	Capitalising on network opportunities	Become part of established North West and Merseyside climate change groups to support and develop initiatives	On-going	WP & Sustainability Officer
		Review external funding opportunities to facilitate support and development	On-going	WP & Sustainability Officer