



# The Gosport Partnership

" Working Together For The Gosport Community "

## Gosport Partnership Board

Wednesday 2 December 2009

### Item 9 Sustainability Best Practice

#### Background

At its March meeting, the Board received a presentation from Gosport Borough Council regarding the Council's development of a Climate Change Strategy. From the discussion at that meeting, the Board agreed that it would be useful to map what each partner organisation is doing to become more sustainable.

#### Current best practice

The responses received from partner organisations have been collated in the table below with key contacts within the respective organisations.

#### Best practice examples

##### Gosport Borough Council

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Ensure publications are produced on recycled paper or paper from sustainable forests

Establish a greener office approach to reduce use of materials and waste

Investigate discounted bus travel for GBC staff for annual bus pass using salary deduction

Introduce Eco-driving for council staff whose job role includes driving as a key element

Develop climate change pages of the Infonet and website to provide guidance on reducing carbon emissions

Integrate Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation into the Procurement Policy (including energy efficiency)

Produce Eco Driving Guidance

Produce guidance on use of electricity, heating, air-conditioning and water.

Develop a Green Purchasing Guide

Develop material for staff induction process on carbon reduction and climate change

**Hampshire Constabulary**

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Increasing recycling, reducing waste and saving energy initiatives.

Looking at the feasibility of a 'micro-generation' project and composting garden/food waste using worm bins.

Improve the energy efficiency of the building, the main one being better loft insulation.

**St Vincent College**

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Participated in a Hampshire Colleges' energy procurement partnership via Hampshire County Council to purchase Gas and Electricity at preferential rates

Arranged to remotely turn off all College PCs (400+) at the end of the working day

Raised staff awareness via College meetings of the need to save energy

Installed "Turn it Off!" labels by light switches

Installed light sensors on external lights

Instructed early morning cleaners to turn off lights when exiting a room, leaving only corridor lights on for safety purposes

Encouraged students via Student Council to recycle cans

Installed paper recycling containers in key offices.

In addition, the College has sought to improve biodiversity, reduce water run off and reduce the need for air conditioning by commissioning a sedum roof on a new building constructed in 2005. The resulting roof is both attractive and thermally efficient.

The College is located in extensive grounds, much of which are grassed areas that help soak up rainfall, filter air pollution and provide support to flash flood management.

**SEEDA**

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Working on various regional initiatives:

Pathway to Zero Waste - mitigation - supporting development of new waste facilities to divert waste from landfill. Contact - Chindarat Taylor Tel: 0118 953 5932  
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Resource initiative - adaptation & mitigation - working with Environment Agency and water utilities to promote water demand reduction. Contact Martin Bolton tel 01483 484200  
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Business resource efficiency - mitigation & adaptation - promoting SME resource efficiency  
Contact Melvin Caton tel 01483 484200 [melvincaton@seeda.co.uk](mailto:melvincaton@seeda.co.uk)

Low Carbon Economy - mitigation - Regional partnership *Delivering Carbon Reductions across the SE* led by SEEDA with EST, GOSE, local authorities etc to promote retrofitting for energy efficiency and for renewable energy Contact Nick King tel 01483 484200 [nickking@seeda.co.uk](mailto:nickking@seeda.co.uk)

Institute for Sustainability - linking academia and business in the environmental sector Contact Ed Metcalfe tel 01483 484200 [edmetcalfe@seeda.co.uk](mailto:edmetcalfe@seeda.co.uk)

Working more closely with Diamonds to fast-track reductions in ecological foot-print Contact Graham Tubb tel 01483 484200 [grahamtubb@seeda.co.uk](mailto:grahamtubb@seeda.co.uk)

[http://www.seeda.co.uk/Publications/Sustainable\\_Prosperty/](http://www.seeda.co.uk/Publications/Sustainable_Prosperty/)

SEEDA supports Climate South East <http://www.climatesoutheast.org.uk/>

## Recommendation

As a Local Strategic Partnership, the Gosport Partnership needs to set an example regarding sustainability. This leadership role is particularly important as over the next year, communities in Gosport will be encouraged via the LSP to develop Greening Campaigns in their areas to reduce use of natural resources. It will be important for LSP organisations to be able to show that they are also doing their bit. It is therefore recommended that Board members:

- Consider these best practice examples and influence key people within their own organisations to take action
- Send Jo any additional best practice examples. Jo will add these to the above list and produce a document to be shared within the LSP.