

Environment & Climate Change

Issues:

- Raising environmental agenda
- Cross-cutting all other themes
- Devolve bigger picture down to local issues
- Highlight the risks – credibility issue?
- Environment is a long term issue
 1. No single starting point or umbrella organisation
 2. Lots of information but no coordinated message or actions
 3. No collective vision of the way forward
- How do we organise the buy in from the wider community?
- Requires cultural & behavioural changes
- Utility companies are forward planning for environmental issues – why not us?

Opportunities:

- Tap into non-fossil fuel economy
- Industrial opportunities for green technologies
- Use downturn to refocus community onto greener issues and sustainability – preventing re-occurrence
- Use Sussex rural issues & community as a point of focus
- Use influence to raise environmental agenda (Kent environment partnership etc)

Actions:

- Climate change & environment partnership – get composition right
- Networking across all themes