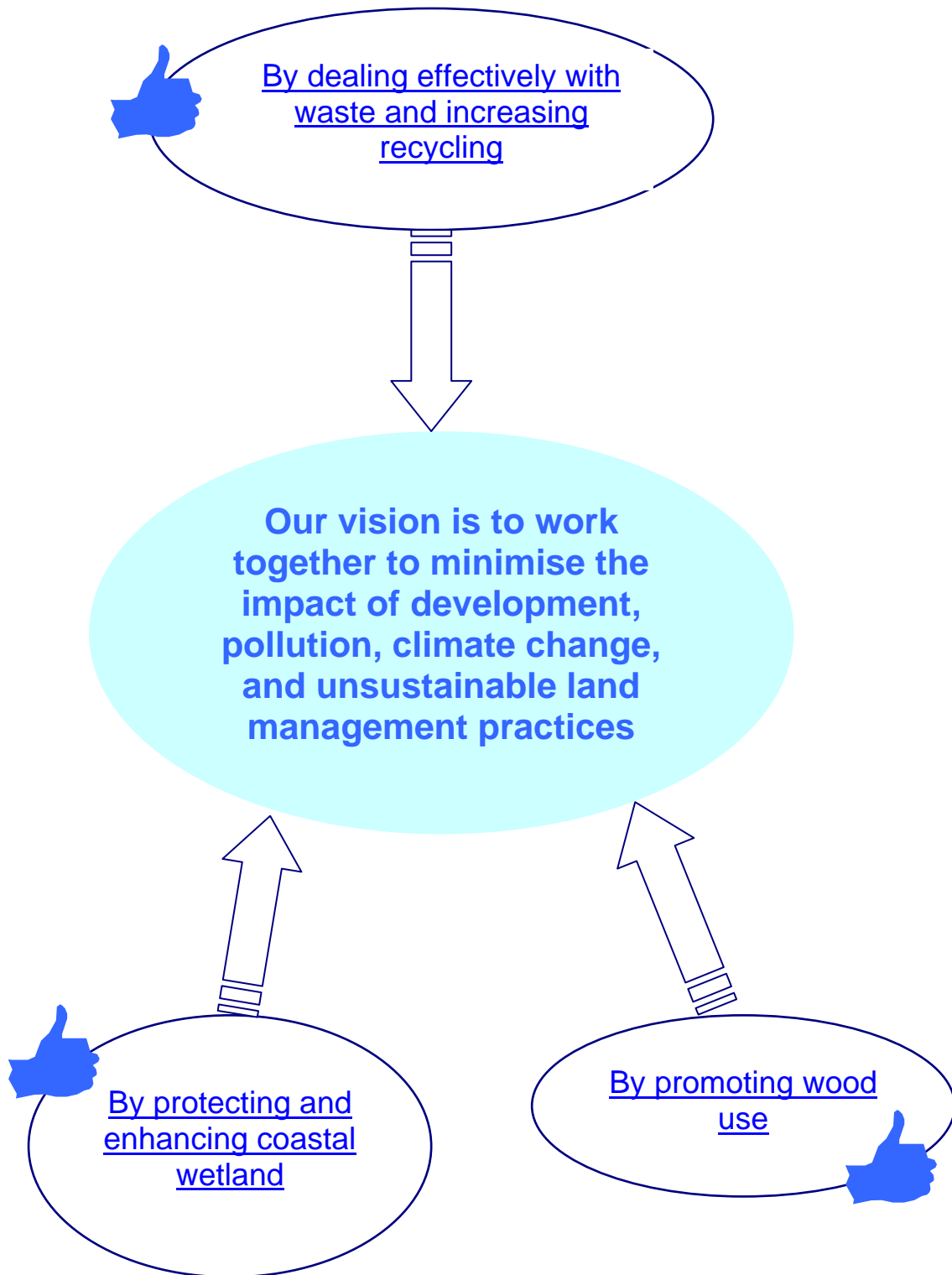





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-  On or exceeding target
-  Progress unclear
-  Not yet on target

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Target 1: Dealing effectively with waste and increasing recycling



What did we say we would achieve?

We said we would deal effectively with waste by sending 27% of household waste for recycling and that we would complete 150 visits by the Re-think Rubbish Bus by the end of 2005.

How does this target help achieve our vision?

We consume a lot of expensive resources in East Sussex. Many of these resources may be in danger of running out, or may damage the environment during their extraction and processing. By recycling as much as possible we can play our part in reducing the need to produce more and more, protecting natural resources and reducing emissions.

What did we achieve?

Our recycling & composting rates continue to increase. There has been a 2% increase, from 22% to 24% in 2004/05 (calculation based on actual tonnages for the first 11 months of that year financial year).

The Rethink Rubbish Bus had attended 138 events by April 2005 - over 14,000 people have received educational information on recycling and waste management issues.



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Target 2: Promoting wood use



What did we say we would achieve?



We said we would promote wood use, complete 20 site appraisals for local wood use as fuel or timber and install the first industrial-scale wood-fired heating by the end of 2005

How does this target help achieve our vision?

Wood is an important natural resource in East Sussex. Reminding people of the uses to which wood can be put



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and encouraging its use, we can help sustainable forestry develop in our rural areas.

What did we achieve?

The Wood Season 2004 programme provided 100 opportunities and events for residents, visitors and local businesses. There were around 10,000 visitors and 130 exhibitors at Wood Fair 2004 and work has continued in preparation for Wood Fair 2005, which will be held at Bentley from 23-25 September 2005. 5 editions of Woodlots magazine were produced, reaching 1500 people. Wood Season 2005 is now in preparation with around 150 events.

We have so far completed 7 site appraisals for local wood use as fuel or timber and are exploring with Beacon College the installation of a co-fired heating system, using wood as a primary fuel with gas as a back up supply.

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Target 3: protecting and enhancing coastal wetland

What did we say we would achieve?

We said we would protect and enhance coastal wetland through the creation of Pebsham Country Park and by beginning managed coastal re-alignment works at Cuckmere Valley by 2005

How does this target help achieve our vision?

Much of our landscape in East Sussex is classified as Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We live in a very rich and beautiful place. We want to both conserve this resource for future generations and ensure that it can be fully enjoyed by residents and visitors in the County.



What did we achieve?

A coastal wetland programme was promoted through a "Maritime Season" of 100 opportunities and events for residents and visitors.

The Pebsham Countryside Park Project is at an exciting stage as we are gathering views, ideas and opinions from landowners, tenants and the public to help prepare the park development strategy for the next 10–15 years. This consultation will continue until September 2005.



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Preliminary work on developing the coastal realignment works at Cuckmere Valley is ongoing and a consultation will be held shortly on the scoping of a Strategic Environmental Assessment of the plans.

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