

APPENDIX A: SUMMARY TABLE OF PROGRESS IN 2012-13

Waste Management

Strategy Action (& no.)	Timescale	Lead	KPIs (Outcome)	Progress/RAG
We will reduce the amount of household waste sent to landfill by 80% of 2009/10 levels and increase the percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting to 40% by 2013/14 (16)	Completed	ESCC	% of household waste recycled or re-used (WFD target): 50% by 2020	A) Target achieved: forecast figures show a reduction of 86% of waste to landfill and a reuse, recycling and composting rate of 40%. B) The waste partnership has: 1) started a review of the waste strategy. 2) tendered a joint collection contract. 3) brought the energy recovery facility online.
We will investigate the feasibility of composting or anaerobic digestion of food waste from homes and businesses in East Sussex by October 2012 (17)	Completed	ESCC		A) The waste partnership have considered kerbside food waste collection and discounted it as an option at this time due to the cost of collection. B) LDC has made a successful bid for funding from DCLG for weekly kerbside food waste collections.
We will identify opportunities to support communities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises to deliver more waste prevention plans and implement community waste management schemes by March 2013 (30)	On-going	ESCC		The Districts, Boroughs, ESCC & BHCC have agreed a Waste Minimisation Action Plan. Veolia will be preparing the Waste Minimisation Strategy during 2013-14.
Following the government's waste policy review we will consider the need for a strategy for minimising commercial and industrial waste and increasing the amount of commercial and industrial waste that is reused, recycled and composted, or which is used for energy recovery by October 2012 (18)	On-going	ESCC	70% recycled and 95% overall recovery by 2015/16 (ESCC June 2012 Waste and Mineral Plan, 2.78)	The Waste Partnership is continuing to consider whether to develop a strategy. ESCC will lead this work in 2013-14, including exploring whether to accept commercial and industrial waste at the Household Waste Recycling Sites, in support of the Waste & Minerals Development Plan.

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Transport, air quality and noise				
We will implement the Local Transport Plan capital programme of works for 2012-13 (19).	Completed	ESCC	1) reduction in vehicle kms. 2) increased use of sustainable public transport.	Examples of measures implemented in 2012-13: 1) First section of the Horsey cycle route and the Holywell to Wish Tower section of the cycle route along King Edwards Parade in Eastbourne have been completed and work is ongoing to develop and design the next section. 2) Battle Road cycle route has been completed in Hailsham. 3) Cycle route between Lewes and Kingston completed. 4) Connect 2 cycle route between Bexhill and Hastings completed. 5) Funding has been allocated by the DfT for the introduction of cycle hubs at Eastbourne and Lewes stations. 6) A study is being undertaken to look at movement by all modes through the Hailsham / Polegate / Eastbourne corridor. This will inform the design of bus measures. This will be completed in late 2013/14. 7) We have developed and started to implement a 2.5 year marketing and promotions programme focussed on Eastbourne, Newhaven and Lewes using the existing the 'TravelChoice' brand.
We will review and assess the Air Quality Action Plans (AQAPs) in East Sussex and model the best options to reduce air pollution below the statutory air quality objectives (23).	On-going	SAQP / ESCC	Trend of improving air quality within AQMAs.	There are 2 AQAPs in East Sussex: 1) along the A259 Bexhill Road between Rother & Hastings, where air quality has met statutory health-based standards since 2006. 2) in the centre of Lewes. A scheme to change the priority of the traffic at the junction of White Hill and Fisher Street in Lewes was consulted on in October 2012 with construction anticipated in Spring 2013. This should lead to improvements in air quality in Lewes. The effectiveness of the scheme will be monitored.
We will increase the take up of the Air-Alert service, which provides free text messages direct to vulnerable people informing them about predicted episodes of poor air quality so that they can alter their plans and/or medication as necessary, by 10%, to 500 (24).	Completed	SAQP	N/A	526 current users (as at 6/3/13).

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Landscape & Biodiversity

We will develop tools to assess the services and benefits that the environment provides to East Sussex by March 2013 (2)	On-going	NE	N/A	The NE national pilot with LEPs of a toolkit to assist decision-makers is due to complete in March 2013.
We will sign up local businesses across East Sussex to sustainable tourism schemes (3)	Completed	SDNPA	N/A	50 businesses signed up.
We will identify potential areas of tranquility by March 2012 (8)	Unable to progress	ESCC	N/A	DEFRA guidance on 'tranquility' is overdue, with no timetable for when it might be produced. Nevertheless, some District & Borough Core Strategies include policies on tranquility (eg. RDC's policy EN1).
We will develop a countywide approach to green infrastructure that supports the management and enhancement of the County's landscape & the habitats it supports by March 2013 (10)	Incomplete	ESCC / WDC / SWT / NE	Improvements to important habitats & species	Actions completed: 1) £10K secured from NE to develop a practical guide on how to deliver green infrastructure improvements, in support of Local Plans. 2) Baseline of GI in East Sussex mapped. 2) Pilot being implemented in Wealden to develop a GI Strategy. 3) Practical guide to be completed by July 2013.

Healthy & Active Lifestyles

We will ensure a coordinated approach to opportunities for physical activity in green spaces particularly focussing on the need of people who experience health inequalities or who are least likely to access physical activity opportunities by March 2013	Completed	ESHT/Health Improvement	% of commissioned health walks in green spaces	Examples of actions completed: 1) over 13 newly established health walks advertised. 2) 40% of Health Improvement Partnership grants allocated to projects that include exclusive or significant use of open green space. 3) 64% of commissioned health walks took place in green open space.
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Climate Change				
We will include measures to encourage and support the transition to a low carbon economy in a new Economic Development Strategy for the county by December 2011 (1)	Completed	ESCC	% reduction in county-wide CO2 footprint	Measures included in the new EDS to move towards a low carbon economy.
We will set a target for reducing CO2 emissions and begin to implement priority measures by March 2012 (6)	Unable to achieve	Working group		Partner organisations have adopted targets which cannot meaningfully be combined into a single target for East Sussex. Also, some partners are reviewing the targets to reduce their own CO2 emissions, for instance in response to signing up to Climate Local. However, Local Authority progress in reducing their own CO2 emissions in 2012-13 will be reported to DECC by July 2013 (eg. ESCC has achieved a 3% reduction (over 1,200 tonnes of CO2) in 2012-13, through schemes such as extra boiler room insulation and dimming some street lighting).
We will support communities across the county to develop and share practical solutions to climate change and exploit renewable energy by March 2012 (28)	Completed	ESEP		Examples of actions completed: 1) successful bids to DoH (£tbc) and DECC by partners (£tbc), with delivery by 3rd parties, to reduce fuel poverty and CO2 emissions from domestic properties in 2012-13. 2) Support provided to 85 SMEs to measure and reduce CO2 and operating costs.
We will develop climate change adaptation plans by March 2013, in order to implement measures in all priority areas (4)	On-going	Local Authorities	N/A	Most partner organisations have not yet developed specific adaptation plans. However, there are many examples of adaptation activity, including: 1) the Coastal Communities 2150 project is a €2.9million communications project running to December 2013 to engage vulnerable communities who are at long-term risk from coastal climate change. The EA is engaging with communities in the Seaford, Newhaven and lower Ouse areas of Sussex to help communities understand the long term risks of future climate change, and what they can do about them. 2) The draft East Sussex Local Flood Risk Management Strategy, which sets out strategic aims to limit the impacts of local flooding across the county during 2013-16, has been produced and consulted on. 4) HBC completed the EU funded Future Cities project, which included the development of a toolkit to climate proof towns and cities.
We will work with partners and the community to implement the first phase of measures in Shoreline Management Plans and prepare a draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy for the county by December 2012 (5)	Completed	EA	N/A	The EA is leading on implementing the SMP2's work programme.
We will support 20 schools to use the Sustainable Schools Toolkit via the Carbon Hub, to increase awareness about the environment among young people by March 2012 (29)	Completed	ESCC	N/A	We have worked with 20 additional schools, which has contributed to achieving a reduction of over 1,200 tonnes of CO2 in ESCC's footprint during 2012-13.

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Sustainable Food				
We will produce a Sustainable and Healthy Food Action Plan for East Sussex by July 2012	Completed	Working Group / Health Improvement	N/A	Action plan agreed in 2012. Examples of delivery include: 1) grants awarded to 3 community based organisations to include local food. 2) Four cookery leader training courses delivered in 2012-13 included promotion of local fresh produce. 3) see actions listed below.
We will seek, in partnership with others, to increase the amount of local food available in town and village stores and markets in the county and increase the proportion of locally produced food in the public and hospitality sectors by March 2013	On-going	Working Group	Change in the amount of local food and drink within East Sussex public sector contracts (£)	Actions to date: 1) a list of local producers has been compiled & circulated to key stakeholders. 2) Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation identified as national exemplar in collaborative work with local producers and suppliers. 3) Discussions held with ESCC procurement leads on increasing local food within food and drink contracts.
We will identify locations where people can grow more of their own food, for example in community allotments and through land-sharing by March 2013	Not progressed	Working Group	N/A	Lack of resources has meant this action has not been progressed.

Actions being monitored

We will complete an investigation programme into the quality of water bodies by December 2012 and deliver good ecological status/potential in our priority water bodies by 2015	Completed	EA	N/A	The current phase of the investigation programme has been completed and will be used to inform improvements in our priority water bodies by 2015.
We will work with industry, leisure users and other stakeholders to identify and make recommendations to government for securing the designation of Marine Conservation Zones (MCZs) off the East Sussex coast and support the Sussex IFCA to implement the MCZ network by March 2012	Completed	Balanced Seas Project Team	N/A	127 sites across England were put forward by stakeholders in 2011. 31 of the potential 127 sites being taking further in the first tranche. Of the 5 proposed sites covering parts of East Sussex, only Beachy head west is currently being taken forward. No timetable for designating the remaining tranches is in place.

Summary of progress	%
Green (13)	57
Amber (7)	30
Red (3)	13
Totals	100

Glossary:	
WFD	Waste Framework Directive
AQAP	Air Quality Action Plan
GI	Green Infrastructure
EDS	Economic Development Strategy
MCZ	Marine Conservation Zone