

Appendix B - Draft Environment Action Plan for 2013/14

Reduce, Re-use and Recycle						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
				STAFF TIME	Budget	
Develop an annual educational programme with focus on the delivery of education in key areas – communities, schools.	Greater community knowledge of waste reduction and recycling options by direct involvement and consultation with community groups and residents.	June 2013	SHDC, WDBC, DCC, DAWRRC, DCRN, WRAP, SWWRF.	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Connect with local communities and business groups by interaction with established waste fora which proactively encourage public involvement in future decisions on local waste issues.	Support and develop community and other groups in achieving sustainable waste management practices.	On-going	SHDC, WDBC, DCC, DCRN, DFF, DCCN	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Directly support community initiatives to reduce, reuse and recycle in particular working with community and transition groups to promote sustainable waste management and which encourage management of waste further up the waste hierarchy.	Greater community involvement and understanding of waste management.	On-going	SHDC, WDBC, DCC, DCRN, DFF, transition groups	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed

Energy Conservation and Generation						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
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Produce a West Devon and South Hams Community Energy Plan in conjunction with community groups and interested parties.	Continue to support the community group partnership to promote joint working across both council areas; Produce a community supported approach to energy conservation and energy generation; Promote and publicise outcomes and actions.	July 2014	South West Devon Community Energy partnership, WDBC SHDC DNPA, AONBs; DCC.	74hrs	No other budget implications	DCC (SEACs) c. £60,000
Review opportunities for energy generation or conservation on council assets and projects.	Co-ordinated approach to increased energy generation and energy conservation	On Going	SHDC, WDBC, South West Devon Community Energy Partnership	148 hrs	Would need to be considered in capital programme on an invest to generate basis	To be confirmed. Would depend on any opportunities identified
Production of Renewable Energy Guidance including requirements for locating renewable energy proposals and for on site renewable energy generation on new build proposals.	Guidance that balances the merits and concerns of renewable energy projects. Currently on consultation in SHDC	July 2013	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; DNPA	148 hrs	Publication costs	NA
To work with the Energy Saving Trust and other partners on the EU funded 'Ready for Retrofit' project to identify and implement a preferred model for delivery of energy efficiency measures through the Green Deal and Energy Company Obligation (ECO) initiative.	Delivery model implemented and uptake of ECO/Green Deal measures maximised along with the associated economic and fuel poverty reduction benefits.	Dec 2013	SHDC, WDBC, DCC, EST, SWDCEP	74hrs	Officer time plus potential for capital investment depending on preferred model (subject to Member approval)	To be confirmed

Transport and Travel						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
				STAFF TIME	Budget	
Review availability and accessibility of public and community transport.	Maximising and promoting availability; Increasing health and well being for members of the community including vulnerable groups; Promoting on-going dialogue with service providers. Co-ordinated approach to green travel planning.	March 2014	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; Service Providers	TBC	Existing community transport funding maintained however current service could also be reviewed to ensure its meeting local needs.	To be confirmed
Support cycle and walking initiatives to increase access to green space and country side and for commuting.	Increased quantity and quality of access to public space; Reduced car travel.	On-going	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; Sustrans; Ramblers; Groups; Clubs;	37 hrs	Partnership work with DCC to promote opportunities	NA
Promote and support Green Travel Planning	A combined Council green travel plan; Support community based green travel planning	TBC	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; Service Providers; Developers	To be confirmed	No other budget implications	To be confirmed

Land and Food						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
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Work with community organisations to enable the use of council owned land to be utilised for community food production.	Increased opportunity for community based food production.	March 2015	DNPA, WDBC, SHDC, Transition and local Environment Groups. Allotment Associations.	37hrs	No other budget implications	To be confirmed Projects are community led and groups will need to self fund.
Liaise with DEFRA and Natural England to target land management support and grant aid in South Hams and West Devon.	Maximise external support and grant aid to support agriculture and land management in South Hams and West Devon.	On-going	SHDC; WDBC; DEFRA; Land owner organisations;	10hrs	No other budget implications	Will be directed to land management for landowners.

Adapting to Climate Change						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
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Support the Lead Local Flood Authority (DCC) administer it responsibilities under Flood and Water Management Act 2010.	Combined approach to flood resolution. More joined up approach gives better service to public.	December 2014	DCC	~ 3 days a week spent on Land Drainage	No other budget implications.	DCC and EA funding for schemes

Conserve and Enhance the Built Environment						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
				STAFF TIME	Budget	
Work with communities on local public space improvement projects.	Deliver 12 Big Green Space Challenge 2012 projects and up to 10 further community managed public space improvement projects.	March 2014	SHDC; WDBC; PCC; BTCV, Community Groups, Town and Parish Councils	148 hrs	s.106 Langage Landscape Fund	External match fund will be sought for schemes
Work with other local authority partners, business and community groups to promote Tavistock as a Key Centre in the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site (WHS)	Completion of Key centre studies; designation of Tavistock as a Key centre in the WHS and successful implementation of the Tavistock THI scheme	October 2013 and ongoing	TTC, DCC, Tavistock BID Co. Tavistock and District Chamber, WHS	165 hours	ED Grant scheme and LABGI	External funds from various partners

Conserve and Enhance the Natural Environment						
Milestones	Outcomes	Target Date	Responsible Partners	Council Resource Required		External Funding
				STAFF TIME	Budget	
Programme of projects, events and activities in South Devon and Tamar Valley AONBs.	Integrated promotion and management of nationally protected landscapes.	On-going	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; DNPA; AONB Partnerships; CCC;	74 hrs	Part funded from WDBC and SHDC core contributions	Based on 12.5% council contribution DCC provide 12.5% and DEFRA fund 75%. Other funding also pursued
Support delivery of AONB management plans and work further with AONB units.	High quality landscape management and promotion of access and understanding to visitors and residents.	Mar 2014	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; DNPA; AONB Partnerships; CCC;	74 hrs	Part funded from WDBC and SHDC core contributions	As above
Continue to develop the coordinating role for estuary management.	Coordinated management and promotion of all estuaries to promote conservation, access and commercial interests.	On-going	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; AONB Partnerships; CCC; Harbour Authorities; Estuary Partnerships; MMO	10 hrs	Part funded from WDBC and SHDC core contributions	Harbour Authorities, DCC, Duchy, Natural England

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Introduce joint working with the environmental voluntary sector and neighbouring authorities to identify biodiversity priorities including work on Local Nature Partnerships, Green Infrastructure partnerships and Biodiversity Offsetting.	A coordinated approach to biodiversity conservation management across South Hams and West Devon.	December 2013	SHDC; WDBC; DCC; DNPA; DWT; RSPB; BCT; Natural England	74 hrs	s.106 funds	PCC, TBC, TDC, DNPA, DCC, Natural England, National Trust, Torbay Coast and Countryside Trust
Support South Hams Tree Warden scheme.	More community involvement in tree and woodland schemes.	On-going	SHDC, WDBC, Woodland Trust, Community Groups.	7 hrs	No other budget implications	Community groups, landowners.
Deliver Public Space Improvement programme.	Improved play, park, countryside and pitch facilities.	On -going	SHDC, Town and Parish Councils, Community Groups, Sports Clubs	0.2 fte	No other budget implications	s.106, external funders, sport governing bodies etc