

appendix 1

This plan is a programme of action to encourage more sustainable policy and practice within Cumbria County Council and the community.
sustainability action plan

Focus for Future Action	Main Actions	Responsibility	Costs	Outcomes	Timescales
Integrating sustainability into policy	Facilitate appraisals of future Council policies and programmes	Sustainability Team	Within existing budgets	All Council policies will gradually incorporate sustainability aims	Continuous activity
	Facilitate appraisals of community strategies in Cumbria	Sustainability Team, English Nature and LSP Secretariats	Within existing budgets	All Community Strategies will incorporate sustainability aims	2004/2005
	Adapt sustainability appraisal process to meet requirements of the SEA Directive	Sustainability Team Environment Agency	Costs of baseline environmental data to be established	Environmental impact of land use plans fully assessed and taken into account in future LDF's	2004
Improving the Council's Environmental Performance	Establish a corporate environment network to plan and co-ordinate future activity across all Departments	Sustainability Team All Departments	Within existing budgets	Cross departmental working on sustainability policy and practice. Consistency across the Authority	2004
	Develop 'action at work' programme to complement sustainable energy policy and actions/targets on energy CO2 emissions and water	Sustainability Team Energy Manager All Departments	Within existing budgets	Programme to reduce the environmental impact of day to day working. Progress reported by performance indicators	2004/2005
	Publish Green Workplace Guide (2nd edition) Continue to develop sustainable procurement policies including supply chains	Sustainability Team Cumbria Supplies Corporate Procurement Sustainability Team	Within existing budgets Within existing budgets	Environmentally friendly working practices Environmentally responsible procurement. Greater range of sustainable products and produce	2004 Continuous activity

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Education for Sustainable Development	Contribute to development of Education for Sustainable Development in Cumbria through the Education 21 Partnership	Education Department Sustainability Team Cumbria Wildlife Trust Environment Agency	Within existing budgets	Co-ordinated work plan of resources and events designed to promote education for sustainable development	Continuous activity
Facilitating Sustainable Lifestyles	Fund local projects which support sustainable development in the community Provide public information and advice to promote community action on sustainability Develop the Eco-congregation Project Raise awareness and understanding of climate change amongst the community and local businesses Ongoing monitoring of Quality of Life Indicators	Sustainability Team Cumbria Sustainability Officer Group Community Organisations Sustainability Team Community Organisations Churches Together Voluntary Action Cumbria Sustainability Team Sustainability Team Cumbria Energy Efficiency Advice Centre Claren (Community Renewables Project) Sustainability Team Cumbria Sustainability Network	LA21 Grant budget Within existing budgets To be met from LA 21 Grant budget Within existing budgets If resources permit	A range of demonstration projects across Cumbria acting as catalysts for change towards sustainability Greater awareness amongst Cumbria's population of global issues and local solutions Greener Church buildings and greener Church congregations and greener communities Advice and practical measures to reduce greenhouse gases across Cumbria A range of baseline data to inform social, economic and environmental well-being	Continuous activity Continuous activity 2004/2005 2004/2005 Unprogrammed
Genetically Modified Foods	Monitor developments and advise the Council's Scrutiny Panel on future developments	Sustainability Team	Within existing budgets	An informed Council contributing to public health and well-being	2004/2005