

Reading Climate Change Partnership Board Meeting
Wednesday 7th December 2011
Reading Civic Offices

Attendees:

Sally Coble	Environment Agency (Chair)
Summreen Sheikh	RBC (minutes)
Paul Gittings	Councillor, RBC
Ben Burfoot	Reading Borough Council
Paul Harper	Greater Reading Environmental Network
Kim Wilkins	NHS Berkshire West - Primary Care Trust
Tracey Rawling Church	Kyocera Mita
Maria Noguer & guest	University of Reading
Jill Marston	Reading Borough Council
Thalia Carr	Reading Borough Council
Tony Pettitt	Reading Transport Department (until 9.30am)

Apologies:

Joanna Laynesmith	Reading Christian Ecology Link
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1	RBC Transport Department
	<p>Please see attached notes from Tony.</p> <p>The primary aims of this bid are to support the economy, carbon reduction and other subsidiary targets.</p> <p>There are six delivery themes. More information on some of these is as follows:</p> <p><u>Personalised Travel Planning</u></p> <p>Plan to cover 50% of the households covered in the pilot, where 7000 people were visited to get follow up information of the implementation of travel schemes. A team of ‘travel advisors’ will be recruited to do this.</p> <p><u>Cycle Hire Operation</u></p> <p>3 cycle hire operations will be piloted</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) a ‘Boris Bike’ model scheme2) rent a bike for 3 years, then users have choice to keep or hand back the bike and3) looking at the provision for fold up bikes. <p>Two of these are due to be up and running in 2012.</p> <p><u>Active Travel</u></p> <p>There will be a full time officer to build on bike week (June) and maybe organize a ‘bike month’ in June 2012.</p> <p><u>Public Transport Accessibility</u></p>

	<p>Revenue based income will be reinvested into the scheme. This will be raised through mini park and rides being set up at local underused car parks near buses, so people can easily use both facilities.</p> <p>Transport department are also putting together a joint bid of £50 million with West Berkshire Council, PCT and LEP joint bid for a 3.5 year program. They are not looking for new innovations with this money but something that brings together good work already happening.</p> <p>The first deadline for this is in December. This is about the wider economy and area, not just Reading. An 8% reduction in car travel over the next few years is being sought with the money.</p> <p>RCCP are welcome to input to this bid through Ben, however the timescales are tight and this may not be possible therefore an annex can be added afterwards.</p> <p>A two way dialogue is welcome by Tony with a view to making links to the behaviour change work when interviewing and consulting residents. The possibility of a RCCP rep is joining the Transport Partnership was discussed - Tony and a member of the RCCP will establish a link.</p> <p>ACTION: Paul / Jill to Invite Anna Windsor to the behaviour change group. Early involvement preferential from January</p> <p>Discussed issues around having a forum to bring health, transport etc together.</p> <p>LSTF have said that its not appropriate for the LSP board to engage in the process as it's a cross boundary project. They have been advised to engage through the Local Enterprise Partnership. The LSP board are challenging this decision.</p> <p>Climate Berkshire (a forum for Berkshire senior local authority officers and a few community and business representatives) has engaged the LEP and their chair is due to chair Climate Berkshire meetings from January 2012.</p>
2	Review of Action Plan
	<p>Please see 'Action Plan' doc for detailed updates.</p> <p>Raised possibility of hosting an event to bring people together for the RGBN. Tracey will consider using an intern to do this. Maybe more interest in this after Jan event and the business workshop.</p> <p>ACTION: Energy officers groups to be asked to decide the remit and strategic objectives of their group and bring to the next meeting in February.</p> <p>ACTION: Ben to invite Kiaran Roughan from Planning to the next RCCP meeting.</p>
3	Social Enterprise / FiT updates
	<p>Following the URBED work, two models are being put forward. Ben is soon meeting with relevant directors from the council to get the direction RBC are taking on this. URBED are incorporating the green deal and new FiT rates into an updated proposal. This is envisaged to be a Council driven body with a wider management group at the moment.</p>

	<p>Another meeting to take this forward will be set up and bring in other organisations like Ebico who may have beneficial information on fuel poor households.</p> <p>A second workshop in June for stakeholders to finalise a proposal will take place. The start of Green Deal in October 2012 may encourage a quick decision from the councilors, although at this point a political decision is not needed.</p> <p>Installations are going ahead and the FiT will be held by RBC and allocated solely for the purposes intended.</p> <p>As part of Green Deal, £1.3 billion is available through the 'ECO' (Energy Company Obligation) for 'affordable warmth' for fuel poverty and is part of the 3.4 billion set aside for hard to treat homes. This can be used in super output area's (areas identified as having deprivation against a variety of criteria).</p>
4	Behaviour Change up dates
	A quick update given by Paul.
5	Consultation event updates
	Discussion on this took place after the meeting.
6	AOB communities living sustainably funding EA drought
	<p>There is a new funding opportunity by the Big Lottery fund called the Community Living Sustainably fund. There is £500k to £1 million community action money available with £60k available for capital. Deadline is the end of Jan. Would lend itself to the CIC model delivery more than the other approach.</p> <p>The lead needs to be a registered charity, and RISC were suggested, but needs to include a number of partners from different sectors, including public health, local council, a business and grass roots groups.</p> <p>ACTION: Paul to convene a group and take this forward.</p>
	Date of next meetings
	<p>9-11am, Wed 9th February 2012, at Reading University - Maria to provide details.</p> <p>Was rescheduled to 22nd February, UoR.</p>