



Angus Rural and Environment Partnership

2010/11 Mid-Year Progress Report to Angus Community Planning Partnership

January 2011

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NO10 - We live in well-designed, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenities and services we need	People in Angus can access amenities & services through a variety of affordable & sustainable means	<i>SOA - % of the Angus population who can access amenities and services by affordable and sustainable means</i>	Angus Council	Established in 2009 Citizen's Survey	N/A	Maintain at 2009 level	Maintain at 2009 level	87% stated access to local services was affordable (2009 Citizen's Survey)	Citizens' Panel Survey planned for December 2010
		<i>Percentage of local bus service contracts meeting DpTAC standards</i>	Angus Council (P&T) and TACTRAN	2008 73%	80%	85%	2012 100%	09/10 98%	10/11 98% (all contracts already awarded)
		<i>Proportion of population & non-car owning households more than 1 hour from hospital by public transport</i>	TACTRAN Biennial Report	09/10 Total Population 12.9% Non Car Owning 5.2%				Baseline established during 09/10	Report planned for February 2011
		<i>Proportion of 16-24 & total population more than 1 hour from FE College or University by public transport</i>	TACTRAN Biennial Report	09/10 Total Population 5.5% 16-24 year olds 6.4%				Baseline established during 09/10	Report planned for February 2011

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		SOA - Area of Derelict Land (Hectares)	Angus Council (P&T)	2008 113 ha (0.05% of total land area)	Maintain at 2008 level	Maintain at 2008 level	2012 100 ha (0.046% of total land area)	2009 112ha (0.05% of total land area)	2010 117ha (% not available – possibly in 2010 Scottish Vacant & Derelict Land Survey – reports Jan 2011)
	The places in which we live in Angus develop in a sustainable manner	SOA - House completions in Angus 2008-2013 (Annual)	Angus Council (P&T)	2007/08 354 2008/09 154	212 programmed	334 192 programmed (April 2010)	381 351 programmed (April 2010)	June 09 to March 10 212 Correction: July 09-March 10 (incl.) 153	Housing Land Audit for 2010/11 will be published in summer 2011.

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		<i>SOA - % of Retail Space in Angus occupied</i>	Angus Council (P&T)	2008 90.2%	Maintain at 2008 level	Maintain at 2008 level	Maintain at 2008 level	09/10 90.5%	Retail Floorspace Survey has not been updated during 2010. Town Centre Health Check (August 2010) : % of units (town centre only) occupied 87.8%
		<i>Quality of Greenspace in Angus</i>	Angus Council (Comm Services)	Indicator to be developed following establishment & implementation of the Angus Greenspace Strategy in 2010				Awaiting audit to be completed	Awaiting audit to be completed
		<i>Number of staff attending biodiversity training courses</i>	Tayside Biodiversity Partnership	2008/09 392 (Tayside)	Increase	Dependent of funding	Dependent of funding	Awaiting Annual Report for 09/10	No update available this reporting period
	The places in which we live in Angus develop in a sustainable manner	<i>Primary school roll in Angus</i>	Angus Council (Education)	2008 8,722	Expected to decrease	Expected to decrease	Expected to decrease	2009 8,529	2010 8,441
		<i>Secondary school roll in Angus</i>		6,892				6,981	6,877

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NO12 - We value & enjoy our built and natural environment & protect & enhance it for future generations	Angus' natural environment is protected and enhanced	<i>SOA - % of SSSI features in Angus in favourable condition</i>	SNH	2007 75%		2010 National Target 95%	Future target still to be determined	31.3.10 71.9%	<i>N/A</i> This indicator is being replaced by the more comprehensive one below
		<i>SOA - % of designated site features in Angus in favourable condition*</i> <i>(Includes SSSI, Special Protection Areas; Special Areas of Conservation; and sites designated under the RAMSAR Convention.)</i>	SNH	31.3.10 68.3%	N/A	Increase	Increase	Baseline established 09/10	No update available this reporting period
		<i>Proportion of priority species in Angus for which positive action is in place</i>	Tayside Biodiversity Partnership	2008 65.4% (17/26)	65.4% (17/26)			2012 76.9% (20/26)	2009 17 out of 26

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		% of total length of river water bodies in Angus achieving good quality status, good ecological potential or above	SEPA	2008 45% 42.2%			2015 48.7% 2021 61%	Update will not be available until 2015	Update will not be available until 2015
		% of total area of loch water bodies in Angus achieving good quality status, good ecological potential or above	SEPA	2008 0%			2015 35.6% 2021 35.6%	Update will not be available until 2015	Update will not be available until 2015
NO12 - We value & enjoy our built and natural environment & protect & enhance it for future generations	Angus' built environment is protected and enhanced	SOA - Number of Listed Buildings in Angus	Historic Scotland	2008 2,159	2,159	2,159	2,159	1,800 reviewed, 10-15% of those (c. 200) identified for further checks/visits	All buildings now reviewed. Further checks on 10-15% to take place by mid 2011
		<i>No of historic buildings enhanced through Townscape Heritage Initiative (Brechin)</i>	Angus Council (P&T)	35 Total target to 2012	12	13	10	09/10 12	10
		SOA - No of designated Conservation Areas in Angus	Angus Council (P&T)	2008 19	19	19	19	2009 19	Oct 2010 19

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		<i>Number of people trained in traditional building skills</i>	Angus College	2008/09 0	40	60	80	2009/10 90	No update available in this reporting period
	Angus' built and natural environment is valued and enjoyed	SOA - Levels of satisfaction of built and natural environment in Angus	Angus Council	2009 Citizen's Survey 94% built environment 94% natural environment	n/a	Maintain	Maintain	Baseline established in 2009/10. Next Citizen's Survey to be held in 2011.	Citizens' Panel Survey planned for December 2010
NO12 - We value & enjoy our built and natural environment & protect & enhance it for future generations	Angus' built and natural environment is valued and enjoyed	<i>Number of visits to Angus Country Parks</i>	Angus Council	2008/09 624,393	Increase	Increase	Increase	2009/10 636,135	April-Sept 413,000
		<i>The number of new volunteer-led environmental projects in Angus per year</i>	Volunteer Centre Angus	2009/10 31 new projects	n/a	100 new projects		Baseline established 2009/10	No update available in this reporting period
		<i>Number of children/ young people active in environmental projects in Angus</i>	Volunteer Centre Angus	2009/10 300	n/a	500 Children/ YP		Baseline established 2009/10	No update available in this reporting period

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NO14 - We reduce the local & global environmental impact of our consumption & production	The carbon footprint of Angus are reduced	<i>SOA - The tonnage of CO₂ /capita for Angus (Carbon Footprint)</i>	Angus Council (P&T)	2004 12.20t/cap	Maintain at 12.20t/cap	Maintain at 12.20t/cap	2050 Reduce by 80% (draft National Target)	2006 12.77t/cap	Being replaced with data collated nationally (see below)
		<i>SOA – The tonnage of CO₂/capita for Angus (Dept of Energy & Climate Change -DECC)</i>	Angus Council (P & T)	2007 9.2 kt/cap	Reduce from 9.2 kt/cap	Reduce from 9.2 kt/cap	2020 Reduce by at least 42%* 2050 Reduce by at least 80%*	N/A	2008 9.2 kt/cap
		<i>SOA - Proportion of municipal waste landfilled</i>	Angus Council (ECP)	2008/09 48%	44%	44% 37%	40% 34%	09/10 43.39%	April-June 46.20% July-Sept 37.9%*
		<i>SOA - Proportion of municipal waste recycled or composted</i>	Angus Council (ECP)	2008/09 36%	38%	43%	46%	09/10 39.08%	April-June 39.50% July-Sept 38.2%*

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		<i>Proportion of municipal waste incinerated to energy Annual/Angus Council)</i>	Angus Council (ECP)	2007/08 16%	18%	20%	20%	09/10 17.53%	April-June 14.3% July-Sept 23.9%*	
		<i>* figures not yet validated by SEPA</i>								
		<i>Grant-aided biomass power output in Angus</i>	Forestry Commission	2008 7.1MW	8.5MW	9.0 MV	10.2 MV	Awaiting Report from Forestry Commission	No update available this reporting period	
NO14 - We reduce the local & global environmental impact of our consumption & production	The carbon footprint of Angus are reduced	<i>% of woodland cover in Angus</i>	Forestry Commission	2008 9.5%	Increase in line with Scottish Forestry Strategy (25% coverage across Scotland by 2050)			Awaiting Report from Forestry Commission	No update available this reporting period	
		<i>Average National Home Energy Rating of Angus households – (SHCS)</i>	Angus Council (Housing)	2006 5.7	6.0	6.1	6.2	2005/08 5.7	Current survey fieldwork period is Jan-Dec 2010	
	Angus is better placed to cope with the consequence of climate change	<i>Percentage of households living in 1:200 year flood risk areas</i>	Angus Council	2008 4.01% (2,096)	4.0%	3.99%	3.95%	Awaiting update report from SEPA	No update available this reporting period	

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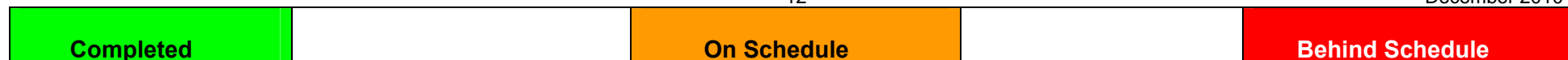
KEY DELIVERY ACTIONS

National Outcome	Priority Theme	Actions	Lead Agency	Timescale	Resource Issues	Mid-Year Progress 10/11
NO10 - We live in well-designed, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenities and services we need	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	Review rural transport issues in relation to access to services and present recommendations to Partnership	Angus Council – Planning & Transport TACTRAN	February 2011	Government funding cuts	Service review undertaken by Angus Council during 2010 will be reported to fit with budgetary processes, early 2011. Significant budgetary pressures.
		Promote and encourage the audit for parks and open spaces in Angus	Angus Council Neighborhood Services	March 2011		Parks and Open Spaces Strategy 2011/2016 being drafted. Consultation intended to take place after committee report early 2011.



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		Liaise with Strategic Planning Authority in relation to relevant development issues within Tayplan; Draft Tayplan to be issued	Angus Council Planning & Transport	September 2011		<p>Consultation responses published August 2010. Progress to date has been very good in delivering the Strategic Development Plan. A submission has recently been made to The Scottish Government/Royal Town Planning Institute's awards for quality in planning on the delivery of the Main Issues Report.</p>



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NO12 - We value & enjoy our natural environment & protect & enhance it for future generations	ENVIRONMENT	Raise awareness of the importance of biodiversity and the duty on public agencies and their officers to "further the conservation of biodiversity	Tayside LBAP	March 2011		A number of events took place across Angus as part of the Tayside Biodiversity Week
		Promote biodiversity enhancement across partner agencies in relation to estate management	Tayside LBAP	March 2011		The new Seaview Primary School became the first council building to achieve an 'A' energy rating, earning it the national carbon trust low carbon building award this year
		Contribute to the management plan for the River South Esk in relation to environmental matters	Angus Council	June 2011		Project extended to June 2011. Funding package secured for the first implementation phase, inc. employment of a Project Co-ordinator and initiation of project to control invasive non-native species
		Review designated conservation areas in Angus	Angus Council Planning & Transport	March 2016		Consultation on second draft of boundary amendment to Forfar Conservation Area took place to November 2010 Programme set to 2015/16.



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		Implement the Brechin THI Project Plan	Angus Council Planning & Transport Historic Scotland	March 2012		New partnership formed to deliver the repair and restoration/conversion of the Merchant's House into two townhouses (by c. spring 2012)
		Develop Angus Woodland and Forestry Framework	Angus Council Planning & Transport Forestry Commission	August 2010		Draft going through Strategic Environmental Assessment. Intention that the final framework will be published in April 2011.
		Promote awareness of wildlife crime across Angus	SNH Tayside Police	March 2012		A Tayside PAW Group (Partnership against Wildlife Crime) has recently been established and is in the process of preparing a strategy for wildlife matters. Final draft should be complete by early December 2010



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NO14 - We reduce the local & global environmental impact of our consumption & production	CARBON FOOTPRINT	Promote and co-ordinate adaptation and mitigation measures in relation to climate change in Angus through partner agencies strategies and action plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel Plans • Estate Mgt • Alternative Energy Sources • Waste Reduction • Service-led surveys 	All partners	June 2010 Dec 2011		Agreement in principle reached to develop an Angus Environmental Strategy capturing priorities of all partner agencies.



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SUMMARY OF PROGRESS:

The majority of indicators used to track change for sustainable development/environment and carbon footprint can only be reported annually. In an effort to improve reliability and validity of indicators, there have been some changes/replacements to established indicators.

Sustainable Development

Significant budget pressures are facing rural transport services.

Consultation on the draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy 2011/2016 is intended to take place in early 2011.

Environment

For all 19 conservation areas in Angus, the intention is to undertake a review of each boundary and provide written analysis and design guidance. A minimum of 2 boundary reviews is to be undertaken per year, with public consultation. Forfar and Montrose appraisals have already commenced.

Brechin Townscape Heritage Initiative: To date £789,240 has been awarded in Priority Project Grants, with small grants awarded of £354,429. Grant applications have now been received for the majority of projects.

Angus Woodland and Forestry Framework – Various one to one stakeholder meetings have taken place, along with a public consultation exercise in April 2010. A further public consultation is planned for February 2011, before the framework is published in April 2011.

River South Esk Catchment Management Plan - funding Package for first phase of the delivery:

Agency	Budget £
Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)	10,000
Angus Council	10,000
Esk Rivers Fisheries Trust (ERFT)	7,000
Cairngorms National Park Authority (CNPA)	2,000
Angus Environment Trust (AET)	20,000
LEADER (Rural Tayside LEADER programme)	14,125
TOTAL	63, 125



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Carbon Footprint

Snapshot of partner climate change initiatives:

- Angus Council - Local Climate Impacts Profile – regular public reporting; Travel Plan (published 2009); Climate Change Strategy
- Tayside Police Carbon Management Programme (Dec 2010)
- NHS Tayside - Environmental Strategy, Environmental Strategy Group, Carbon Management Plan (to 2013); energy targets for new and existing buildings and to reduce carbon based emissions
- SEPA five year climate change plan (Dec 2008); factsheets being produced
- SNH - climate change action plan
- Forestry Commission Scotland - climate change action plan
- Eco Schools
- Angus Lift Share

