

## APPENDIX 3 to Paper No. 10-01 - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION PLAN

<b>Ambition 1 – Leadership on sustainability in partnership with communities</b>				
Action	Who	Timescale	Progress	
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 1.</b>				
The Council sets a positive example through its actions and lobbies national government on key issues on behalf of its communities				
1.1	Oppose the expansion of Heathrow Airport on environmental and economic grounds	Leading Members, the 2M Group Environmental Services Division	Ongoing	The Council is part of the 2M Group - an alliance of local authorities concerned about the environmental impact of the proposed expansion of Heathrow on their communities. The group, which took its name from the 2 million residents of the original 12 authorities, now represents a combined population of 5 million people. The Council, as part of 2M, continues to promote a rail agenda to industry bodies, government, MPs and other public authorities.
1.2	Oppose Post Offices closures.	Leading Members, Economic Development Office		Over the last seven years, more than 450 of London's post offices have been closed through government cutbacks. In November, the Covent Garden branch was the first branch to reopen. Under the terms of the rescue plan, the Council provided £18,000 in start-up funding while the Covent Garden Market Association has agreed to help cover operational costs
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 2.</b>				
Active participation by residents and business in greener lifestyles, local projects and decision-making is actively supported				
1.3	Support "Project Dirt" and promote Eco-fund for community waste projects	Waste Management Project Dirt	Ongoing	£5,000 eco-fund made available to community groups via <a href="http://www.projectdirt.com">www.projectdirt.com</a> . Project pages set up for Green Pledges and Champions.
1.4	Ensure regular environmental features in council magazine and press releases	Press Office Environment Group	Monthly editions of Brightside	Approx 80 press releases per year issued on environmental themes. There is a dedicated "Green Page" in every edition of the Council magazine, Brightside. December 2009 issue focused on waste minimisation.  <u>Key target:</u> environmental story/stories in every issue of Brightside
1.5	Hold Green Champions and Green Business Awards competitions	Waste Management Economic Development Office	Annual	Award Ceremony to take place on February 2010.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 3.</b>				
Organisations in the borough are encouraged, supported or required to improve their environmental practices.				

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1.6	Promote and offer tailored support to business to improve their environmental practices	Southlondonbiz Economic Development Office	200 businesses to be supported by 2012	European Regional Development Funds won to develop Go Green Plus programme for a three year period commencing March 2009. At least 200 Wandsworth business will receive a green healthcheck and 12 hrs of support as a result of this South London Partnership.  <u>Key target:</u> 200 businesses to be supported by 2012
1.7	Ensure that all Wandsworth business comply with Duty of Care requirements	Waste Management – Enforcement		Enforcement officers from the Waste Management Service undertake hundreds of Duty of Care checks annually on local businesses. £300 fixed penalty notices are issued to those failing to comply, leading to prosecution if not paid.
1.8	Use the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme to deliver well-planned naturally ventilated and low carbon sustainable school buildings	BSF Team, Children's Services	Preferred bidder to be appointed – Winter 2010 Construction of preferred schools - Spring 2011	BSF will see major investment in all 16 secondary and secondary special schools, with extensive remodelling and new build. It is the largest single programme for a generation and will include £22m of ICT investment. In September 2009, three companies were selected to go through to the next stage of tendering for this £300m programme. Southfields Community College and Burntwood School will be the first in this programme that will involve building a new Catholic secondary school, Saint John Bosco and completely remodelling Elliot School in Putney.  All schemes will be expected to achieve a Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) standard of "very good" as well as meeting the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment's (CABE) minimum design standards, which include sustainability.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 4.</b> Active participation by young people in local projects and decision-making is actively supported, alongside education for sustainable development through the curriculum.				
1.9	Hold annual Model United Nations General Assembly (MUNGA) event	Children's Services	Annual	Successful MUNGA event for primary schools in July 2009. First secondary schools event "Countdown to Copenhagen" took place on 9 <sup>th</sup> December and six secondary schools participated. Schools represented different countries and their points of view, followed by debate and consensus on international action.
1.10	Ensure that all schools are Sustainable Schools by 2020	Children's Services		The Government would like every school to be a sustainable school by 2020 and has established a National Framework for Sustainable Schools to help schools understand what they need to do to achieve this. Sustainable Schools network established in 2009 to help schools share and support each other.

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1.11	Encourage sustainable school travel	Childrens' Services, Technical Services	All schools to have travel plan by 2012	91 schools (79%) had approved travel plans as at October 2009. This includes independent schools. 7 of the 24 schools without travel plans are working towards having them by the end of 2009. 34 schools took part in Walk to School Week in October 2009. 43 schools are taking part in Walk on Wednesdays/Walk Once a Week 25% of pupils travelled to school by car in 2008/09.  <u>Key target:</u> Ensure that all schools have a travel plan by 2012
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 5.</b>				
As part of good governance, mechanisms and opportunities are provided for strategic partners to work together to achieve a more sustainable borough				
1.12	Establish Environmental Sub-group to Wandsworth Local Strategic Partnership (WLSP)	WLSP	Meetings to be held 2 weeks before WLSP	First sub-group meeting held in December 2009. Decision taken to focus initially on reducing borough-wide carbon dioxide emissions.
1.13	Investigate feasibility of a Wandsworth Climate Change Alliance	WLSP	During 2010	Wandsworth climate change conference held on 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2009 with partners. Considerable support expressed for setting up an alliance of key stakeholders to lead and support others to reduce emissions.
1.14	Support the operation of a Groundwork Trust in the Borough and monitor outcomes	Inter-dept Groundwork Steering Group	Annual report to E&L OSC	Groundwork's annual work programme and targets are overseen by cross departmental steering group. Progress on this was last reported to the Environment and Leisure OSC in June 2009, See Paper No. 09-492. The second year of the partnership with Groundwork shows progress made on 18 projects. Priority areas are: Open spaces; Wandle corridor; Youth; Town centres and business. The Trust achieved a turnover of £271,899 during 2008/09. This leverage is below target due to recession effects on fundraising.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 6.</b>				
Staff are trained to be skilled and motivated to deliver services in an environmentally responsible manner.				
1.15	Identify and deliver relevant sustainability training / support / procedures	Service Heads, Procurement Advisory Group, , Personnel	Sustainable procurement training in 2010.	Sustainable Procurement Training identified as a priority for 2010 for contract managers. To be undertaken with support from London Remade.

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1.16	Continue to support Green Champions group and investigate potential to develop energy awareness / energy marshalls programme	Waste Management Local Authority Carbon Management Team/ Board	Group meets quarterly	Volunteers from across the Council meet regularly to discuss how the environmental impacts of Council staff activities and office premises can be reduced and to encourage colleagues outside the group to become greener. Options for formalizing the Group to ensure comprehensive representation across the Council being considered.

## Ambition 2 – Reduced greenhouse gas emissions and reliance on fossil fuels

Action	Who	Timescale	Progress	
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 7</b>				
Opportunities for reducing the Council's and borough-wide emissions are actively pursued				
2.1	Produce a targeted action plan to reduce the Council's carbon dioxide emissions and identify opportunities for low carbon projects	Wandsworth's Carbon Management Team and Board with support from the Carbon Trust	Costed carbon reduction plan to be approved by March 2010  Annual Energy Management Team Report	Wandsworth is a participant in Round 7 of the Carbon Trust's Local Authority Carbon Management (LACM) programme. Carbon Reduction plan to include actions to reduce emissions due to council premises, social housing, streetlighting, IT, fleet and business travel.  <u>Key Targets:</u> (1) to reduce the Council's emissions by 4% by March 2011 from a 2008/09 baseline (excluding social housing) (NI 185) (2) to reduce the Council's CO2 emissions by 10% by 2015 and by 20% by 2025 from a 2008/09 LACM baseline (includes all council operations, buildings transport, contractors, schools and social housing).
2.2	Make full use of the Salix Fund for compliant energy efficiency schemes	As above	£105,250 to be spent during 2010/11	£100,000 has been contributed by Salix towards an Energy Management Fund. The Council has matched this amount, producing a total fund of £200,000 to be used to finance energy management schemes. Schemes need to meet criteria set by Salix for carbon, energy saving and financial payback. Schemes to the value of £167,000 have already been funded or committed from the Fund over the last three years and the balance available to spend at the end of 2009/10 will be £105,250. Guidance note drafted by the Finance Dept to encourage take up.
2.3	Ensure that the Council is prepared for the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) Energy Efficiency Scheme	As above	CRC comes into force in April 2010.	The Council was successful in its application for the Carbon Trust Standard in November 2009. <a href="http://www.carbontruststandard.com/">http://www.carbontruststandard.com/</a> This is an "early action metric" qualifying it for an improved position in the first three years of CRC league tables. Wandsworth is one of only 3 London Councils with this award that recognizes success in reducing emissions year on year.

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2.4	Ensure that schools take steps to reduce their CO2 emissions and are aware of their responsibilities under the CRC	As above + Wastewatch	As above	Event being organized with Carbon Trust in Jan/Feb 2010 to pursue best practice in schools energy reduction. Wastewatch have been commissioned to undertake carbon management work and energy/CRC awareness amongst 10 Wandsworth schools during 2009/10. Smart Metering being considered to enable remote readings of energy usage from school buildings.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 8.</b> Businesses and other organisations are encouraged to reduce their emissions				
2.5	Promote and offer tailored support to business to reduce their emissions. See 1.6	southlondon.biz Economic Development Office	200 businesses to be supported by 2012	Go Green Plus Programme is working with business to reduce their carbon dioxide emissions (as well as other environmental impacts – waste, transport etc)
2.6	Seek travel plans from developers and contributions towards alternative forms of transport as part of site redevelopment.	Planning Service	Ongoing	Regular liaison with St George’s Hospital, supporting development of their travel plan to reduce the impact of travel to the site. Other travel plans being progressed in partnership with SWELTRAC (South and West London Transport Conference) and via Transport for London’s “Enterprise” travel plan promotion package.  Update on major sustainable transport projects and the number of travel plans approved.
2.7	Stop waste being sent to landfill. See. 4.4.	Waste Management	Switch from landfill to energy from waste in 2011	Landfilling is a waste of resources and biodegradable waste in landfill generates 40% of the UK’s methane emissions. Methane is a greenhouse gas 20 time more potent than carbon dioxide.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 9.</b> Opportunities for reducing emissions from peoples’ homes, both council and private, are actively pursued in parallel with fuel poverty goals				

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Action		Who	Timescale	Progress
2.8	Improve the thermal efficiency of private sector dwellings via grants, advice and loans	Private Sector Housing, Environmental Services, Creative Environment Networks (CEN)	Annual Home Energy Conservation Act (HECA) programme.	<p>Since 1996, there has been a 25% improvement in the energy efficiency of private sector homes in the Borough at a cost of £194m. Since 2004, the energy efficiency of 893 dwellings occupied by vulnerable people has been improved. The following schemes are being delivered in partnership with CEN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coldbusters: sub-regional since 2004, £750,000 in 2009/10;</li> <li>• Warm Front: EAGA partnership, national scheme</li> <li>• Houseproud Equity release: Owners &gt;60</li> <li>• Energysmart: Discount scheme for EE measures; CEN</li> <li>• Sunrise: Discounted solar thermal; CEN</li> <li>• Hotspots: Collates data for targeting</li> </ul> <p>NI 187 Survey results indicate that In 2008/09, 13% of those on income-based benefits lived in poorly insulated homes (SAP &lt; 35), while 30% occupied homes of a good standard or higher (SAP&gt;65).</p> <p><u>Key target:</u> to avoid an increase the % of people receiving income based benefits living in poorly insulated homes (NI 187)</p>
2.9	Improve the thermal efficiency of council homes through refurbishment programmes	Housing Dept	SHESP improvements completed by July 2011	<p>£8M Social Housing Energy Saving Programme (SHESP) funding awarded to the Housing Dept in July 2009 by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). This is to insulate hard to treat properties and is the largest award in the UK. It aims to help social landlords insulate hard to treat cavity walls to make homes more energy efficient. The SHESP programme is to be delivered over two years.</p> <p>Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP) energy rating of council-managed stock increased from 72% in 2006/07 to 78% in 2008/09.</p> <p><u>Key target:</u> to increase the average SAP rating of council-owned dwellings to 81 by March 2012.</p>
2.10	Identify further funding opportunities and investigate ways to divert resources for more energy efficient homes	Policy Unit Housing Dept Private Sector Housing Energy Management Team		

### Environmental Policy Aim 10

The impact of transport on the local and global environment is minimised, without reducing access

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Action		Who	Timescale	Progress
2.11	Facilitate the expansion of car clubs	Planning Service/ Engineering and Design Services		The Car Club continues to expand, with more than 7,100 members as at September 2009. Ten new on-street car club bays were implemented in June 2009.
2.12	Deliver Mayoral transportation outputs in accordance with 2 <sup>nd</sup> Local Implementation Plan (LIP)	Transportation	In accordance with LIP timescales	New measures to be established with the Mayor to quantify and report on sustainable transport improvements. Draft LIP guidance has been produced on this, but subject to change. New LIP reporting to commence from April 2011.

### Environmental Policy Aim 11

Staff car use and the environmental impact of the council's and contractors fleets is reduced

2.13	Promote alternatives to the private car via the Council Services Travel Plan (CSTP)	Planning Service		In 2008/09 a third annual Bike to Work day was held in Fairfield Annexe, promoting cycling to staff. Pool bike availability has been expanded to all departments including a new folding bike based at 90 Putney Bridge Road. Staff participated in Walking Challenge and Cycle Challenge promotions in 2009. A cycling and HGV safety event was also held at Frogmore. Latest data from CSTP surveys (Dec 2006) showed 17% of staff walking or cycling to work, up from 12% in 1998 when the CSTP was launched.
2.14	Reduce fleet mileage and increase the proportion of the fleet using low carbon technology	Fleet Manager		A large part of the car-derived van and HGV fleet have been replaced to ensure compliance with the London Low Emissions Zone . Under the terms of the new fleet contract, the majority of the Liquid Petroleum Gas vehicles in the Council's fleet were replaced by diesel cars and vans in 2008. The new diesel vehicles are fuel-efficient and have lower CO2 emissions and maintenance costs than those they replace. Estimates of 2008/09 CO2 emissions from the Council's fleet were 919 tonnes.

### Environmental Policy Aim 11

More sustainable designs and low carbon options are adopted for all new developments and refurbishments.

2.15	Include firm planning policies for sustainable development and low carbon buildings and monitor their implementation	Planning Service	LDF timescales	The Core Strategy Policy IS2 supports measures to improve energy conservation and efficiency and contributions to renewable energy. It also encourages all new residential development to achieve at least level 3 of the Code for Sustainable Homes, and non-residential development to achieve a minimum of a 'very good' BREEAM rating The Core Strategy also includes the London Plan requirement for developments to reduce predicted CO2 emissions by 20% through on-site renewable energy generation. To be monitored via Annual Monitoring Report.
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Action		Who	Timescale	Progress
2.16	Ensure that Sustainability Impact Appraisals (SIAs) are conducted for major projects in the Council's capital programme.	Premises Managers, Property Audit		SIAs introduced in March 2009 and conducted on four children's services schemes to date.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 12</b>				
Unsustainable new developments, such as the proposed expansion of Heathrow Airport and major road building, continue to be opposed				
2.17	Oppose the expansion of Heathrow Airport on environmental and economic grounds. See 1.1	Leading Members, the 2M Group Environmental Services Division		

## Ambition 3 – Resilience to the effects of climate change

Action		Who	Timescale	Progress
3.1	Prepare comprehensive Climate Change Adaptation Plan to respond to predicted effects of climate change	Policy Unit, Emergency Services, Climate Change Adaptation Group	NI 188 To reach: Level 2 – March 2010 Level 3- March 2011	Climate Change Adaptation group formed in November 2008 and an outline of risks identified. Local Climate Impact Profile work underway and to complete in January 2010.  Level 1 of self assessment NI 188 matrix reached by March 2009.  <u>Key target:</u> NI 188 - progress on assessing and managing climate risks and opportunities, and incorporating appropriate action into local authority and partners' strategic planning. Level 3 (comprehensive action plan) to be produced by March 2011
3.2	Introduce water efficiency measures into new developments and refurbishments and reduce the council's use of water across all operations	Energy Management Team, Housing, Premises Officer, Parks		A metered water reduction of 13.9% was achieved in 2008/09 compared to a base year of 2004/05. This resulted in savings of £36,000 and exceeded the target of a 5% reduction by 2010.

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3.3	Ensure that planning documents contain suitable flooding polices and work with the Environment Agency to implement NI 189	Planning Service	DMP consultation to 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2010.
			Strategic Flood Risk Assessment undertaken and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDS) policies included in Core Strategy. The Core Strategy was submitted to the Secretary of State in March 2009 and is being examined by an independent inspector. Consultation on the more detailed Development Management Policies (DMP) and Site Specific Allocations currently underway (11 <sup>th</sup> December 2009 – 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2010).  100% of agreed NI 189 actions implemented during 2008/09.  <u>Key target:</u> Percentage of agreed actions to implement long term flood risk management plans that are being undertaken satisfactorily (NI 189)
3.4	Ensure that Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme addresses climate change adaptation issue. See 1.8	Children's Services	Preferred bidder to be appointed – Winter 2010 Construction of preferred schools - Spring 2011
			Proposals being developed under the BSF Programme will contain design solutions that will be responsive to climate change. These may involve orientation of buildings to minimise glare, opportunities for shading, measures to minimise the impact of increased precipitation and or/discharge of water from hard surfaced areas, sustainable underground drainage systems, sedum roofs, grey water and water harvesting measures, sustainability and renewals in respect of photo-voltaic, ground/air source heat pumps and opportunities to maximise the thermal mass of buildings

### Ambition 4 – Consumption of resources, energy and pollution

Action	Who	Timescale	Progress
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 13</b>			
Waste minimisation, re-use, recycling, composting and Energy from Waste is promoted (in that order) to reduce waste-related environmental impacts			
4.1	Promote waste minimisation	Waste management	Reduce residual household waste to 519kg per household by March 2012
			A communications campaign was launched during 2009/10 to encourage residents to produce less waste. Roll-out of town centre time-banding initiative expected to further reduce the quantity of abandoned commercial waste entering the municipal waste stream. Successful on-site waste pyrolysis trial undertaken in September 2009. The quantity of municipal waste fell by 18% during the 5 years to 2008/09 despite a 6% increase in the number of households. Wandsworth produced the 9 <sup>th</sup> lowest quantity of residual waste per household of 33 London Boroughs during 2008/09.  In 2008/09, 591 tonnes of household waste per household was generated and sent to landfill.  <u>Key target:</u> to reduce the amount of residual household waste to 519kg per household by 2011/12 (NI 191)

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4.2	Increase the proportion of waste recycled	Waste management	Recycle or compost 29.1% of household waste by March 2012	<p>Forthcoming actions to increase the recycling rate include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* improving the orange bank service for high-rise premises;</li> <li>* extending coverage to premises without convenient access;</li> <li>* adding rigid plastic packaging to the “orange” recycling mix;</li> <li>* enhancing textile recycling services; and</li> <li>* diverting bulky waste to proposed WRWA refurbishment centre.</li> </ul> <p>26.6% of household waste was recycled or composted in 2008/09.</p> <p><u>Key targets:</u> To recycle or compost 27.2% of household waste by 2009/10, 28.5% by 2010/11 and 29.1% by 2011/12 (NI 192)</p>
4.3	Investigate opportunities to increase the amount of material composted	Waste management	Pilot collection service to be launched in spring 2010.	A record quantity of leaves was composted by the Council’s street cleansing contractor during Autumn 2009. 581 home composting containers were sold to residents during 2008/09 via the Council’s reduced price offer, bringing the total supplied to date to over 10,000. A trial enhanced collection service for composting garden waste centrally is planned for spring 2010. Separate collection of food waste may be considered for the waste collection contract commencing April 2012.
4.4	Stop sending waste to landfill	Waste management	Switch from landfill to energy from waste in 2011	<p>The quantity of residual municipal waste landfilled decreased by 28% during the 5 years to 2008/09, despite a 6% increase in the number of households in the Borough. Disposal of Wandsworth’s residual municipal waste is planned to switch from landfill to incineration with energy recovery in 2011.</p> <p><u>Key target:</u> to reduce the amount of municipal waste landfilled to zero by 2011 (NI 193)</p>
<p><b>Environmental Policy Aim 14</b> Sustainable procurement – the environmental and social impacts of purchasing and consumption is limited.</p>				
4.5	All major contracts to be scrutinised for sustainability implications	Procurement Advisory Group		See previous action on sustainable procurement training.
4.6	Continue to Participate in the Mayors’ Green Procurement Code	Policy Unit. London Remade, Supplies Group	Annual procurement audit	Data collated by the annual purchase audit and externally verified indicates that £621,862 was spent on recycled products in 2008/09, diverting some 2,000 tonnes from landfill. In the same year, 34% of stationery supplies were purchased from the environmental range of the corporate contract in 2008/09 and 96% of white A4 paper used by the council in 2008/09 was of at least 80% recycled content. 2,360 tonnes of recycled type 1 fill was also used.

## Ambition 5 – A cleaner, greener, healthier and Safer Borough – without compromising the needs of future generations

Action	Who	Timescale	Progress
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 15</b> Streets and public open spaces that are clean and free from litter, graffiti and flyposting.			
5.1	Monitor cleanliness standards and report results to Overview and Scrutiny Committees, ward feedback meetings and to central government	Waste Management Services.	Local Environmental Quality Surveys 3 x year
			Results from the two surveys conducted in 2009/10 indicate that the Council is on-course to achieve its Local Area Agreement target of no more than 13% of relevant land being deemed unacceptably dirty.  <u>Key Targets:</u> (a) Ensure NI 195 (Local Environmental Quality) results place Wandsworth in top quartile of London Boroughs (b) Meet Local Area Agreement (LAA) and other cleanliness targets
5.2	Tackle known and reported “hotspots” for litter, fly-tips and other debris	Waste Management Services. Connaught Environmental (contractor)	
			Data from old surveys identified hotspots for litter and detritus on highways in areas of predominantly industrial land usage and footpaths and subways. Data from NI 195 surveys in 2009/10 indicate significant improvements in these areas. The number of reported highway fly-tip incidents decreased by 52% since 2002/03.
5.3	Implement Time-banding of commercial waste collection in town centres	Waste Management Services	Ensure all five town centres covered by 2011
			Time banding requires commercial operations to put out their waste for collection during set time bands. This reduces the length of time that waste is left on the streets. It was successfully implemented in Tooting town centre in 2009 and will be extended to the other four town centres during 2010 and 2011. Tooting businesses are generally complying with the requirements, the town centre looks visibly cleaner and less commercial waste is being abandoned for clearance by the Council’s contractors.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 16</b> Better air quality, less noise nuisance and light pollution, reduced risks from contaminated land.			

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5.4	Monitor and publicise levels of key air quality pollutants.	Environmental Services	Fourth Round of the Review and Assessment of Air Quality for 2009 completed and submitted for verification	<p>All air quality pollutants are monitored on an ongoing basis via diffusion tube and fixed monitoring stations at key sites. Air Quality Objectives are set for 7 different pollutants in the National Air Quality Strategy. The pollutants of concern for Wandsworth are Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) and fine Particle Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) due to vehicle emissions. Results are publicized by text to mobile phones, via the Council's website and the London Air Quality Monitoring Network. See <a href="http://www.londonair.org.uk/london/asp/PublicBulletin.asp?la_id=32">http://www.londonair.org.uk/london/asp/PublicBulletin.asp?la_id=32</a></p> <p>The most recent data indicate that the annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> objective was not met at either of the monitoring stations in Wandsworth in 2007 (based on ratified data) and was not met at the Town Hall monitoring station in 2008 (based on provisional data), although the hourly mean NO<sub>2</sub> objective was met at both monitoring stations in both years. Provisional data from the Tooting monitoring station between 1 April 2008 and 31 March 2009 also indicates that the annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> objective was exceeded, but the hourly mean NO<sub>2</sub> objective was met. Both the annual and daily mean objectives for PM<sub>10</sub> were met in 2007 in Wandsworth High Street (based on 8 months of data prior to the site closing in August). Also both PM<sub>10</sub> objectives were met at the Tooting monitoring station between 1 April 2008 and 31 March 2009 (based on provisional data). A temporary air quality monitoring station was installed in Putney High Street during 2009.</p>
5.5	Implement Air Quality Action Plan	Environmental Services	Annual report to Environment and Leisure Overview and Scrutiny committee	<p>There are 32 actions in the Air Quality Action Plan. Good progress is being made against the 10 actions assessed as having a high benefit to London as a whole. These include: the London Low Emission Zone (LEZ), the AirTEXT service and the South London Freight Quality Partnership. An anti-vehicle idling campaign was run with primary schools in 2009 and a smarter driving tips leaflet has been completed. A second electric vehicle charging point has been installed and more are planned. Funding has been received from Department of Environment Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and the Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for other initiatives during 2010 include a fleet inventory.</p>
5.6	Keep contaminated land register up to date and include conditions on approvals for affected sites	Environmental Services Planning Services	Subject to planning approvals	<p>No land within the legal definition of "contaminated land" identified. However, some sites have been prioritized for action and are being remediated through the planning process via conditions on planning approvals. These require site investigations, risk-based assessment, remediation (if necessary) and post-remediation verification from developers.</p>

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Action		Who	Timescale	Progress
5.7	Action on noise / light pollution	Environmental Services Planning Services		There is a prompt response to all complaints received, within 3 days for all complaints; at night and weekends respond within one hour to at least 80% of complaints received on the Noiseline when the noise team are on duty.
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 17</b>				
A diverse, well-managed range of parks and open spaces that meet residents' needs and enhance biodiversity				
5.8	Keep Parks Management Strategy up to date	Parks Service	New Parks Strategy to 2020 - Draft compete by February 2010	<p>The Parks Management Strategy is a five-year action plan, last agreed in 2005 that sets out timescales for the production of site management plans and function reviews. These support the management, conservation and improvement of all parks, commons, cemeteries and open spaces managed by the Parks Service.</p> <p>A new draft strategy for 2010 – 2020 will be submitted to the February 2010 committee cycle for approval to consult. This strategy will recognize the importance of partnership working, links with other council strategies, volunteering, funding opportunities, verification of standards, staff training and development.</p>
5.9	Ensure that all relevant parks and open spaces have up to date management plans	Parks Service.	Progress to be reported in June 2010	<p>Management Plans for twenty one sites have been completed. The following have been completed in 2009/10:- Old burial grounds at Garratt Lane and the Upper Richmond Road, The Huguenot Burial Ground; Waterman's Green, Putney Bridge; Putney Park Lane; The Pleasance; and open spaces on Dromore Road, Clarence Lane and Putney Vale.</p> <p>Subject to funding being available, management plans for Wandsworth and Tooting Commons, King George's Park and other small sites will be drafted and consulted on during 2009/10 and progress will be reported in June 2010.</p>
5.10	Increase the number of wildlife sites have under active management	Parks Service and landowners	48% are under active ecological management by March 2011	<p>Ecological management plans set out the actions that need to be taken (or avoided) to conserve the wildlife value of the site in the long term. Work with landowners and in partnership with others will be crucial to achieving this, as 14 of the borough's 31 wildlife sites are not owned by the council.</p> <p>By the end of March 2009, 11 out of 31 sites (35%) had ecological management plans. A further 3 plans to be completed during 2009/10.</p> <p><u>Key Target:</u> To ensure that 15 out of 31 sites (48%) are under active ecological management by March 2011 (NI 197).</p>

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5.11	Use the planning process to protect important sites, including ecological mitigation and enhancements with new developments	Planning Service, Parks Service	Depending on applications received and LDF timescale	<p>Planning policies aim to protect wildlife site from damaging impacts of development and secure new open spaces and wildlife habitats from developers in appropriate circumstances. 31 Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINCs) identified and adopted in 2003. Wimbledon Common declared a SAC (Special Area of Conservation) in 2005. This forms part of a network of protected sites across the EU called "Natura 2000." Data on habitats of over 200 sites maintained on biological database and GIS system. Data used to influence land management and planning decisions. Planning policies being reviewed as part of the Local Development Framework (LDF) process.</p> <p>Monitored via Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)</p>
5.12	Use the planning process to increase the amount of public open space and community benefits from new developments	Planning Service, Parks Service	Depending on applications received	Monitored via Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 18</b> Lakes are managed sustainably as ecological and amenity assets				
5.13	Improve the water quality, ecological and amenity value of Wandsworth's lakes.	Parks Service	Quarterly monitoring reports	<p>Specialist contractors manage Wandsworth lakes to maximize biodiversity, amenity, water quality and fisheries and quarterly monitoring reports are produced. Lake water quality is largely unchanged over the past two years.</p> <p>Action to investigate the feasibility of lakes as long-term assets is to be undertaken as part of climate change adaptation work.</p>
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 19</b> Opportunities for food growing are identified and encouraged				
5.14	Develop a food growing strategy for the Borough and reduce allotment waiting list	Parks Service Housing Dept. WPCT	Food growing strategy to be produced by Feb 2010.	<p>Food growing initiatives include a Wandsworth Primary Care Trust (WPCT) funded project led by Age Concern to match volunteers with older people who cannot manage their gardens. Sites on housing land identified for pilot community gardening and food growing initiatives.</p> <p>Draft food growing strategy to be submitted to February 2010 committee cycle for approval to consult.</p>

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Action	Who	Timescale	Progress
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 20</b>			
Distinctive pedestrian-friendly neighbourhoods are maintained and developed through sustainable regeneration			
5.15	Promote and develop the Wandle Valley as a new Regional Park	Wandsworth Council Groundwork Neighbouring boroughs	7 <sup>th</sup> annual festival to take place in June 2010.  Memorandum of Agreement between the four boroughs (Wandsworth, Croydon, Sutton and Merton) leading on the development of the Wandle Valley Regional Park approved by the Executive in September.  The sixth annual Wandle Valley Festival was held on in June 2009 with activities for all ages along the river.
5.16	Ensure that all Conservation Areas are covered by up to data character appraisals	Planning Service	Report to PTOSC in Feb 2010.  There are 45 Conservation Areas in the Borough and a five-year rolling programme has been established for their review. There is one outstanding statement, Garrad's Road, which will be undertaken in agreement with Lambeth Council, as it is predominantly in their borough.  78% of Conservation Areas had up-to-date character appraisals at the end of March 2009, the fourth year of a five-year programme. Progress on the remaining appraisals will be reported to the Planning and Transport Overview and Scrutiny Committee (PTOSC) in February 2010.  Progress also reported in Annual Monitoring Report – Significant Effects Indicator 51
5.17	Protect Listed buildings and reduce the number on the "Heritage at Risk" Register	Planning Service	Annual Report to PTOSC  Listed buildings are considered to be "at risk" where their original uses are no longer viable and/or they have been vacated. As at September 2009, 21 listed buildings or structures were on the "Heritage at Risk" register in Wandsworth. 18 are 'at risk' and 3 are 'vulnerable'. Wandsworth has relatively few listed buildings at risk and continues to make steady progress with building owners to address problems these buildings face.  <u>Key Target.</u> Maintain the number of listed buildings "at risk" to below 20_(Annual Monitoring Report - Significant Effects Indicator 52)

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5.18 Ensure that trees are protected, well managed and that losses are replaced	Tree Service, Planning service		<p>Trees are valuable for biodiversity, adding to the amenity of the borough and help combat pollution and the heat effects of changing climate. All trees in conservation areas and those covered by Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) are protected by law and the planning service deals with applications / notifications to do works to these trees. The tree section in (the Parks Service) manages all street trees and trees on public open space on all council-owned land.</p> <p>There are some 44,600 council-owned trees in the Borough, the majority of these being on housing (16,700) and highway land (13,800) and in parks and cemeteries (13,600). Annually, around 200 are lost to disease, age, development and subsidence claims. 1,400 trees were planted in the last two planting seasons (winter 2007/08 and 2008/09). During winter 2008/09, 600 trees were planted on street, 307 on housing estates and 80 in parks/cemeteries.</p> <p><u>Key target.</u> No net decrease in the number of trees in parks, on housing land and on street</p>	
5.19 Promote and protect the distinctiveness of Wandsworth's five Town Centres and local shopping parades	Economic Development Office, Town Centre Partnerships Planning Service	See LDF timetable	5 Town Centre Partnerships produce business plans to promote each town centre – including physical regeneration projects and community events. Distinctiveness of the five town centres also protected in planning policies and via Conservation Area Appraisals.	
5.20 Ensure the sustainability of Vauxhall, Nine Elms, Battersea redevelopment	Economic Development, Planning Service		Options for decentralised energy masterplanning being investigated with the London Development Agency.	
<b>Environmental Policy Aim 21</b> Opportunities for walking and safe cycling are promoted				
5.21	Seek travel plans and developer contributions towards alternative forms of transport as part of site redevelopment	Planning Service	ongoing	In 2008/09, 27 travel plans were specified as requirements of planning permission (NB not all these will be implemented e.g. if the consented scheme does not proceed).

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5.22	Complete London Cycle Network Plus (LCN+) and install cycle parking facilities	Engineering and Design Services	Annual programme	Cycle lanes to be introduced at Queenstown Road, SW8 (Shaftesbury and Queenstown) – subject to funding and to be incorporated into Clapham Junction redevelopment.
5.23	Continue to promote cycling and walking for council staff as part of the Council Services Travel Plan	Planning Service	Ongoing	In 2008/09 a third annual Bike to Work day was held in Fairfield Annexe, promoting cycling to staff. Pool bike availability has been expanded to all departments including a new folding bike based at 90 Putney Bridge Road. Staff participated in Walking Challenge and Cycle Challenge promotions in 2009. A cycling and HGV safety event was also held at Frogmore. Latest data from CSTP surveys (Dec 2006) showed 17% of staff walking or cycling to work, up from 12% in 1998 when the CSTP was launched.