

**GREN Members' Meeting - March 2014**

**GREN as 'Other Delivery Partner' of Actions  
for Reading Climate Change Partnership**

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## Members

- Transition Town Reading
- Greater Reading Environment Network
- University of Reading
- Reading Borough Council
- Public Health
- Environment Agency
- Kyocera Document Solutions
- Peter Brett Associates

# Local Strategic Partnership

## Reading Climate Change Partnership

**Strategy**  
**Strategic Priorities**

2013 to 2020

Reading Climate Action Network

**Action Plan**

3 year scope

**Deliverers**

**Challenges**

**Individuals**

**Organisations**

## ***Strategy: Eight Themes:***

1. Energy Supply
2. Low Carbon Development
3. Natural Environment
4. Water Supply and Flooding
5. Transport
6. Purchasing, Supply and Consumption
7. Education, Communication and Influencing Behaviour
8. Community

## ***Action Plan Actions:***

**John Booth is Theme Lead for Theme 2 - Low Carbon Development.**

**Each Theme Lead negotiates with delivery partners to agree details of Actions, and then monitors and reports on Actions in that theme. Action Plan was released end November, progress delayed ...**

**Each Action has a 'Lead Delivery Partner' to co-ordinate with 'Other Delivery Partner(s)' (if any).**

**First reporting period ends March 2014 - progress reporting to July meeting of RCCP Board.**

**Action Plan to be reviewed and revised annually.**

## *What are Actions?*

My interpretation:

Action check-list - wide range of types across the Themes:

From:

Actions RCCP know organisations should be doing:

- because it's a legal requirement ... or ...
- because they are already committed to them

To:

- Actions RCCP would like to encourage so seeks partners to take forward ...

In all cases RCCP want to monitor that best practice is followed and good progress is being made ... and understand the barriers to improvement

## *GREN Actions as 'Other Delivery Partner'*

T1SP4.8 - Encourage local communities and businesses to support the development of renewable energy in their communities. (RBC lead partner)

- GREN encouraged RCCP to commission a report from TVE on prospects of Hydro at Reading Weir - awaited.
- Report on Hydro by Brendan Barrow now on GREN website.
- RFoE held public meeting on variability of renewable energy in January 2014 - was publicised via media and posters.
- No detailed guidance yet from RBC
- **What else can we do?**

## ***GREN Actions as 'Other Delivery Partner'***

T8SP1.2 - Build relationships with 'non-environmental groups'; encourage uptake of sustainable community related activities through a 'campaign' ... (RCCP lead organisation)

- There will be an article about TTR's DraughtBusters in a local churches magazine Xn.
- Reading Rotary Club have been encouraged to support the TTR's DraughtBusters scheme.
- GREN applied to join Reading Neighbourhood Network
- No detailed guidance yet from RCCP
- **What else can we do?**



## *GREN Actions as 'Other Delivery Partner'*

T8SP1.3 - Sustain and improve 'environmental' community organisations by improving links between groups contributing to tackling climate change. (RCCP as Lead)

- GREN Website and Facebook continue active
- GREN Members' Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> March 2014
- TTR DraughtBusters active over winter 2013/14
- Reading Sustainability Centre proposals Jan-Mar 2014
- No detailed guidance yet from RCCP
- **What else can we do?**

## ***GREN Actions as 'Other Delivery Partner'***

T8SP2.1 - Build uptake of energy efficiency, renewable energy & energy co-ops as well as (communal) food growing. Engage appropriate asset holders and develop local schemes. (RBC as lead)

- TTR and DraughtBusters have acted and have an ongoing programme including seminars, training and delivery. This has now moved into consulting with other organisations in other towns wanting to do similar things.
- No detailed guidance yet from RBC.
- **What else can we do?**

## *GREN Actions as 'Other Delivery Partner'*

T8SP3.3 - Build 'share and repair' movement, increasing skills in the community and reducing waste. (TT Reading as Lead)

- Repair Café started October 2013 as joint GREN/TTR initiative - now run monthly by TTR and Hackspace, alternating venues.
- No detailed guidance yet from TTR
- **What else can we do?**

*You or your group can sign up too.....*



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### Challenges

Alongside the actions in the action plan, where appropriate, we've added challenges for individuals and organisations to take on.

Any individual or organisation that signs up to take on one or more of the challenges will become a member of Reading Climate Action Network (RCAN) and play an important role in helping us reach the strategy's objectives.

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