

## Sustainable Development Action Plan – Progress Report Summary 2008

**Organisation:** Department of Culture, Media and Sport

Department    
  Non-Ministerial Department    
  Executive Agency    
  NDPB    
  Other

**Report of progress against:** [Sustainable Development Action Plan April 2007- March 2008]

### Progress Against Actions

Percentage of actions complete or on target: 100.0%  
 Average impact rating\* of all the actions which are complete or on target: 3.00

\*The Impact rating (1-4) is a self-assessment of the contribution to SD priority areas, and is not an indication of performance.

### Embedding Sustainability

Self assessment ratings against four themes: To what extent is sustainable development embedded?

Policies	People	Operations	Governance, Monitoring and Reporting
Some Progress	On Course	On Course	On Course

### Sustainable Procurement

Self assessment ratings against five themes of the Flexible Framework: What level has the organisation already reached? (Where an alternative sustainable procurement tool has been used, please provide an appropriate summary.)

People	Policy, Strategy & Communications	Procurement Process	Engaging Suppliers	Measurements and Results
Level 2 - Embed	Level 2 - Embed	Level 2 - Embed	Level 2 - Embed	Level 2 - Embed

### Taking Stock

What have been the **highlights** of your organisation's sustainable development progress over the past year?

- The conference in January 2008 for 100 delegates from all DCMS sectors; because it raised DCMS's sd profile internally and externally, and the feedback from delegates led to other actions
- The increased number of NDBPs with sd strategies and action plans;
- The increased number of implemented actions within NDPBs, manifest in the case studies received

What are the key **challenges** for the future?

- Embedding an SD approach to policy development remains a challenge
- Making targets fully SMART

What are the key things which have **helped and hindered** progress towards sustainable development?

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| Helps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The enthusiasm of key staff, both within DCMS and our sponsored bodies</li> </ul> | Hinders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insufficient departmental resource to provide more funding and staff time to sustainable development</li> </ul> |
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What **lessons have been learnt** from the progress report? How will these be taken forward in the next SDAP?

- that the targets need to be SMARTER; the SDAP for 2008 - 2011 will have a separate report grid to track progress

Please summarise how the SDAP is aligned with and has helped your organisation to deliver its high level strategic objectives, including any Public Service Agreements (PSAs) and Departmental Strategic Objectives (DSOs).

Although the three prime aspects of sustainable development are represented in DCMS PSA targets, there is still scope to adopt a more holistic approach. e.g We have economic priorities (to increase the productivity of the tourism, creative and leisure industries, and to make savings on our expenditure) and separate priorities on the social side (to increase the take up of cultural and sporting opportunities by new users aged 16 and above, and to reduce obesity in children). There is no specific demonstration of our environmental impacts, nor any integration of this with social and economic aspects.

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