

# Further Education SUSTAINABILITY 24 March SUMMITTUNIVERSITY OF Leeds

**Workshop 4 - Achieving continuous** improvement at City College **Plymouth** 

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# **Challenging Connections**



'Challenging Connections' is about inspiring and challenging you to look again at your connections, your partnerships and the voices you are hearing and those you are not.

Please allow 5 minutes to discuss:

- How can you overcome any potential challenges?
- What connections you could make? How can people in the room help?
- Who do you need to challenge internally?

## **Sustainability Structure**



#### **Sustainability Policy**

'The College recognises the need to act with environmental responsibility across all its operations.

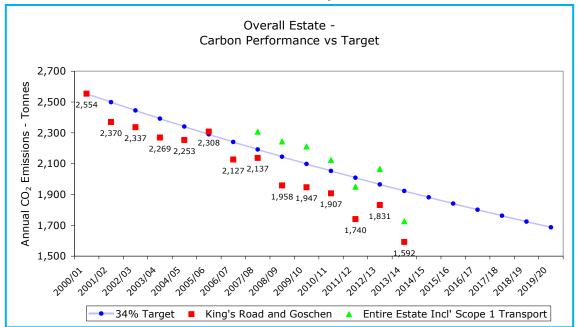
This means both legislative compliance, as well as the wider social responsibility, to minimise environmental impact and promote sustainability'.



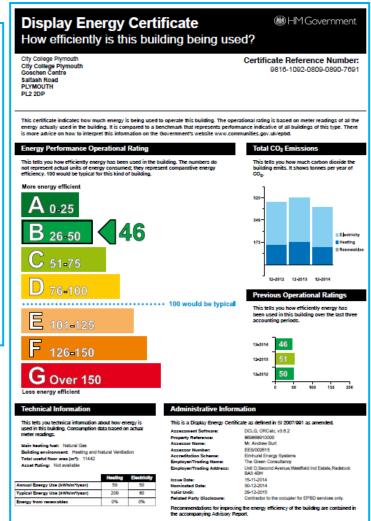
## **Energy Management**



#### 34% carbon reduction by 2020



- ➤ Main Building 65
- Engineering 65
- Construction 67
- ➤ Hospitality 63
- Goschen Centre 46



# **Energy Management – Past Projects**



- ✓ Upgrading of lighting to low energy (T8 T5)
- ✓ Automatic meter reading £24K saving in 1<sup>st</sup> yr
- ✓ Speed control of Hospitality ventilation £5K saving in 1<sup>st</sup> yr
- ✓ Hospitality building induction hobs installed
- ✓ Old oil fired boilers replaced with condensing boilers
- ✓ Tower block thermal cladding, architectural mesh & new windows
- ✓ Engineering building refurbished to BREEAM 'Very Good'
- ✓ Centralised computer shut down and print strategy
- ✓ Removal of electric heaters/ installation of efficient hand dryers
- ✓ Photovoltaics on construction & sports hall roofs (total 50 kW peak)

# **Energy Management – Future Projects**



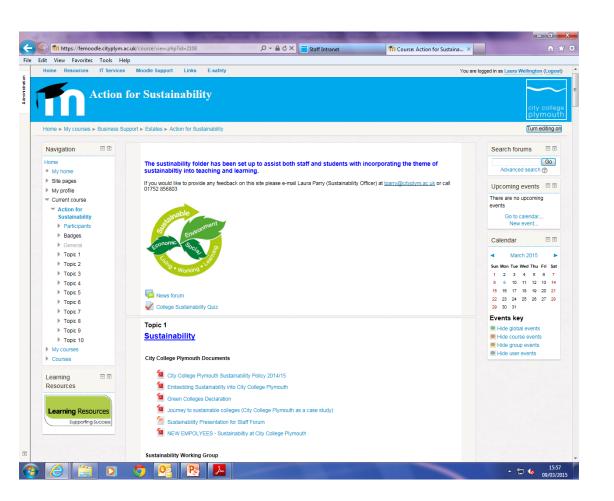
#### **Salix Funding**

- 1. Large scale replacement of lighting in main building with LED
- 2. Improvement of heating controls in main building
- Insulating jackets to be fitted to valves and pumps in main boiler room.

## **Energy Management – Resources**



#### 'Action for Sustainability' Moodle site



#### College case studies

#### Case Study:



#### **Key Facts**

Date of Installation: 2005 Initial Costs: £70k

Ongoing costs: £1000 pa (current costs)

#### Scope of Project

The College was successful in winning funding through the Clear Skies programme to install two wind turbines on the roof of the Innovation Centre. The primary drivers behind the project were to provide a demonstration site for wind turbines actually installed on a building, and to inspire others to take up interest in renewable energy. The idea for the installation came about in 2000 during the development of the Innovation Centre upon which they are located. The steel sub-structure of the building was designed and built to accept them at a later date.







#### **Technical Background**

The installation consists of two 6kW direct drive (no gear box) turbines sit directly onto the steel sub-structure of the roof with vibration damping. Each mast is 9 metres tall and the turbines are 5.5 metres in diameter. The blades are able to self regulate the pitch to take account of varying wind speeds.

A manual braking system is also included so the turbines can be mechanically shut down. The electrical output from each turbine is connected to a controller which converts the three phase AC to DC current, which in turn feeds through two inverters which converts it back to AC and also synchronises it with the mains electricity supplied to the site. The inverters also provide a protection system against loss of mains electricity, or exceeding under or over voltage limits. The output from the turbines is monitored meters which are connected to loggers. The data is collected through the college's Energy Remote Monitoring (ERM) system, and can be analysed in the same way as the rest of the college's electricity.

### **Energy Management – Resources**



#### Sustainability quiz

#### City College Plymouth Sustainability Quiz

This quiz has been developed to introduce you and your friends to sustainability at City College Plymouth. The College are making every effort to become more sustainable and therefore this quiz has been designed to be completed on line to help save paper.

The aim of the quiz is for you to have fun using the internet, College Moodle site and education boards located around the different sites. You can complete the quiz individually or in pairs/teams. If you get stuck why not ask a member of staff on your travels to help you out. Don't forget your note pad and pen to jot your answers down – good luck!





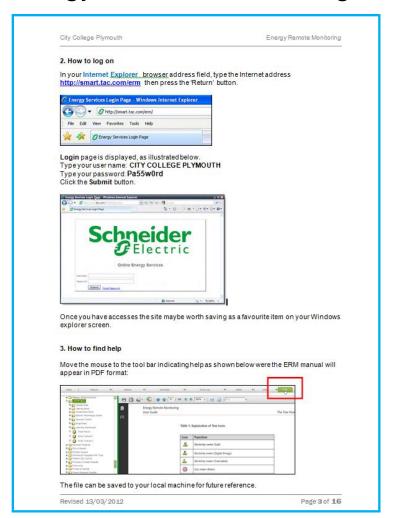
#### Eco poster competition



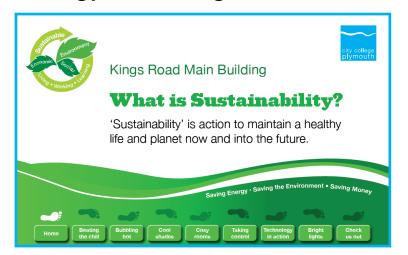
### **Energy Management – Resources**



#### **Energy Remote Monitoring tool**



#### **Energy Learning Resource**





## **Waste Management – The Past!**









- Waste Management External Evaluation 2004
- Hazardous Waste Regulations Compliance Report 2007
- Waste Management Strategy 2008

# Waste Management – Now!



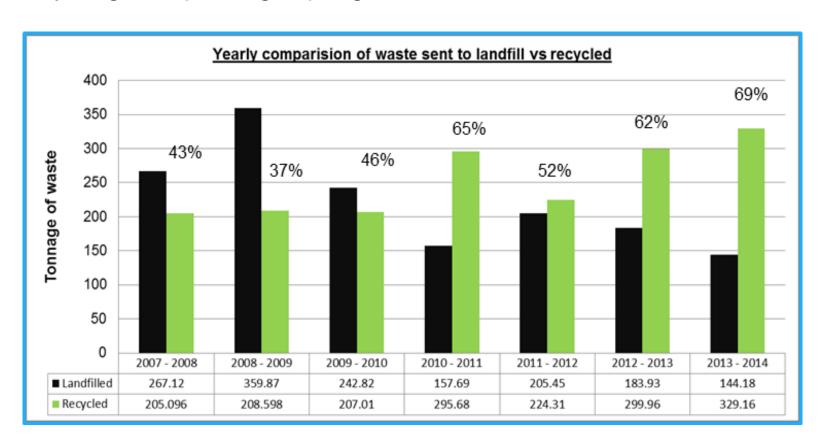
- Legally compliant
- Segregate over 15 different materials
- The College use ~17 contractors
- Past funding
- Second hand bins
- Current recycling target = 69%



# **Waste Management**

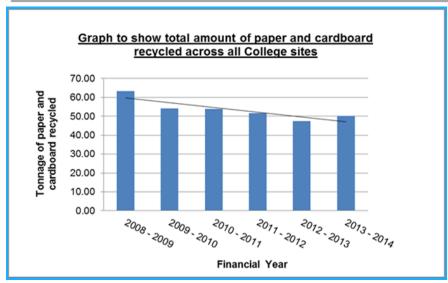


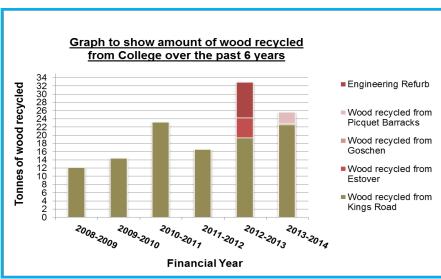
- Monitoring = good management
- Analysing & reporting = progress

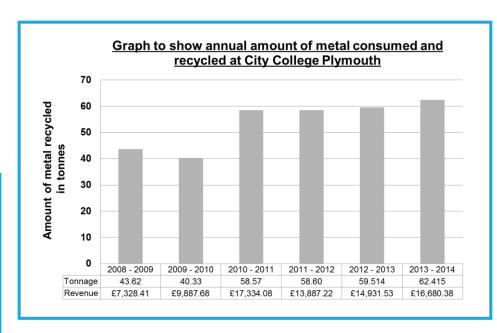


# **Waste Management – Analysis**









# **Waste Management – Audit**







- Waste diverted from sewage/ landfill = ~56.24 tonnes
- Estimated saving = £1,781.64

# Waste Management – Spills



# HANDLING AN OIL OR CHEMICAL SPILL



#### 10 Step check list:

- Prevent further contamination
   Cut off the source of the spill. If it is outside cover any nearby drains.
- Identify the hazard
   Try to identify the spill: this will help you deal with the spill more effectively.
- 3. Fetch the spill kit
  - For small spills use the absorbent granules located in buckets within workshop.
     For large spills use the spill kit in the yellow bag located on the wall.

Ensure you use PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and check its effectiveness.

- 5. Contain the spill
  - > For a small spill cover the area with absorbent granules.
  - > For a large spill use the sock to circle the spill & place pads over spill to absorb.
- Make the area safe

Restrict access by sealing off the area by means of barrier tape or a notice.

Get help

Evacuate the area and notify others working nearby.

8. Look for injuries

Check yourself and those working nearby for any type of injury.

- Disposal
  - Oil spill put absorbent material in the 'Oily Rag Drum' (speak to Technician).
  - Chemical spill put absorbent material in yellow hazardous waste bag and give to Technician who will arrange disposal by contacting the Sustainability Officer.
- 10. Report

All spills over 1 pint (1/2 a litre) to be reported to:
Sustainability Officer (Ext: 6803 | parry@cityplym.ac.uk)
Health and Safety Officer (Ext: 5311 or 5730 | ssowden@cityplym.ac.uk)

- ✓ Correct use of facilities
- ✓ Registered waste carrier
- √ Procedure if a spill occurs
- √ Training DVDs (Estates intranet site)
  - 1. Oil/ Chemical spill
  - 2. Bodily fluid
  - 3. Sharps disposal kit

4. Mercury spill kit



# Water – Managing Discharge





Foul sewer

Storm water





Peninsula House, P.O. Box 4, Rydon Lane, Exeter EX2 7HS
Freephone 0800 169 11 44 Minicom 0800 169 99 65 Fax 01392 423792

New landline no

01208 264047

Ms Laura Wellington City College Plymouth Kings Road

Devonport Plymouth PL1 5QG Direct Line: 01566 778734 Direct Fax: 01566 775390 Your Ref:

Our Ref: CityCollege/MinDis

7<sup>th</sup> September 2011

Dear Laura.

Ref: Consent to Discharge - City College Plymouth - Kings Road, Plymouth

Please accept this letter as the approval by South West Water Limited (SWW), as the Sewerage Undertaker, for the discharge of effluent (Water Industry Act 1991) comprising settled plastering effluent from the premises known as City College Plymouth, Kings Road, Devonport, Plymouth, PL1 5QG subject to the following:

- The discharge consists solely of settled plastering water and settled paint washings.
- The plaster sediment trap and paint wash settlement unit are routinely maintained and waste removed on regular intervals.
- 3. The discharge is connected, via your foul drains, to the public foul sewer.
- 4. The volume of discharge is <200 litres per day.

While the minimal nature of this discharge remains, and unless we notify you to the contrary, we do not propose to apply the full provisions of trade effluent control legislation. You are required to notify us forthwith of any change in the process, materials used or any other circumstances likely to alter the nature, composition or volume of the effluent.

In accordance with the SWW charges scheme 2011 – 2012, there is an annual fee of £98.00 for the approval and registration of the proposed discharge by trade effluent staff.

South West Water Ltd reserves the right to review the status of the discharge and liability for trade effluent charges at a future date. A member of SWW's scientific staff may wish to visit, inspect and sample the discharge at some future time.

Yours sincerely

Jessica Leow
Trade Effluent Scientist



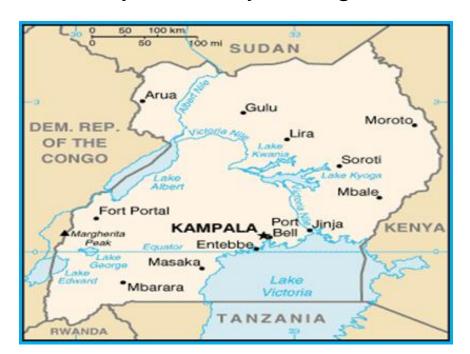
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## **Uganda Project**



- All Nations Christian Care
- Human Technical Training Centre
- Set up in 2009 to send 'useable' equipment to Lira
- Yearly audits by College staff





# **Uganda Project**













## **Uganda Project - Exchange**







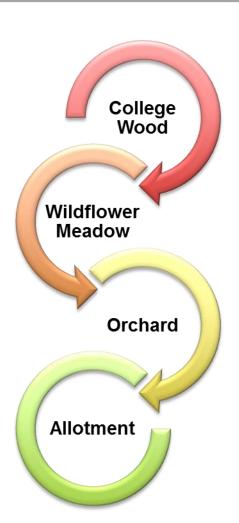
Bishop Issac Aswa with College students and staff (2012)

Kalisto, Principal of the Human Technical Training Centre (2014)

## **Biodiversity & Conservation**



- Statement
- Objectives
- Policy and legislation
- Internal documents
- Supporting surveys and reports
- External documents and websites
- Monitoring review and evaluation
- Biodiversity Management Plan (BAP)



# **Biodiversity & Conservation:**Wildflower Meadow

















# **Biodiversity & Conservation: College Wood**















# **Biodiversity & Conservation: Mini Orchard**











# **Biodiversity & Conservation: Allotment**











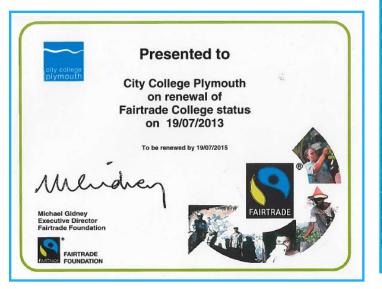




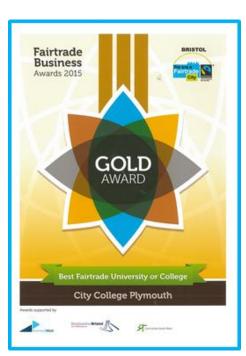
#### **Fairtrade**



- Fairtrade Policy
- Fairtrade Focus Group
- Equality and Diversity
- Products
- Plymouth City Fairtrade Steering Group
- Awards







#### Fairtrade – Student Involvement













## **Transport**



- Transport Policy
- Transport Focus Group
- Travel survey
- Free College buses (£218,319 per year)!
- Subsidised student season tickets (£55,852)
- Facilities
- Cycle to work scheme 2 schemes 38 signed
- Electric charge point
- Staff training day
- Events







#### **Questions & Answers**



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