

Eco Schools Meeting

30th June 2006 at The EWE Centre

Present

Rich Hurst(RH), Julie Fulton, Claire Fairclough, Mike Tones (MT), Andrea Bishop

Apologies

Paula Jamieson, Steve Ashton, Laura Davies, Caroline Jackson, Gloria Pearson and Jill Essam

- RH handed out final colour copies of the Sustainable Schools Consultation Paper
 - Today's meeting is to work together on the responses for NESPSS
 - RH mentioned that MT and David Etheridge attended the DASH Conference the day before, taking with them the Sustainable schools Consultation Papers to hand out
 - RH & AB had attended the CEE/WWF conference in London the previous day and went through the day's itinerary which included;-
 1. The key is getting the consultations back in. The closing date is the end of August so the following 3 weeks are crucial to chase schools.
 2. The Education and schools committee is discussing the £8billion to be spent on Primary schools from 2008.
 3. DfES is working on a national indicator for ESD
 4. With DFES, they are trying to get ESD aspect over to ECM, which lacks environmental input
 5. Ofsted Longitudinal school three year study was discussed by Leszek Iwaskow.
 6. 40 school study (25 Primaries, 15 secondary) this is a one day inspection. 16 schools have already been studied including Grangefield Comprehensive in Stockton. This study finishes April 2007.
 7. Year of action starts in September 2006 to July 2007.
 8. Academy of Sustainable Communities, Leeds, RH would like to find out more, are people in the region engaging with this?
 9. LSDN made an announcement last Monday, that FE/HE capital projects can claim an extra 10% funding to build sustainably.
 10. Peter Wanless, Director of Schools DFES. Micro generation funding details about to be released by DTI. Detective Kit to be produced - RH to look into this
- * RH to action**
11. OFSTED working on an international conference on ESD
- The team worked through the NESPSS responses. Please see attached document
 - Agenda for the next meeting will include;
 1. A Year of Action Calendar
 2. Response to Education Outside the Classroom Manifesto
 3. Concept of a Regional School Grounds Grouping
 - Date of the next meeting;- **Monday 18th September 1.30pm at the EWE Centre**
This meeting can be preceded with a lunch at The Duke of Wellington, Neville's Cross at 12noon