

Carbon Budgeting Fife Council's experience and interest

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Waste

- Landfill sites & Recycling centres
- Recyclates broker
- Training
- Policy and practice -domestic & commercial waste

Energy

- Strategic developments
- Programme and project development and management
- Data management and mapping
- Renewable energy generation

Climate Change

- Policy
- Practice
- Awareness and training



Helping deliver a sustainable future

2007 - 2011

- Legal drivers:
 - Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009
 - Carbon Reduction Commitment
- Internal drivers:
 - "Leading Green Council in Scotland"
 - Scotland's Climate Change Declaration
- Good business sense direct financial impact via waste and energy inefficiency



2007 - 2011

- 80% reduction by 2050
- 3% annual reduction.
 Equivalent of 1,800 tonnes of CO₂e per year
 - = 5,500,000 miles of car travel or Social Work mileage for the year
 - = 4,000,000 kWh of electricity or2 High Schools

Elements	CO ₂ e			
		2006/07	2007/08	Trend
Energy - Buildings	Tonnes	77,799	76,135	
	% change		-2%	V
Energy - Infrastructure	Tonnes	12,180	12,487	
	% change		3%	↑
Transport - Fleet Fuel	Tonnes	13,286	13,518	•
	% change		2%	↑
Transport - Business Mileage	Tonnes	3,375	3,489	↑
	% change		3%	
Transport - Booked	Tonnes	105	85	+
Transport	% change		-19%	*
Waste - Office	Tonnes	2,794	2,792	+
	% change		-0.1%	V
Waste - Skip	Tonnes	5,281	5,187	→
	% change		-2%	
	Tonnes	114,819	113,694	6
Total	% change		-1%	*



2009 Fife Council carbon budgeting & accounting - why

- Set Service targets and responsibilities reflecting agreed Corporate carbon targets
- Integrate carbon into all decision making
- Give ownership and accountability for carbon emissions to Services, including established reporting processes
- Link carbon emissions and costs
- Preparation for CRC
- Bring carbon higher up the agenda



2009 Fife Council carbon budgeting & accounting - how

Carbon Budgeting

- Existing processes,
 financial ledger, codes
 adapted for carbon
- Service planning framework
- Carbon emissions impacts incorporated into financial budgets
 from 2009/10

Carbon Accounting

- Carbon data linked to financial ledger
- Systems to feed carbon into financial reporting and budget
- Develop carbon forecast capability



Carbon Budgeting/Accounting

Annual Cycle

Carbon
Management Group
provide Annual
Review of
performance

Carbon
Management Group
recommends
Carbon Targets

Quarterly
performance
reporting to CMT
through Balanced
Scorecard

Services identify savings as part of budget setting process

Monthly monitoring using Carbon Accounting system

CMT agree Annual Carbon Budgets (Targets) with Services



Whole Life Costing Why and how?

- Finance & Procurement lead development
- Recognised the impact on carbon of £75m expenditure on goods, materials and services (2009 prices)
- Partnership with Forum for the Future to develop a Whole Life Costing Tool
- Applied a cost per tonne for carbon
- One dummy & one live procurement trial



Challenges

- Services' understanding of carbon resource intensive
- Focus on delivery of public services low on Service agendas
- Challenges of robust forecasting cost of carbon, energy, subsidies e.g. FIT or RHI
- Financial climate changed –short term necessity for large capital investments, less focus on accounting for CRC trading
- Change in financial IT systems redo previous integrations
- Key staff move on Helping deliver a sustainable future



Current status in Fife Council

- Councillor query to full Council on budget during scrutiny of Climate Change Public Bodies Duties Report 2017
- Head of Finance keen to understand realistic opportunity for future financial and carbon savings
- Whole Life Costing to be considered at options appraisal stage of investments
 - Shorter term to reduce unknowns



Comments and questions?

We're keen to learn

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