

**Promoting Sustainable Development Group**  
**14<sup>th</sup> March 2005**  
**Scott Bader, Wollaston, Nr Wellingborough**

**Present:**

Simon Drury (Chair)	Center Parcs Ltd
Yvette Dearden	EMRA
Helen Chadwick	EMRA
Keith Melton	Nottingham Trent University
Nick King	Environment Agency
Diane Whitehead	GOEM
Andy Barron	emda
Hugh Fenton	Scott Bader
Clark Field	EMFEC

**Apologies**

John Bull	EMRA
Nick Brown	Nottinghamshire County Council
Jonathan Harris	Regional Public Health Group
Tony Marmont	Beacon Energy
Paul Fleming	De Montfort University

<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes and Matters Arising from Previous Meeting</b>	
	There were no matters arising	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Launch of UK SD Strategy</b>  Yvette Dearden presented a report on the Launch of the UK Sustainable Development Strategy on 7 <sup>th</sup> March, which she had attended. The event was attended by Tony Blair, Margaret Beckett, Charles Clarke and other ministers to promote it as a cross-departmental document.  <b>It was agreed</b> that the UK Strategy would be discussed at the next meeting and the Group would assess how its work programme fits.	YD
<b>4.</b>	<b>Education for Sustainable Development - Audit</b>  Clark Field tabled a paper. He reported that a group had been set up with the intention of conducting an audit of the existing education for sustainable development activity within the region and how this compares with other regions. He reported that there had already been a lot of interest from Colleges and Higher Education centres.	

	<p><b>It was agreed</b> that Clark Field would revise the tabled document in liaison with Yvette Dearden and this would then be used to approach organisations for funding.</p>	CF
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Sustainable Public Procurement</b></p> <p>It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting as Jonathan Harris was unable to attend this meeting.</p>	
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Climate Change</b></p> <p>Nick King reported that Margaret Becket had replied to his letter about climate change. He also reported that Nottingham City Council is keen to mark five years of the Nottingham Declaration and highlighted the potential to work with local authorities around the region.</p> <p>Helen Chadwick presented the response, as developed by the Climate Change steering group, to the Government's consultation on the Climate Change Programme.</p> <p>Helen Chadwick/Yvette Dearden provided an update on the Sustainable Design and Construction Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competition – is progressing well and brief for entrants is on target to be ready in April</li> <li>• Toolkit/Guide for planners and developers – based on EMRA principles of sustainable design and construction. First draft due to be ready for circulation at the end of March/early April for comment.</li> </ul>	
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Expo Event 2005</b></p> <p>Yvette Dearden/ Keith Melton provided an update. The event will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2005 at Pride Park with the overall theme of climate change. To be arranged as a joint SD Expo and Environment Industry Showcase Event with a number of meetings and workshops running alongside. The environment challenge prize-giving would also form part of the day.</p> <p>There would be a keynote address on climate change - Margaret Beckett was suggested.</p>	
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>27<sup>th</sup> April –Environment Agency offices, Trentside, Nottingham 28<sup>th</sup> June – venue tbc</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	

	<p>It was agreed that the following items would be discussed at the next meeting –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- UK SD Strategy</li><li>- Public Procurement</li><li>- Expo Event</li><li>- Audit of SD in Education</li></ul>	
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