

# HISTORIC SCOTLAND

## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

### Policy Statement

Historic Scotland is the Executive Agency dedicated to the sustainable management of the historic environment and with specific responsibility for managing a number of major historic sites.

Recognising this role, we are committed to:

- continually improving our environmental performance
  - reducing the environmental impact of our operations
  - promoting resource efficiency
- as part of a wider commitment to the sustainable development agenda in Scotland.

Recognising our specific role we will promote best practice for the sustainable management of the historic environment across Scotland.

Senior Management recognise their responsibilities and the role of all staff in delivering this policy.

In the application of this policy we will adopt the following principles:

- Comply with all relevant environmental legislation and the principles of the “Greening Government” Policy.
- Adopt and promote more energy efficient practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Seek to reduce the unnecessary consumption of natural resources where possible within the constraints and demands of our business.
- Recognise that waste has an environmental impact and cost and therefore seek to prevent or minimise through recovery, re-use and recycling.
- Seek where appropriate to reduce all harmful emissions to the environment.
- Recognise the impact that our use of transport has on the environment and seek to adopt and promote more sustainable practices.
- Where appropriate procure materials and services within a framework of sustainability.
- Recognise the importance and value of Scotland’s biodiversity and seek ways of conserving and enhancing this resource where possible.
- Promote the wider recognition of the importance and value of Scotland’s historic environment, and the wider adoption of the principles for its sustainable management.
- Promote awareness, and provide the resources and training needed to deliver this policy.
- Openly measure, audit, review and report on our progress.

Signed: John Graham

Dated: 4-9-06

# HISTORIC SCOTLAND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMMES – 2006/2007

1.1 EN Managing Director

OBJECTIVE (Greening Government Policy)	TARGET (HS wide)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USE ENERGY EFFICIENTLY TO MINIMISE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To establish an accurate baseline figure for energy consumption (Kwatt Hours) for Longmore House <b>by Sept 2006</b></li> <li>• To establish accurate baseline figures for energy consumption for regional offices, Stenhouse, South Gyle and Newcraighall <b>by Dec 2006</b></li> <li>• To collate energy consumption data from all GTBS registered sites <b>by Sept 2006</b></li> <li>• In absence of baseline data reduce energy consumption by <b>2% by March 2007 at Longmore House</b></li> <li>• To take staff at Longmore House through environmental awareness training including a focus on energy efficiency by <b>March 2007</b></li> <li>• To run two train the trainers sessions on EMS and energy in <b>October /November 2006</b></li> </ul>

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## RESOURCE USE - WASTE

<b>2. OBJECTIVE</b> (Greening Government Policy)	<b>3. TARGET</b> (HS wide)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MINIMISE WASTE BY REDUCTION, REUSE, REPAIR AND RECYCLING METHODS</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Establish an accurate baseline figure for paper consumption by <b>Sept 2006</b></li><li>• To cut paper consumption by 15% by <b>March 2007</b></li><li>• Achieve 75% use of sustainably sourced paper by <b>March 2007</b></li><li>• Establish from waste contractor baseline figures for other categories of waste by <b>March 2007</b></li></ul>

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**TRAVEL**

4. OBJECTIVE (Greening Government Policy)	5. TARGET (HS wide)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TO REDUCE THE NEED TO TRAVEL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Undertake a transport usage survey of staff at Longmore House <b>by Sept 2006</b></li><li>• Establish most used modes of travel within the organisation and determine whether these are the most optimal <b>by Sept 2006</b></li><li>• Establish the baseline business use of taxis <b>by Sept 2006</b></li><li>• Establish and increase the use of video conferencing <b>by Dec 2006</b></li></ul>

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## SPECIFIC PARTS OF THE ENVIRONMENT

6. OBJECTIVE (Greening Government Policy)	7. TARGET (HS wide)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TO CONSERVE AND ENHANCE BIODIVERSITY</li> <li>• TO PROMOTE BEST PRACTICE FOR THE SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To investigate ways in which the organisation can best conserve and enhance biodiversity and report <b>by March 2007</b></li><li>• Review existing ecological surveys of sites and develop prioritised action plan <b>by March 2007</b></li> <li>• Review Historic Scotland's policy <b>by Oct 2006</b></li><li>• Liaise with SDD to embed more fully the principles for the sustainable management of the historic environment within SE policies for sustainable development <b>by Dec2006</b></li></ul>