



## Sustainable Development Checklist

'Sustainable Development' is now understood to be essential, if we wish to ensure that today's citizens continue to enjoy a reasonable quality of life and tomorrow's generations inherit a bright future too, whether here in the UK, or across the globe.

This checklist can help assess where your organization is doing well in sustainable development and where it might improve. Good luck!

Our organization aims to:

Issue	Yes	No	N/A	Comments eg plans to improve environmental or sustainable development performance
<b>Waste Management</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avoid consuming too much! ie minimise un-necessary inputs, raw materials and minerals</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avoid un-necessary waste! ie minimise the production of waste and re-use or recycle 'waste' materials</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make use of recycled products where practicable</li> </ul>				
<b>Food for Life</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eat well and promote healthy eating</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote the production and consumption of local food, as well as sustainable methods of food production</li> </ul>				
<b>Promoting Good Health</b>				
Contribute to and promote good physical and mental health and well-being and the concept of 'healthy lifestyles'				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide healthy and safe working environments for employees</li> </ul>				

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<b>Wildlife Conservation and Biodiversity</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Protect and enhance the Borough's wildlife and biodiversity eg by creating habitats, putting up nest boxes etc</li> </ul>				
<b>Countryside and Open Space</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conserve, enhance and encourage people to enjoy the Borough's characteristic landscape and features – including urban green spaces, Local Nature Reserves and the countryside in general</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make use of previously developed land ('PDL') or vacant buildings rather than green field sites</li> </ul>				
<b>Community and Where We Live</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be aware of, and help to minimize, crime and fear of crime and promote community safety</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide homes or services that are easily accessible to employment, shopping and other facilities on foot, by bike or on public transport</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase awareness and understanding of, and promote, 'sustainable lifestyles' and 'sustainable communities'</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conserve and enhance the built environment, protect the local heritage and promote local diversity and distinctiveness, thus ensuring a 'sense of community' and neighbourhood</li> </ul>				
<b>Local Economy and Rewarding Employment</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide satisfying and fairly paid work, with opportunities for the local workforce, including training</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use local goods and services wherever possible</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide or support business opportunities in the environment sector eg production of environmental goods and services, renewable technologies etc</li> </ul>				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorporate good environmental management practices (both to increase business competitiveness and benefit the environment)</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offer opportunities for voluntary and unpaid work</li> </ul>				
<b>Cultural Life in Stafford Borough</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage participation in sport and recreation, art, culture and heritage opportunities</li> </ul>				
<b>Sustainable Transport</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve facilities and conditions for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users eg by providing secure cycle parking</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote and encourage sustainable transport and support 'greener travel options', including more efficient use of the car eg car-sharing eg promotion or provision of 'greener vehicles'</li> </ul>				
<b>Access to Education and Education for Sustainability</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote and support opportunities to participate in lifelong learning</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote 'education for sustainable development' both in formal and informal settings</li> </ul>				
<b>Inclusion and Equity</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage citizens, employees, young people etc to become informed and involved in decision-making and increase equality of access to information by communicating in different ways</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take into account the needs of special groups eg vulnerable people, people of different cultural background, people who live in the rural parts of Stafford Borough</li> </ul>				

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<b>Resource Use</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage more efficient use of all resources, including water, energy, construction materials, packaging materials etc</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote the development and use of renewable or recycled resources eg 'green electricity' eg paper</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote sustainability in building and construction eg energy efficiency, grey water recycling, use of solar energy</li> </ul>				
<b>Wider Environmental Issues</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be aware of, and help to tackle, global pressures on the environment and resources</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimise pollution ie air, water, land, noise, light and in particular reduce greenhouse gas emissions which contribute to climate change</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Think ahead – and in particular take into account the potential future impacts of climate change</li> </ul>				
<b>Wider Sustainability Issues</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be aware of and help to eliminate global poverty and help raise living standards in poor countries eg support 'fair trade'</li> </ul>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote respect for different cultures, for the environment, for biodiversity and for animal welfare</li> </ul>				

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