Planned Carbon reduction actions within the Council (NI185) known from April 2010 onwards

The NI185 baseline for carbon emissions from council operations (including contractors) was 22,730 tonnes of carbon dioxide in 2008/09. The return for 2009/10 will be complete in July 2010. An annual reduction of 284 tonnes is needed to achieve our current 1.25% reduction target.

The following actions have been identified work to quantify the likely individual contributions will be unlikely.

Lead service	Action planned
HALO	Committed to 10% reduction in 2010. These to be achieved by measures including changing to energy efficient lighting , replacement of outdated heaters and boilers, installation of timing circuits and insulation
Amey	Committed to 10% reduction in 2010 (contractual requirement of 1.25% reduction). This will be achieved principally through the vehicle tracking systems now installed on all vehicles, purchase of more fuel efficient vehicles and a review of street lighting
ICT	Automatic switch off of office computers at end of day and after periods of inactivity using Verismic
AMPS	Mailings information about energy efficiency and renewables funding opportunities to schools
AMPS	Building Children's centre at Broadlands and Intervention centre at Lady Hawkins using the award winning eco-friendly design used first at Lady Hawkins eco-classroom last year
AMPS	 The Asset Management Plan commits to playing a role in meeting the council's target of a 20% reduction in carbon by 2020. Plans currently include: Further capital investment in HALO managed centres to include variable speed fans and improved energy efficient lighting. Refurbishment of Widemarsh Common Sports Pavilion with improved insulation and efficient boiler. Demolition of LEA pool. Plans for replacement of Leominster Junior and Infants schools with new build primary school. Initiation of new build Hereford Academy. Completion of new build Minster College. Demolition of St David's centre. Extension of PowerPerfector scheme Tightening up on procurement conditions in respect of environmental/sustainability criteria for AMPS let contracts. Ongoing programme of disposal of redundant buildings
PCT	Carbon Management Strategy to be adopted as part of estates Management Strategy. NHS reduction target is a minimum of 2% per year – approx 70 tonnes for PCT sources identified thus far
Highways & Transportation	Staff Travel Plan (monitored 3 yearly and more regularly via transport claims), Sustainable Travel Promotions, School Travel Plans, Safer Routes to School, Cycle schemes, Access to Rail Stations, Public Transport promotions
Waste Collection	The new recycling scheme (from September 2009) covers nearly 100% of households compared to approx 70% covered by the previous sack and blue box scheme so mileage and thus fuel consumption has increased. However the vehicle fleet is now substantially more efficient. Also the additional recyclate collected will have a positive effect on greenhouse gas emissions by reducing waste to landfill and thus methane emissions. However this impact is not included in the NI185 set.