

**Eco Bicester Strategic Delivery Board – 30 May 2013
Demonstration Projects**

Summary: Demonstration projects are all progressing very well. A number of projects have now come to an end such as the insulation scheme and reuse centre which have been subject to separate final reports.

Project	Project Lead	Commence	Expected finish date	Update	Issues
Eco Bicester demonstration building	Cherwell District Council / P3 Eco	October 2010	Construction Complete - Use until November 2012.	<p>Opening hours 12- 4pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday.</p> <p>Programme of activities now being delivered including school visits.</p> <p>Recent successful uses have been fortnightly Carbon Conversations training for local community group, exhibition space for Cherwell Local plan, Bicester master plan and Green Olympics display. It also played an important role during Bicester Town Council's activities day to engage with large numbers of families around green activities focusing on energy efficiency and recycling.</p> <p>Programme to March 2013 being revised to support delivery of Green Deal Pilot.</p> <p>Use of the building will come to an end on the 31 May 2013. Work is in hand to remove the building.</p>	Discussions on going re demolition of the building.
Community Garden	Bicester Town Council		Construction complete	21 July 2011 formal opening of garden.	
Bryan House Provision of 23 affordable homes in Chapel Street that will set a new benchmark for sustainable homes	Sanctuary Group	18 March 2011	Completion July 2012	Bryan House was the redevelopment of a brownfield site in Chapel Street. It has provided affordable homes for 23 households and achieved a mix of Levels 4 and 5 of the Code for Sustainable Homes.	

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in Bicester				<p>The units were let under a local lettings plan that sets out criteria for occupancy within an eco setting. There is an increased emphasis on the links between access to affordable homes and employment with a target of 70% of lettings being made to applicants who are either working, in training or able to demonstrate a positive contribution to the community. The Lettings Plan also includes a Green Charter for tenants.</p> <p>The formal opening of the scheme took place in October 2013.</p> <p>TSB funding has been received to enable monitoring of the energy performance of the buildings so lessons can be learnt for future development of high code level schemes.</p>	
Development of new sixth form centre for Cooper School	Oxfordshire County Council		Completed on schedule - July 2011	Phase 1 of the new build at The Cooper School was completed on time. Phase 2 of the carbon neutral Sixth Form Block handed over in July.	
Travel Behaviour Demonstration Project	Oxfordshire County Council	September 2012	On going through 2012/13	<p>Cycle for Bicester has closed down for the winter. Feedback forms have been sent to those who took part some months ago and positive feedback has been received from people saying they are still enjoying cycling and are glad they took part.</p> <p>The Cycle for Bicester scheme for 2013 is again taking place with details available on the Eco Bicester website.</p> <p>A2Dominion are holding a second Bicester</p>	

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				Bike day on the 31 August 2013.	
Eco Technology and Awareness Programmes	Oxford and Cherwell Valley College	May 2011	Ongoing	Practitioner Eco Energy Awareness Courses for the public and schools in: domestic solar hot water, rain water harvesting, heat pump ground and air source.	
Construction of new community hall facilities 'John Paul II Centre'	P3 Eco	May 2010	Completed Summer 2011	Completed and thought to be largest PassivHaus non residential building in the UK. Formal opening November 2011. The venue is now available for use and hire.	
Bicester insulation measures scheme	CDC through USEA	November 2010		1554 (including free scheme and Priority Group) installations as part of the Bicester insulation scheme, equates to more than 10% of Bicester's homes. Scheme closed to new referrals at the end of September. Southwold community centre insulated though Bicester scheme. Two other community centres are now also seeking support for insulation measures.	
Reuse and Sustainable Living Centre	Resource Futures	March 2012	March 2013	Manager appointed to progress the development of the Centre. Business plan produced – see report Premises at Station Approach have now been secured and Centre Manager appointed.	
Bicester Green Deal Pilot	Funded by DECC delivered by CDC working with Bio Regional	January 2013	End of May 2013	DECC funding received to deliver 100 green deal assessments to Bicester households and 5 residential and 2 commercial retrofits that reflect the works that can be delivered through the governments green deal scheme. 5 further retrofits to be delivered using eco town grant. Retrofits will demonstrate the approaches that can be taken to improve	

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				<p>properties using a green deal approach for different property types in the town.</p> <p>100 green deal assessments have now been completed and drop in sessions held to help people understand the reports they have received.</p> <p>Retrofits are underway and will most will be completed by the end of May.</p> <p>Open House event is being held 1/2nd June to promote energy efficiency measures in the town.</p>	