

Case Study Template

Topic (from our list of categories)	MANAGEMENT: Resource Use
Name of Initiative	Maximising Contractor Efficiencies and Sustainability
Name of Local Authority / Organisation	Mid-Sussex District Council http://www.midsussex.gov.uk/page.cfm
Related Topics/Issues	MANAGEMENT: Best Value, Effective Partnerships, Sustainable Working, Change Management

Aims & Objectives	Maintaining an 'Innovation Forum' with contractors in order to brainstorm options to achieve best value in the various maintenance contracts in place.
Outcomes & Impacts	Engage the contractors in sustainable management practices for the future development and management of the parks and open spaces.
Process	Two meetings per year attended by all those with long term contracts with MSDC i.e. cleansing services, landscape maintenance and building maintenance contractors.
Resources/Funding	Evaluating the use of resources by Contractors and how they be used more efficiently. There are no funding costs just everyones time to attend the meetings and providing office space.
Timescales	Efficiencies to be realised during the term of the contracts
Evaluation	Evaluation criteria will be discussed and agreed for each initiative
Prospects & Opportunities	Opportunities for MSDC to better understand the commercial environment and Contractors to better understand the public environment in relation to green space management.
Key Learning/Advice for Others	Receptive to innovation and alternative methods of operation. Encouraging and accepting change. Auditing existing practices and setting targets for improvement eg carbon emissions

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