TEESDALE PARTNERSHIP (LSP)

THEMATIC GROUP LEAD MEMBER REPORT FORM

THEMATIC GROUP:	DATES COVERED IN REPORT:
Environment Group Lead Member: Cllr O Hedley	February to March – prepared for Executive Committee 7 th April, 2008

MILESTONES AND DELIVERABLES ACHIEVED THIS PERIOD:

The Environment Group of Teesdale Partnership has met twice since the last Executive Committee.

This group is a joint group with Wear Valley District LSP.

The group succeeded in staging a successful Climate Change Event held at Bishop Auckland Town Hall. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness of energy efficiency measures and renewable energy solutions. Helen Goodman MP was the keynote speaker and the event was well attended and received.

The Sustainable Community Strategy has undergone a final consultation period and the final edit has now been done. An executive summary version has been produced and both documents are with designers who will produce a version suitable for print. The launch of the SCS will take place at the Teesdale Partnership AGM 30th April, 2008 at Mickleton Village Hall.

The action plan for Teesdale progresses well with all partners actively involved.

MILESTONES AND DELIVERABLES TO BE ACHIEVED NEXT PERIOD:

A further event is being planned and is being led by Nadia Wetherall, Lead Officer for the Environment Group for Teesdale. The event is a 'Teesdale plastic bag free' event which the Environment Group hope to persuade Wear Valley to participate in to make this a 'Dales free' event. This proposed event links to reducing the ecological footprint which features in the Teesdale Action Plan and the Sustainable Community Strategy, the event also links with Barnard Castle Vision and the Retail Distinctiveness Study.

ISSUES AND EXCEPTIONS THIS PERIOD:

None	
Signed (Lead Member)	 Date