

NATIONAL INDICATORS (NI) BRIEFING NOTE FOR LSP ENVIRONMENT GROUP
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The Government has published a number (198) of indicators to measure the impact of activities in the public sector. There are some specific to the environment and the remit of this group. Ref Communities and Local Government website

NI 185 CO2 reduction from local authority operations (ref TVBC Carbon Management Plan)
NI 186 CO2 emissions in a local authority area
NI 188 adapting to climate change (TVBC to prepare strategy for its activities)
NI 191 to 193 waste recycling
NI 194 air quality (applies to local authorities)
NI 195 & 196 street cleanliness (fly tipping, graffiti, litter)
NI 197 improved local biodiversity (number of local sites with a management plan)

In developing actions to meet the targets the Government encourages a partnership approach, the greatest impact can be achieved by joint working rather than working in isolation.

There is a role for the LSP and the various action groups to minimise the impact of their organisations' activities on the environment.

The scope for action is extensive however to make an impact it may be appropriate to focus on specific areas.

The Council is working on initiatives cover many of the NIs, not just those listed above. Working with the other authorities across Hampshire it is currently focusing on NI 186 and NI 188. It is proposed to report progress to future meetings of this Group.