CAFS communication plan... Young Scots tackling air pollution

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Air quality continues to hit the news...



immediate measures to reduce air pollution under European law.

The ruling represents a victory for campaigners who began legal action after the UK breached EU limits for nitrogen dioxide.

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Scottish Environment Protection Agency • Public link still to be made between source and solutions

Communicating the issues in CAFS

Transport:

A sociland that reduces transport emissions by supporting the uptake of low and zero emission fuels and technologies, promoting a modal shift away from the car, through active travel (waiking and cycling) and reducing the need to travel.

Legislation and Policy:

A Scotland where all European and Scottish legal requirements relating to air quality are as a minimum compiled with.

Communication:

A Scotland where all citizens are well informed, engaged, and empowered to improve our air quality.

from the harmful effects of air pollution, reducing health inequalities.

Health:

Placemaking:

A Scotland where air quality is not compromised by new or existing development and where places are designed to minimise air pollution and its effects.

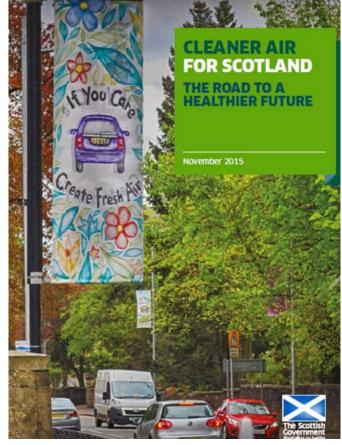
A Scotland which protects its citizens

Climate Change:

A Scotland that reduces greenhouse gas emissions and achieves its renewable energy targets whilst delivering co-benefits for air quality.

Communications Working Group

- Sets out communication plan
- Different ways to communicate to the public and wider audience
- Maintain a consistent message
- Match style and message with audience





Working in partnership...





- Helps to deliver the same message
- Utilising existing and shared resources
- Delivering multiple benefits
- Communicating message to key groups
- Linking with wider duties





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Working with young adults...



Work programme for 2016:

- Pre-Jam Taster Event 18 June
- Whispering Dishes VentureJam Kick Off event 5 August
- VentureJam Weekend Workshop 6 and 7 August
- Developing the pitch for Venturefest Scotland 27 August
- Promotions and Building Projections 30 August
- The final Pitch at Venturefest 1 September





Presenting information at the Pre-Jam Taster event...



- Event aimed at wide age group
- Present information at different levels
- Provide hands-on material
- Mix information with practical/interesting facts
- Developing knowledge and confidence







Young people thinking about the issues at VentureJam...

VentureJam Weekend:

- Workshop aimed at older age group
- Present information at different levels
 - factsheets
 - exhibits
 - mentors
- Allow participants to develop
- Nurture ideas we can all contribute to solutions
- Developing concept towards business plan















Scotland's own DRAGONS' DEN at Venturefest... SCOTLAND 2016



Venturefest Scotland:

- 3 teams went up against it...
- Ideas can turn in to reality
- No single solution
- Builds confidence
- Information and solution is in their hands
- Winning team can now develop their prototype





Builds confidence, raises awareness to the problems without lecturing about the issue

Grabbing the publics attention...

Getting the message out there...

• There are many ways to get the information out

- Something bold can capture the attention and imagination
- Develop new ways to communicate
- Social media gets people talking





Capturing the younger audience...

Changing the communication method:

- National education package for schools
- Taking good ideas, presenting information in a different format to educate and engage
- Provide hands-on interactive material
- Inform and promote
- 300,000 annual visitors
- 76,000 Educational in-reach participants



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Interactive Clean Air for Scotland exhibit Identifying glasgow science centre Health Sources **Effects** AIR QUALIT **Pollutants** Interactive **City Model** Interactive **Build your** Screen Monitor The Scott Scottish Environment Government

Protection Agency

Amazing young audience...

- **Exhibit Launched 18 January:**
- Kids from St Ninians, Hamilton
- Providing their thoughts and experiences
- Jumping right in... hands on with the exhibit
- Fun and informative
- Links with other exhibits... Body Works, Power the Future, Open Air Laboratories...
- Educational Outreach







There are sources of air pollution all around us in our everyday lives... The air we breathe is something that we all take for granted, as we cannot actually see it...

Key message's from the kids...

Air pollution has an impact on our health and wellbeing... In our local area unnecessary short car journeys is something we could stop...

Concluding on communication strategy...

- Partnership working is key you can't deliver everything
- Deliver the right message different formats for the different audiences
- Air quality can be the hidden theme
- Drive towards improvements as everything helps

We all contribute to poor Air Quality... and for delivering improvements



