

**SSN September Quarterly Meeting –
SSN's Best Value & Sustainable
Development Toolkit One Year On:
Application & Reflection**



Date: 13th September 2007
Host Council: Falkirk Council
Venue: Falkirk Council Chambers

By September 2007, SSN's Best Value and Sustainable Development Toolkit will have been in use for one year. After a comprehensive consultation process, involving the Scottish Executive, Audit Scotland, Scottish local authorities, sustainable development NGOs and academics, the document was commended for use to local government by the Scottish Executive's Environment Group and Public Service Reform Group in September 2006.

The SSN September quarterly meeting will provide an opportunity for SSN members to learn from one another's use of the document locally, and to inform the development of the Toolkit as a web-based tool.

10.00	Coffee / registration
10.25	Alan Speedie - Chair's welcome
10:35	Cllr Adrian Mahoney, Convenor, Environment & Heritage Committee, Falkirk Council - Local welcome
10.45	Tim Birley – The Toolkit: reflection and application
11.10	Brenda Roddy - Falkirk Council – Making use of the Duty and Toolkit: encouraging cross-service engagement with sustainable development
11.30	Coffee
12.00	Scottish Government – Best Value, SD and Continuous Improvement Tom Davy, Greener Scotland Team, Scottish Government Susan Duncan, Best Value Policy Manager, Scottish Government <i>Followed by Q&A session</i>
12.30	Preview of the Best Value & Sustainable Development Toolkit in new formats
12.45	Lunch
13.45	Workshops – delving into the detail of local application 1) Falkirk Council 2) East Renfrewshire Council 3) South Lanarkshire Council An opportunity for members to learn from one another's use of the toolkit
15.00	Feedback from workshops
15.25	SSN Update
15.45	Close of SSN business
15:45	EST Energy Awareness Training – outline of course material, methodology, LA experience of delivering course, next steps for those Councils that are interested.
16:30	Close