

Outcome	Output	Actions –mainly as proposed in RFS	Further details of proposed Action	Start Date of Action	Estimated end date of action	Lead Partner And other partners involved
Improved Quality of Life	Accessible Woodlands	1. Produce a map of the region's public access woodlands to enable better planning and promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'Space for People' (version 1) produced with GIS information available down to district level. To be circulated to key stakeholders.</li> <li>• Assess the extent of permissibly accessible woodlands and apply WT woodland access standard to determine areas with and without access to woodlands at both levels of standard.</li> <li>• 'Space for People' updated annually – Version 2 data collection in the NE will commence in 2005 with revised data available Oct 2005.</li> <li>• Use Space for People information to target grants for increasing access to woodland and new woodland creation.</li> </ul>	Sept 2004	Ongoing	<u>Woodland Trust</u> FC, Local Authorities
		2. Identify where major gaps exist in the availability of public access woodlands, in line with the Woodland Trust's Accessible Woodland Standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'Space for People' expected to be used as a tool to target woodland creation, and extension of access, by local and regional authorities, landowners and other decision makers, to ensure everyone can enjoy multiple benefits of woodlands.</li> </ul>	2005	2007	<u>Woodland Trust</u> FC, Local Authorities
		3. Dedicate woodlands to secure public access	Forestry Commission will dedicate its freehold estate in NE Region (62 000ha) for public access on foot under CROW Act.	Nov 2004	Nov 2005	<u>Forest Enterprise</u>
	Cultural Heritage	1. Promote the cultural and heritage benefits of trees, woodlands and forestry through publications and events		2005	2007	<u>NE Community Forests</u>
	Lifelong Learning	2. Increase opportunities for all children growing up in the NE to visit woodlands and plant trees	Linked to Woodland Trust 'Tree for All' initiative	2005	2005	<u>NE Community Forests</u> Woodland Trust
	Woodland Visits	1. Promote 'Exploring Woodland guide' and other books covering access to woodlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'Exploring Woodlands – 101 Walks' to be revised for launch in spring 2006.</li> <li>• Information to be gathered for revised version from Sept 2005. Opportunity to be taken to collate information on other locally produced guides.</li> <li>• Local promotion programme of publications to be agreed</li> </ul>	Sept 2005	Dec 2006	<u>Woodland Trust</u> FC, ONE
		2. Improve facilities and quality of experience at woodland recreation sites	2005 (a)regular annual improvements to facilities and providing information services to visitors (b) round the lake multi user trail (c) Hamsterley Trail Blazers (HTB)	Started	Ongoing	<u>Forest Enterprise</u>

## Implementation and Leadership

Our trees, woodlands and forests will be accessible and promote social well-being for the region's people and visitors.

Outcome	Output	Actions –mainly as proposed in RFS	Further details of proposed Action	Start Date of Action	Estimated end date of action	Lead Partners And other partners involved
Communication	RSS	1. Ensure the Regional Spatial Strategy includes appropriate woodland and forestry policies and targets that can be cascaded to Local Development Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FC Input to development of RSS</li> <li>Response to RSS consultation</li> <li>Contributing targets and monitoring information.</li> </ul>	2005	2006	<b>Forestry Commission</b>
		2. Promote the role of 'green infrastructure' within 'The Northern Way' and the Regional Housing Strategy		2005	2006	<b>NE Community Forests</b> English Partnerships Local Authorities Land Restoration Trust
		Embed tree, woodland and forest policies in the RSS, so they are then cascaded to LDF	Policy 40 of consultation draft RSS	Started	Ongoing	<b>North East Assembly</b>
		Promote a strategic approach to new woodland creation	Policy 40 of consultation draft RSS	Started	ongoing	<b>North East Assembly</b>
Delivery	Kielder Forest	1. Harness the potential of Kielder Forest as the largest publicly-owned area of land, to help deliver key regional outcomes	Forest planning and design Tree planting Forest management Forest Roads Harvesting Cost of managing forest for sustainable production	Started	Ongoing	<b>Forest Enterprise</b>
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restructure Kielder Forest District Strategic plan to link with RFS</li> <li>In year 1 develop the role of Kielder in towards specific regional targets e.g. renewable energy and red squirrels</li> </ul>	Started	Ongoing	<b>Forestry Commission</b> Forest Enterprise, Integrated Agency, GONE, NEREG

# List of Lead Partners

The organisations represented on the RFS Delivery Group are highlighted (in red).

Acronym	Lead Partner Name	Acronym	Lead Partner Name
BIG	Biomass Implementation Group	NEA	North East Assembly
CA	Countryside Agency	NPA	North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
DPCT	Derwentside Primary Care Trust	Nw	Northwoods
DCC	Durham County Council	NCC	Northumberland County Council
EA	Environment Agency	NNP	Northumberland National Park
EN	English Nature	NSP	Northumberland Strategic Partnership
FE	Forest Enterprise	CDEP	County Durham Economic Partnership
FC	Forestry Commission	ONE	One NorthEast
FTA	Forestry and Timber Association	RRP	Renewables & Recyclables Project
GPCT	Gateshead Primary Care Trust	SE	Sport England
GO-NE	Government Office for the North East	TC	Tree Council
GFG	Greening for Growth	TDC	Tynedale District Council
HA	Highways Agency	NWT	Northumberland Wildlife Trust
ANEC	Association of North East Councils	WT	Woodland Trust
NECF	North East Community Forests		
NEFF	North East Forestry Forum		

## What happens next?

### Next year's Annual Delivery Plan 2006-07

We will be compiling the Annual Delivery Plan for the 2006-07 year as the current year progresses, and we are happy to hear from any new potential contributors.

*"The Strategy depends for its effectiveness on many regional partners contributing towards the delivery of the priority outcomes. For each activity, a Lead Partner has agreed to coordinate delivery and to seek the involvement of other partner organisations. They will need the support of many partners in the region, so do let us know if you can help to deliver any of the actions. Please send offers of support for delivering this Strategy, or any further ideas, to the contact point shown on the back cover."*

**Jonathan Blackie, Regional Director, Government Office for the North East**  
– in his introduction to the Regional Forest Strategy.

We expect the Annual Delivery Plan 2006-07 to be produced in Spring 2006.

# Annual Monitoring of Progress

## Regional Monitoring and Progress Indicators



## Annual Monitoring Report

Towards the end of the 2005-06 year, the Delivery Group will gather reports about progress on each of the Actions in this Annual Delivery Plan. We will then publish the Annual Monitoring Report on the 2005-06 year, reporting on this progress. We will also note the contribution the Actions will have made to appropriate objectives and targets above.