

	<p>All to send any other monetary examples they come across in their field of work.</p> <p>Sustainable Land Management</p> <p>DB advised that there have been ongoing problems with algal blooms affecting certain Orkney lochs, e.g. Burness in Westray and Kirbister in Orphir. If not addressed, these could result in a shortfall of available water, particularly if there is a dry summer this year. Following a meeting between DB, SEPA and Scottish Water to discuss these issues, SW carried out a survey at to look at difficulties and this has led to grant funding being made available for land managers to resolve issues and improve processes. Land surveys to look at nitrate use, cattle movements etc will qualify for 100% funding, certain other work including fencing and water pumps will qualify for 75% funding. Grant application can be made between June and November 2014.</p> <p>SP commented that SAC has already had a meeting with local landowners, and 5 have already signed up for Water Environment Management Plans (WEMPs).</p> <p>DB mentioned that the winter populations of geese could be a contributory factor.</p> <p>JC mentioned the existence of an historic sustainable farming report which was undertaken by the Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group (FWAG) and could be made available, if required.</p>	
2	<p>The Environment Strategy Action Plan</p> <p>The Environment Strategy Action Plan was updated. The updates have now been included in the Action Plan, and can be found in the attached revised version.</p>	
4.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>September 2014 was identified as the best month for the next meeting – ES to confirm date, time and venue</p>	