

University Network Skill Share Proposal

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This proposal is based on feedback from the network at The Forum 2006 and is the suggestions of the network on how they would like to see network communication/skill sharing in the future. After consultation with the network, further discussion will be held at the Summer Gathering and the action points (both completed and future) of the current proposal will be available by this date.

People & Planet will be launching a new website in April/May 2006 and the redesigning of this website will allow many of the suggestions below to be implemented with greater ease and speed.

Feedback will be greatly appreciated on each of the proposals below and suggestions for others methods to increase network communication and skill sharing will be welcomed. N.B Any suggestions will be limited by the capacity of the office in terms of money, time and resources and any legal ramifications of potentials actions.

Key:

OT = Outreach team

UT = Universities team

CT = Campaigns team

RR = Regional Representative

Text in red indicates action needed by groups in the network

ACTION AREA	ACTION	DETAILS	TIMESCALE
People & Planet Website (peopleandplanet.org)	Provide key organiser contact details	Login area to get contact details of key organisers of other groups (login to stop spamming and free access to contact details)	Summer term
	Group profiles on website	Profiles of each group, listing the campaigns they are running and a short description (written themselves). Links to individual group websites.	Summer term

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	Resources area on website	Space provided to upload resources such as posters/flyers/briefings/motions so groups can share and save time/work and use the talents of other groups to best effect.	Summer term
	P&P Web Forum	Work to promote existing web form by Oxford P&P OR set up new web forum on the P&P web server	Pros and Cons of each option to be discussed with stakeholders during April/May.
	Set up a links page	Set up a links page linking useful resources to help people with campaigns (<i>ideas from network very welcome</i>).	Summer term
	<i>More news/success stories on the website – groups to provide office with write up of key events & activities.</i>	To share news/ideas/motivation across the network.	Ongoing
	Case studies of campaigns including FAQ's, success stories etc.	To help with groups running the same campaigns, so they can see examples of similar scenarios, questions answered.	Summer term (with launch of new website)
Individual Groups	<i>Assign a communications officer as part of the group</i>	<i>To liaise with group/office/region rep etc... to improve network communication.</i>	Ongoing
	<i>Use regional emails lists for regional communication</i>	<i>Use the current regional email lists to communicate within their region about collaborative actions/events and ideas.</i>	Ongoing
Regional Networking	Hold regular regional meetings/events	(2 a year/1 a term?)	Ongoing

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	Local collaboration between autonomous campaign groups.	Local groups to work together on big events e.g. Freshers Fairs/e&e weeks?	Ongoing
Emails	Interns & regional reps. to register on groups email lists	To allow greater information sharing and networking between office and groups and between groups.	Ongoing (especially in September/October when new lists are created/updated)
	Contact details of campaign heads to be made available	To allow more networking on specific campaign issues. This could be as a page on the website or as a distributed email list.	Summer term
Action Update & Newsletters	Increased student input/stories into quarterly action update and other newsletters/emails. Students letter page in Action Update?	More network involvement into publications to increase participation and 'sense of ownership' and idea sharing	Ongoing