SUDDUCK COUNTY COUNCIL
 AGREED ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY RELATING TO THE DESIGN OF
 HIGHWAY WORKS

Suffolk County Council is committed to achieving high environmental standards
to its transport activities. The Suffolk Manual has been recognised as
representing best practice in ensuring that the protection and enhancement of the
environment is an integral part of scheme design.

The following agreement builds on the principles set out in the Manual.

1. Environmental policies will be included in the new Local Transport Plan.

2. All schemes will be subject of an EnCheck (Environmental GIS checking
system for environmental designations).

3. All schemes will be carried out in accordance with The Suffolk Manual (a
series of manuals giving guidance on highway works in sensitive urban and
rural locations).

4. All environmentally sensitive schemes as identified by EnCheck will be
referred to the relevant environmental specialists for advice at the early
design stage. Larger schemes will be designed by a multidisciplinary team to
ensure the environmental issues are addressed.

5. Schemes which are:
   over £50,000
   or over 400m in length
   or half a hectare in area
   or falling within any designated area
will be the subject of an informal environmental impact assessment.

6. Senior managers to visit shared space schemes on the continent. A pilot
shared space project currently at design stage.

7. The method of carrying out a clutter audit to be assessed at a senior level.
We will be considering options for undertaking clutter audits cost effectively.