Governance for Sustainability

The corporate Sustainability Strategy has been crafted by the University Sustainability Office; this gives expectations and planning from a corporate level which plans to reduce the risk to the environment, damage to health, prosecution, reputational damage, breach of financial requirements, reduce clean up and disposal costs and comply with the requirements of ISO14001 certification that the University presently holds. They also lead the strategy and Management of this policy by auditing and reporting back to Colleges. The link to this strategy can be found at http://www.exeter.ac.uk/sustainability/

The Colleges responsibility will be to imbed and communicate these strategies so that it becomes part of the sustainability culture within the College. The College will analyse and communicate their performance based on any action plan that has come out of any College/University auditing process. The College will identify, within their own place of work, ways in which this can help to improve not only on their own strategy but also that of the University. This whole process will be one of co-operation and continual improvement. The overall responsibility for the strategy, within the College, lies with the Dean but through the network of college and discipline sustainability co-ordinators we plan to carry out and continually improve on the University/College sustainability strategy. (Process of improvement detailed below):

Reference for diagram: http://www.ericlowitt.com/blog/a-clear-approach-to-connect-sustainability-to-competitive-strategy/

The below structure will be incorporated in to the College with named individuals being assigned to the below positions. These coordinators will be responsible for facilitating the distribution of the Sustainability newsletter, attend Sustainability coordinator meetings and to distribute relevant information provided to all staff. They will also coordinate participation to the annual University Green Impact Award.