15 "QUICK WINS" to enable you to become a

Green Museum

1) Meter and monitor your resource use (that's electricity, gas, water, and waste). This will provide the museum with its own benchmark to improve on...



2) Turn your thermostat down by just 1°C and you could Cut your heating bill by 10%! (19°C is the optimum temperature during the Winter months, and 23°C in Summer)



3) Check you timers! Is the heating/cooling system on for more than it needs to be? Or are those electric heaters in hidden places using large amounts of energy when they don't need to be?



4) Are all you pipes <code>insulated?</code> Un-insulated pipes reduce radiator output by 70%. Use rockwool or foam to insulate all of the pipes (a cheap DIY job!)



5) Update your display lighting to use **low energy bulbs** (it doesn't all have to be done in one go...just in financially manageable amounts)

- 6) In areas where people don't walk all the time, begin to install motion and light Sensors on the lights...then they will only turn them on when it is dark enough and when people are using the space...so in other words the lights will only be turned on when they are actually needed.
- 7) Do you really need all of the lights on? Label and practice **light Zoning** with your light switches to indicate which areas they might light so that when it is bright outside, lights next to the windows can be turned off.



8) Make it as easy as possible for staff and visitors to **recycle** as much as possible by putting out sets of clearly labelled bins in obvious locations.

- 9) Give an active preference to products with **minimal packaging** (so that you don't have to pay for its disposal) and try and ensure that they are as **locally sourced** as possible and consider only providing a bag for your product if asked (not automatically!).
- 10) Toilet cisterns can use as much as 9 litres of clean water every flush. Reduce this by placing a 'Save-a-flush' or 'hippo' in the cistern. These are often available free of charge from your local water company.



12) Change your **electricity supplier** to a 'Green One' such LoCo2 energy, Green Energy and Ecotricity

13) Use environmentally friendly Cleaning products.



14) Maximise savings by **putting up signage** (printed on scrap paper) reminding staff and visitors to save energy and waste

15) Use 100% recycled paper as much as possible (that's for everything: all office documentation, paper bags in the shop, toilet paper and paper towels)



Some of these ways will help you save money...

Some will cost you a bit of money...

Some you could do tomorrow...

And some will take a little determination...

...but they will ALL help you on the road to becoming a Greener Museum



