



ReCheck Report for Rutland Railway Museum

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This report describes the performance of your organisation in terms of sustainability, as identified at your initial CommunityCheck and recent ReCheck. It is set out in the same structure as the Check.

The report is bought to you from the CommunityCheck team who are dedicated to help you and hundreds of organisations like you to reduce your environmental impacts and to increase your experience, resource base and management of environmental and community aspects important to you. In receiving this report you will already have had a CommunityCheck from us, probably by a trained volunteer, which is your first step in making changes relevant to your business and to your community and environment.

Our volunteers are benefiting from this work experience through improved career prospects, enhanced environmental knowledge and experience, the use of practical IT, marketing and presenting skills and through increased confidence. You benefit through the potential savings you can make to your bottom-line in financial terms and to your ecological footprint, your sustainability performance, your organisations public image and your role in your community.

We ask you to read this report and make full use of the recommendations it contains. Feel free to contact us for any assistance you may need or any further information you may want. Please stay in touch as we are always interested in hearing how well our Checked organisations are doing and we often write case studies and press releases, and we arrange visits to organisations demonstrating best practices which will all add to your publicity and raise your profile.

One of the fantastic aspects of this project is the large number of people in your community it has the potential to touch in some way, so don't keep your report locked away, let your staff, visitors and management have a read, there may be something of interest to them that they could use in their homes to save money and benefit the environment.

Thanks for showing your interest in the project and for your support in ensuring it delivers what it has the potential to do. Happy reading!

Stephen Passmore, CommunityCheck project manager.

The report is arranged in the same areas of community sustainability as your Check and each section includes:

- Section 1 – a summary of how your organisation has done since your previous Check and the ReCheck.
- Section 2 – looking at your organisation and the role it plays in your local community, including recommendations for further improvements.
- Section 3 – looking at your organisation and its resource use, including recommendations for further improvements.
- Section 4 – looking at your organisation and their management, training and initiatives, including recommendations for further improvements.
- Section 5 – a conclusion of your CommunityCheck experience.

How did you do?

Scoring for your previous Check and your ReCheck

All the sections have been scored. The scale is 0 - 4 with 0 being the worst you could do and 4 the best. For example a score of 3 identifies that there are good practices in place, but there are still opportunities available. A score of 1 identifies that there is possibly only one or two good practices and so there is a lot of scope for improvement.

Table 1.1: Detailing Section 2 and 3 Scores

Category		Score		Factor	Scoring		Best Possible	Worst Possible
		Check	ReCheck		Check	ReCheck		
2.1, 2.2 & 2.3	Buildings, Access & Open Spaces	2	3	3	6	9	12	0
2.4	Alternative purchasing	2.5	3	3	7.5	9	12	0
2.5	Transport	3	3.5	3	9	10.5	12	0
3.1	Harmful Substances	2	3	2	4	6	8	0
3.2	Solid Waste	3	3.5	4	12	14	16	0
3.3	Heating System	3	3	3	9	9	12	0
3.4	Energy Efficiency	3	3	4	12	12	16	0
3.5	Water	2	2.5	3	6	7.5	12	0
The Higher the better		Total =			65.5	77	100	0

Table 1.2: Detailing Section 4 Scores

Category		Score		Factor	Scoring		Best Possible	Worst Possible
		Check	ReCheck		Check	ReCheck		
4.1	Knowledge & Good Practice	2.5	3	6	15	18	12	0
4.2	Procedures & Instructions	2	3	5	10	15	12	0
4.3	Environmental Records	3	3.5	6	18	21	12	0
4.4	Management & Training	3	3	5	15	15	8	0
4.5	Taking Initiatives	2	2.5	3	6	7.5	16	0
The Higher the Better		Total =			64	76.5	100	0

Recheck Analysis and Further Recommendations for St Dionysius Church and Community Centre

Section 2: Your organisation and the Community

Category		ReCheck Analysis
2.1	Buildings	The Museum implemented a development plan, in which they used the recommendations from the Report.
2.2	Access	No changes
2.3	Open Space and Wildlife	They have now installed bird boxes.
2.4	Alternative Purchasing	They will open the new café, where they will buy local and seasonal produce. FairTrade will be purchased when the price is reasonable. They will offer e.g. the home made cakes.
2.5	Transport	The museum has started to promote public transport. They now offer leaflets of local cycle and bus routes to visitors. These leaflets are provided by Rutland County Council.

Section 3: Your Organisation and Resource Efficiency

3.1	Harmful Substances	They now use environmentally friendly cleaning products in the kitchen etc. For the exhibition it is impossible, because there are H&S directions and specialist materials.
3.2	Solid Waste	The Museum has started to recycle cardboard. They are also looking for an area to use for a compost heap.
3.3	Heating Systems	No changes.

3.4	Energy Efficiency	No changes.
3.5	Water	They did put hippos into their toilets, but because they were old, it was found that they did not work. In the new site of the museum, there will be about 5 toilets, they will use hippos. They haven't introduced any more water saving measures.

Section 4: Your Organisations Environmental Management and Initiative

4.1	Knowledge and Good Practice	They set up an environmental plan which is a part of their development plan
4.2	Procedures and Instructions	There are monthly management meetings during which they now discuss the report.
4.3	Environmental Records	They now monitor gas and electricity. They are looking into being supplied with green energy by powergen but the biggest consideration is cost
4.4	Management and Training	No changes.
4.5	Taking Initiatives	The idea of the new building is to be completely sustainable for heating and electricity. They plan to use a biofuel heating system. They are aiming to have a large area of wood for heating & electricity

5 Conclusion

It is clear that since our last visit the Rutland Railway Museum has implemented many measures to reduce their impact on the environment. It is also encouraging that many more measures such as composting and green energy are being considered.

Overall this organisation has taken seriously its environmental impact and how it can influence the wider community. It is pleasing to note that the organisation found the CommunityCheck process to be useful and inspiring.

Limitations

Community Check is not part of an enforcement process, but is a tool designed to raise awareness and improve environmental and financial performance of an organisation. Designed to pick out the main points, rather than be a detailed audit.

The information in this report was collected from visual inspections and interviews with the organisation's representative (see start) having information about the environmental practices of the organisation up to the date of the report. The passage of time, changes in legislation or occurrence of future events may require further study, analysis of data and re-evaluation of the conclusions of this report.

The conclusions presented in this report represent professional opinion based on the information described in the report and should not be considered as legal opinion.

This report is based upon, in part, unverified information supplied from third party sources. Whilst reasonable efforts have been made to substantiate this information, its' completeness or accuracy cannot be guaranteed.

No sampling or chemical analysis was undertaken as part of this report.