

Rural Development Programme for England/LEADER East Riding of Yorkshire and North Yorkshire

(Ryedale District and Scarborough Borough)
LEADER Local Action Group
Coast, Wolds, Wetlands & Waterways

Case Studies

The National Seabird Centre for England

All Funding Sources & Project Total

Funding source: RDPE LEADER CWWW - £88,142

Other Sources -

£88,558

Tota

£176,700

Start Date: 17th July 2009

End Date: 1st September 2010

Lead Organisation: RSPB

Location: Bempton Cliffs

Location of Project Manager / Registered Office: YO15 1JF

Project Summary

The project intends to transform RSPB Bempton Cliffs and create the national seabird centre for England. The seabird centre will be an international nature tourism destination and year round visitor attraction. It will form a hub for local community involvement and volunteering, and lead the way in environmental education and seabird research. The centre will also be a focus for the RSPB's vital advocacy work on marine protection and conservation, enabling them to persuade decision-makers to take steps to safeguard our seas and coasts for future generations.

The planned development will stimulate the tourism industry in the Leader area and bring economic benefits to the surrounding countryside, which is characterised by lower than average incomes and a range of problems related to rural isolation. Filmed images of seabirds will be used to attract more visits and to promote the Leader area as a nature tourism destination.



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Photos

Gannets at RSPB Bempton Cliffs

