



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

Wider Local Action Group Briefing Note No.1 2011

Programme staff at the Coast, Wolds, Wetlands & Waterways LEADER programme thought that you would appreciate an update on the current situation with regards to the LEADER programme and the wider RDPE. Below is the information that we have been sent by Yorkshire Forward.

Rural Development Programme for England Programme Update

“What funding will be available under Axis 1, 3 and 4 of the RDPE in 2011/12?”

- As a result of the Spending Review, the total RDPE Programme will be around £3.7bn for the 2007-13 Programme period, compared with the original planned budget of about £3.9bn.
- Defra has made clear that the Government will be able to continue to support improvements in farming competitiveness and support for the broader rural economy currently delivered by the RDAs under Axis 1 and 3, but total budgets for these Axes for the rest of the programme period will be lower than originally planned at the outset of the Programme.
- Defra is now working with RDAs to work through the implications of these budgets and finalise indicative allocations for the 2011/12 financial year.
- RDAs will need to review existing commitments and future potential spend on all areas of Programme delivery, including delivery of the Leader approach through Local Action Groups. Defra and RDAs will seek to minimise the impact on Programme beneficiaries and maintain delivery of the Programme where possible.

What is the impact of the abolition of the RDAs?

- Responsibility for delivery of Axis 1, 3 and 4 will transfer to Defra. Defra and the RDAs are working closely together to ensure a smooth transition to new delivery arrangements during 2011, and to consider any necessary changes in priorities for the rest of the programme, taking account of the Spending Review.
- During the transition period, the RDAs will continue to manage the business as normal, so far as possible. Where there are necessary changes affecting programme budgets or delivery arrangements they will keep programme beneficiaries informed.”

Yorkshire Forward continues to work with Defra to fully digest and manage the impact of the Comprehensive Spending Review on programme budgets and will continue to keep you informed of any developments as they occur.

Further to this, on **13th January 2011 Yorkshire Forward** has written the following update regarding the ongoing 2011-12 budget discussions for the RDPE:

“As a result of the Comprehensive Spending Review you will be aware that the total RDPE Programme budget will be lower than originally planned at the outset of the Programme. The national indicative allocation will now be around £3.7bn for the 2007-13 programme period, compared with the original planned budget of about £3.9bn.

Yorkshire Forward continues to work with Defra to assess the implications of the reduction in budget and to finalise indicative allocations for the 2011/12 financial year for our region. In order to achieve this we continue to review existing commitments and to examine future potential spend on all areas of Programme delivery, including delivery of the Leader approach through LAGs. In order to assist with this process all

LAGs/Accountable Bodies in the region have been asked by the LEADER programme manager to provide details of projects which are in the pipeline to be considered at forthcoming LAG meetings.

While further consideration is given to commitment levels and budget availability in the 2011-12 financial year, Defra have advised the RDAs should not approve any investment decision recommendations made by LAGS for the time being.

I appreciate this is not the news you wish to receive and will contact you again as soon as I am able to provide further clarity regarding this matter. We wish to continue to minimise the impact on applicants where possible and it may therefore be advisable for LAGS to advise prospective projects that decisions may be subject to some delay during the coming weeks. It is not my intention to prolong this uncertainty beyond the next few weeks.”

CWWW LEADER Decision Making Board meetings

Our CWWW DMB met on 26th January 2011 as planned and the following projects were approved subject to certain conditions:-

Ride Yorkshire aims to create a long-distance riding trail making it possible to traverse the CWWW area on horseback. The project will capitalise on eastern Yorkshire's cultural and landscape potential and will address supply aspects, for example through working with rural accommodation providers and riding centres, and demand aspects including promotional activities and creating market-orientated products. The overarching goals are to increase tourism to rural areas of the East Riding of Yorkshire, inject money into the rural economy and contribute to healthier lifestyles.

Open Door Project. The parishes of Snaith & Cowick. Gowdall, Pollington and Rawcliffe. are full of history and heritage, wild life, waterways and natural beauty. However it is often regarded as an area which is travelled through to get to somewhere else and not a place to stop and enjoy. The River Aire forms the northern boundary of the project area and the Aire and Calder Canal is situated in the southern section. The Trans Pennine Walking Trail and Trans Pennine Cycle Route pass through the project area. The project aims to: bring more visitors in to the area by increasing awareness of the natural beauty, wildlife, history and heritage within its borders; keep the visitors in the area and encourage them to re-visit by enabling them to achieve a memorable experience; enable residents of the area to learn more about their area, spend more leisure time in their area and take a greater pride in their area; and, bring benefits to the local traders with more potential customers and benefits to the local residents with a more pleasant place to live. Snaith and Cowick Together will lead and manage the project

that entails 14 walks, including 3 suitable for wheelchairs, along with 15 information boards at suitable places on the walks.

An application for a Yorkshire Wolds Walking Festival 2011 was not approved. The panel was very supportive of the project idea and would like to see a walking festival application resubmitted with more clarity about finances, match funding and a detailed project plan. However, the timescales for this year are deemed too tight so this may be a priority for next year.

The **CWWW Fast Track Grant Scheme** panel met in December for the first time and the following two projects were approved.

Humanby Market Cross – This project focuses on the conservation of the medieval market cross in the centre of historic Humanby. Managed by the parish council in association with a number of community groups, including the local history society, the project includes essential stonework conservation and the refurbishment of the decorative metalwork. A number of community events will also be taking place, including a conservation open day where visitors will be able to discuss the conservation work with the craftsmen.

Filey Flying Heritage – Highlighting the fascinating history of aviation at Filey this project includes the installation of a sculpture by a local artisan representing one of the early planes flown at Filey, an information board, a programme of talks and a public unveiling event. The project is managed by the Filey Bay Initiative and the town council.

However, these 2 projects, along with those approved by the DMB on 26th January, have fallen into this period where no funding can be formally approved. As I am sure you can appreciate, this news will be very disappointing to these groups and the groups that are in the process of submitting an application. We will continue with our planned decision making meetings throughout February and March, as agreed with Yorkshire Forward, and hope that the new systems will be in place shortly.

Consultation on the draft East Riding Local Economic Assessment

Last year a new statutory duty came into force requiring local authorities and their partners to produce a Local Economic Assessment (LEA) in order to assess the shape, scale and functioning of the local economic conditions. The assessment has also been developed to form a comprehensive evidence base for the next iteration of the East Riding Economic Development Strategy, due in 2012, in addition to informing the Sustainable Community Plan and other strategies. The consultation period for the LEA has now started and you can access the draft assessment by going to <http://www.eastriding.gov.uk/consult> and then clicking on 'East Riding Local Economic Assessment consultation' under 'Latest Consultations' on the right hand side of the page. Alternatively, if you go to

<http://www.eastriding.gov.uk/consult/search.aspx?pTp=r&pAR=APP277&pSR=SPEC350>

this will take you directly to the relevant section. On this page, you can download a copy of the draft assessment and access an online questionnaire, seeking your views on its content. Please feel free to pass this information on to anyone within your organisation or partnership who you think would be interested in commenting. **The consultation period will last for 4 weeks with a closing date for receipt of all comments of**

Friday 11th February 2011. The final version of this first iteration of the LEA will be published by 31 March 2011, with the intention that it will be updated on an annual basis. If you have any queries, please contact either Andrew Hewitt, Strategy and Performance Coordinator (Andrew.hewitt@eastriding.gov.uk, 01482 391619) or Suzanne Tose, Regeneration and Service Development Manager (suzanne.tose@eastriding.gov.uk, 01482 391619) who have coordinated the compilation of the LEA.

Welcome to Yorkshire is delighted to offer a new pride of place/customer service training course '**Yorkshire Pride**' to help you give your visitors an amazing experience and encourage repeat visits. This five hour interactive course is being held throughout Yorkshire and will explore a range of subjects including:

- The role you play in ensuring that visitors to Yorkshire have an awesome experience and leave the county with a desire to return and encourage their friends and family to visit.
- The strength and variety of Yorkshire's tourism products.
- How we can all share best practice and learn new ideas in giving a 5 star service to our visitors.
- How you can make a difference to your business/organisation.
- How to delight your visitors.

Yorkshire Pride will be held throughout Yorkshire on the following dates:

- Thursday 10th February at Knaresborough, North Yorkshire
- Tuesday 15th February at Skipton, North Yorkshire
- Thursday 17th February at Filey, North Yorkshire
- Wednesday 2nd March, Leeds
- Wednesday 9th March, York
- Thursday 10th March, York
- Tuesday 22nd March, Sheffield
- Monday 28th March, Hull
- Tuesday 29th March, Barnsley

The cost to attend the Yorkshire Pride course per delegate, including lunch, is £40 + VAT (discounted rate for Welcome to Yorkshire members) - non-member rate £80 + VAT. The course will start at 10:30 am and finish at 3:30 pm. Upon completion of the course, each delegate will leave with a completed Yorkshire Pride workbook, Certificate of Attendance and a Yorkshire Pride 'Y' badge to wear.

To find out more about the course and/or to book a place at any of the dates above, please email Kim Broderick at: kbroderick@yorkshire.com

You are invited to **Environment day, 19th March 2011, 10am - 4pm at Northdale Horticulture Centre, Northallerton.**

Come and be part of a new wonderful showcase of all the environmental opportunities within North Yorkshire. This is an ideal chance for organisations to promote, recruit and demonstrate their work. Your organisation and your volunteers will be able to network with other volunteers and organisations, create relationships, generate mutually beneficial links and hopefully have some fun too! They are welcoming anyone from waste minimisation and gardening groups to wildlife and forestry organisations, and anything in between!

They are offering a free 6' x 4' stall space inside their exhibition halls with a table and two

chairs per organisation; bigger space is available if required. There are indoor and outdoor demonstration areas available for organisations that can provide interactive activities/demos. A marquee will be provided outside for stalls and demos due to the British weather's unpredictable nature! They are also offering a 15 - 20 minute slot in their presentation area for the delivery of a talk and Q&A session on the work of your organisation.

A delicious BBQ will be fired up offering some hot char grilled delights but feel free to bring your own food to cook if you want a free lunch! Other catering facilities including a cake stand and a drinks kitchen will be available at the centre on the day too. The event is a joint project between Northdale Horticulture and the North Yorkshire Rotters, who are resident at Northdale and have a compost display area and equipment base there. If your organisation would like to book a free stall please phone or email Simon at Northdale: 01609 770269, northdalehort@aol.com before the 19th of February 2011. For more information about the day please phone Rebecca, Volunteer Coordinator for the North Yorkshire Rotters on; 01609 797212, or alternatively email; Rebecca.wilson@northyorks.gov.uk.

NRN - Rural Broadband - 15th March 2011 - Centre for Life

Please find attached the programme and a booking form for this highly topical seminar on rural broadband. The intention is to bring participants right up to date with recent policy and technical developments and to showcase examples of local initiatives in rural areas across the north. The seminar is expected to attract a large audience and in due course numbers may have to be limited. It is therefore advisable to secure your place by making an early booking. You are also invited to pass the details onto any colleagues who may wish to attend. If you have any queries please get in touch with NRN - the telephone contact is 0191 2226623.

Supporting the Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS) in the East Riding - Joint Elected Member & VCS Organisations Events

The Voluntary Sector Steering Group (VSSG), a sub-group of the East Riding Local Strategic Partnership (LSP), are holding 3 events throughout the East Riding (in Beverley, Bridlington and Goole) to engage with Elected Members and VCS Organisations. These events will offer you the opportunity to:

- learn about the Humber Innovation Partnership (HIP) VCS Project that has been running throughout the last year
- learn about the new East Riding LSP VCS Strategy 2010 - 2015
- be involved in a workshop to look at local, low-level actions that will contribute towards meeting some of the aims and outcomes of the strategy
- be involved in workshops to investigate the support available to VCS organisations in the East Riding, identify gaps and how that support could be provided in the future

All VCS organisations are encouraged to attend one of these events and have a say in the way VSSG develop and support the VCS in the East Riding over the next few years. Please feel free to forward this email on to any and all contacts you have in the VCS who you feel may be interested in attending.

If you would like to attend this event, please complete the attached form (either electronically or on paper) and return to the contact details on the form **by no later than 3 working prior to the event you would like to attend** . Spaces on these events are limited and will be filled on a strictly first-come-first-served basis, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Please sign up for **LEADER E NEWS** if you have not already done so as this is an important source of information at this time. rdpenetwork@defra.gsi.gov.uk is the new email address. LEADER E NEWS 24 also contains information about the next LINC (LEADER International Networking Conference) event in Germany, 27th – 29th April 2011. A team of three is required in order to participate in the highly competitive sporting events so I have asked all six Yorkshire LAGs if a team could be sent to represent Yorkshire. Please look at the conference information via the RDPE Network site and email our LEADER address if you are interested in attending.

Please note the date for the next CWWW LEADER **Wider LAG meeting and AGM is 11th May 2011**. The venue is hoped to be at Scampston Hall, North Yorkshire. Please put this date in your diaries and further information will be sent to you nearer the time.

Email; Leader@eastriding.gov.uk or contact
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Northern Rural Network Seminar

**Rural Broadband, 15 March 2011,
Centre for Life, Conferencing and Banqueting, Newcastle upon Tyne**

Programme

09.45 Welcome and Introductions

Session 1 – Infrastructure

10.00 UK Government Policy (including four pilot areas)
Robert Ling, BDUK

10.30 a) Broadband & the Rural Economy - A Strategic Initiative in Cornwall
Speaker tbc
b) Rolling out the Fibre Network and prospects for businesses and communities in the rural north
Bill Murphy, BT

11.15 Coffee

11.45 Newcastle University research findings on local broadband
Hilary Talbot and Randal Richardson, CRE / CURDS

12.15 Case Studies
Digital Dale, Teesdale, *Neil Metcalfe*
Great Asby, Cumbria, *Miles Mandelson*
North Yorkshire NET, *Andy Lister*
Northumberland Rural Community Broadband, *Stuart Evans*

13.00 Lunch

Session 2 – Innovative Use of the Infrastructure

14.00 Broadband and rural service delivery
James Saunby, Grey Sky Consulting

14.30 Case Studies:
Two Dales Live *Graham Wilkinson, Hudson House*
Library services, *Ben Lee, Shared Intelligence*
A Rural Business *Rob Hindle, Rural Innovation*

15.30 Summary and closing debate:
Daniel Heery (Cybermoor) & John Farrington, Aberdeen University

16.15. End

Tuesday 15th March 2011

Centre for Life, Newcastle upon Tyne

This event is free of charge

(However, please note that cancellations need to be made by Wednesday, 9th March 2011 or your organisation will be invoiced for £40.00. Any delegates who do not turn up on the day will also be invoiced for £40.00).

BOOKING FORM

Name/s

Organisation

Address:
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Post Code Telephone

Email

Special Dietary Requirements

Please send your booking to:

**Nikki Parker
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School of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
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By no later than Wednesday, 9th March 2011

East Riding Elected Member & VCS Events
“Supporting the Voluntary & Community Sector in the East Riding”

The Voluntary Sector Steering Group (VSSG), a subgroup of the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP), are holding three events bringing together representatives from the voluntary & community sector in the East Riding and the area’s Elected Members, to learn about and support the development of the VCS in the East Riding.

These events will focus on the following 3 areas:

- **Humber Innovation Partnership (HIP) VCS Project**
Providing a feedback on the activities and results of this project, which has been running for almost a year now, throughout the East Riding, Hull, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire.

- **East Riding VCS Strategy 2010-2015**
Providing a look at the new strategy, which has been developed through the Voluntary Sector Steering Group, with extensive consultation, and also undertaking a workshop looking at action planning to deliver on the strategy’s aim and outcomes.

- **Supporting the VCS**
Looking at the way that the VCS in the East Riding is or is not supported, and undertaking a workshop to look at the support needs of the VCS and where this support is best provided from.

In order to allow for as wide an attendance as possible, we are holding this event three times in different parts of the East Riding, as follows:

- Monday 14 February 2010, 1.30pm – 5pm, at County Hall, Beverley
- Wednesday 16 February 2010, 9am – 1pm, at the Courtyard, Goole
- Tuesday 15 March 2010, 1pm – 5pm, at the Bridlington Resource Centre

Refreshments and a lunch will be provided at each event.

We would recommend that all Members and VCS organisations attend one of these events. More than one event may be attended where appropriate and space permitting.

Please either complete the attached form and return to the contact below, or reply to this email with details of your intention to attend, as soon as possible as we expect that places will be filled in short order.

Name of Organisation

Attendee Information

Name

Preferred Event

Contacts

Please detail any special access or dietary requirements for the attendees,

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Please return this form to:

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