



Tuesday 9th January 2007

Item 4

Update on Research Audit

At the previous meeting of YNYDIP in October, there had been no completed proformas yet returned. This paper outlines the progress made to date.

As a result of feedback from the October meeting and various email and telephone responses, the proforma was re-addressed and amended slightly so it was less complicated. Previously, the aim of the proforma had been to collect data to serve 2 purposes;

1. **Research Audit** – to find out what sub regional research has been proposed, what research is currently been undertaken, what completed research there is and where gaps may exist.
2. **Yorkshire Futures What Works database** – to collect sub regional good practice case studies and research projects which could be filtered into the online database

The proforma has been amended so that it now only concentrates on the Research Audit. The question of how to address the What Works database will be discussed separately.

The proforma was resent to members of YNYDIP and also circulated to the wider Data and Intelligence online network.

Update

25 proformas have now been completed and returned by various partners including Yorkshire Tourist Board, Richmondshire District Council, Harrogate International Centre, Yorkshire Dales and North York

Moors National Parks, York and North Yorkshire Partnership Unit, YPHO and City of York Council – many thanks to these partners!

This is still a relatively small number of partners and organisations who have provided information, however when combined with the gaps identified in the SEA process these proformas begin to go some way in identifying where there are additional gaps in research.

Gaps which have been identified so far include;

- Access to services in National Parks
- Community Vibrancy in National Parks
- Household Income in National Parks
- % of households with PC/Internet access in National Parks
- Career and location choices of graduates
- Skills of Migrant Workers
- Migrant Workers generally
- Occupational structure of the sub region
- Qualifications of the work force (more up to date data needed)
- Social Enterprise/Voluntary sector

Item 5b

Rural Priorities

The York and North Yorkshire Rural Evidence Base is currently being produced and partners were invited to attend a consultation seminar in November 2006. The half day event focussed on 3 key priority area workshops; Rural Business Development, Rural Transport and Access to Services.

Delegates in each group were asked to brainstorm, discuss and prioritise issues which affected Rural York and North Yorkshire. These were based on knowledge, expertise and opinion rather than actual evidence provided in the report.

Emerging Priorities

Each of the three groups was asked to identify and present 5 key priorities emerging from their discussions back to the main group.

The **Rural Business Development** workshop identified;

- ◆ Enterprise Culture
- ◆ Skills
- ◆ Uplands
- ◆ Competitiveness and developing knowledge based industries
- ◆ Finding new outlets for commodity products

Access to Services group identified;

- ◆ Appropriate access to learning and training
- ◆ Communications infrastructure
- ◆ Health and support services delivered in rural areas
- ◆ Access to affordable housing
- ◆ Access to Employment for all
- ◆ (And an additional one) Support for Transport Strategies

And the **Rural Transport group** identified;

- ◆ Integration of different modes and providers
- ◆ Better information and marketing
- ◆ Accessibility for individuals to key services
- ◆ Improve safety and perception of safety across transport modes
- ◆ Affordability of transport for low income groups

Prioritising priorities

Each delegate was then given 5 votes to identify to identify what were considered by delegates as the top three of all of the 15 priorities. These were;

1. Integration of different modes of transport and providers
2. Health and support services delivered in rural areas
3. Affordability of transport for low income groups

The results and input from the workshops will be used to inform the York and North Yorkshire Rural Evidence Base process.

Item 6

February Research Seminar

At previous meetings it was decided that in order to raise the profile of YNYDIP it was important to produce a work plan for regular Meetings and Seminars for 2007. Dates were previously agreed.

The next scheduled date for a Research Seminar is Thursday 15th February 2007.

Suggestions for Seminar topic

In 2006 YNYDIP held 2 large seminars – the launch of PIYNY 2006 and the recent consultation event for the York and North Yorkshire Rural Evidence Base. Both focused on participation from the delegates.

Therefore, it has been suggested that the February seminar may be a smaller and more informal information giving event.

Suggestions for topic include;

Launch of York and North Yorkshire Rural Evidence Base
Migrant Workers
Graduates in York and North Yorkshire
Social Inclusion

YNYDIP is asked for suggestions for seminar topics

Item 8

YNYDIP Newsletter

Regular newsletters are sent out to the Data and Intelligence online network, informing them of any news or developments relating to data and research in the sub region. An edition is due to be distributed in January 2007.

YNYDIP members are asked for any contributions which they would like to include.

An example of a previous newsletter is attached. The below headings would not necessarily be used in the newsletter but indicate main areas of interest.

- News or recent developments
- Publications/reports – mainly sub-regional but also relevant regional
- Meetings – important/relevant outcomes
- Future seminars or outcomes of recent seminars
- People- new appointments
- Research – planned, completed – outcomes/results

York and North Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Network

Summary

Please find below an update of recent activity of the York and North Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Network.

- Update - Changes to Name
- November Consultation Seminar
- Mapping Group Meeting
- Progress in York and North Yorkshire Summary Fact Sheets
- Presentations available to download from Launch Seminar for Progress in York and North Yorkshire

Update - Changes to Name

At the last Research Forum Meeting in August, the group agreed to change its name to *York and North Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Partnership (YNYDIP)* as it was agreed that this provided a more accurate description of the role and purpose of the group. This has been reflected on the website, and in keeping with the new name the *Research Network* has also been updated to the *Data and Intelligence Network*.

November Consultation Seminar for York and North Yorkshire Rural Evidence Base

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There is a vast array of information and data available about rural areas, much of which is included within the GOYH *Rural Evidence Base* and the supporting evidence to the *Yorkshire and Humber Rural Framework* and the SEA.

However, there is a **need for more robust and in depth analysis of North Yorkshire's rural areas** in order to establish a model of measuring progress and prioritising activity.

A Rural Evidence base on York and North Yorkshire is being produced and partners are invited to this seminar as part of the consultation and to contribute to establishing the main analysis and priorities affecting rural North Yorkshire.

This half day event will take place at

12.30 pm on Thursday 9th November 2006
Venue to be confirmed
Details on Booking to follow

Mapping Group Meeting

The Data and Intelligence Partnership will be holding a Mapping Group meeting on **Wednesday 3rd October** at **10 am**. The meeting will be held at Connexions York and North Yorkshire. I have attached details below.

The Mapping Group was established as a small group who would meet quarterly to discuss mapping systems and to enable the sharing of information and data between partners with an interest in GIS information and mapping data.

The above meeting of the Mapping Group will be based around **Rural Mapping**, with the aim to assist in the collection of data to contribute to the Sub Regional Rural Evidence Base. If you have an interest in Rural Mapping and have data which may be used in the Evidence Base, please join the group on 3rd October to share the information. If you feel any of your colleagues may be interested in this meeting, please feel free to pass this information on.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could let me know if you will be attending by **Friday 22nd September** so that I can order refreshments.

Progress in York and North Yorkshire Summary Fact Sheets

A series of Fact Sheets have been produced with the aim to support *Progress in York and North Yorkshire 2006* and make the information contained in the chapters of the main document more digestible. The Fact Sheets provide a summary of the key data and information found in each of the main chapters of the report. The Fact Sheets can be accessed through the following link <http://www.ynypu.org.uk/Research/PIYNY.stm>

Launch Seminar for Progress in York and North Yorkshire

A seminar took place recently at St William's College in York on 16th August 2006 to launch the third edition of *Progress in York and North Yorkshire*.

The report has formerly been produced annually by the York and North Yorkshire Partnership Unit on behalf of the York and North Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Partnership.

The aim of the launch was to give attendees an opportunity to delve into the contents of *Progress in York and North Yorkshire* in more detail, through a series of presentations.

For those who were unable to attend the seminar, a series of PowerPoint presentations are now available to download online at <http://www.ynypu.org.uk/Research/Seminars.stm>