

# York and North Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Partnership:

**Newsletter - March 2010**



## 1. Partnership Update

The Partnership Unit has now undergone the recruitment process to fill the vacant Research Analyst post. Jessica Young will start at the Unit on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010. Jessica has recently graduated with an MA in History from the University of York.

## 2. Progress in York and North Yorkshire

Progress in York and North Yorkshire was published on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2010. This report provides a light touch update of Progress in York and North Yorkshire produced in March 2009 and focuses on the performance of the sub region measured against a series of key indicators. This year data is available to measure 2 headline and 22 high level indicators. Generally speaking progress against these indicators continues to be positive, although the effects of the economic downturn are not yet apparent in much of the data. The report is available to download from the Partnership Unit [website](#).

This report is one of a suite of 'Progress' reports available across the region. An overall 'Progress' is produced for the Yorkshire and Humber region, one for the functional sub region of York and North Yorkshire and one for each of the city regions of Leeds, Sheffield, and Hull and Humber Ports, all of which can be downloaded from the Yorkshire Futures [website](#).

Much of the data included in the Progress reports is available to download through the Progress in the Region Live function via the Yorkshire Futures website. Progress in the Region Live is an interactive mapping tool that allows the user to compare how the region, sub / city regions and local authorities are performing against a series of indicators. For further information, see [www.yorkshirefutures.com/resources/progress-region-live](http://www.yorkshirefutures.com/resources/progress-region-live)

## 3. Progress in the Region Launch

The launch event for Progress in the Region will now take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July at the Royal York Hotel in York, details of which will be circulated nearer to the date.

## 4. Integrated Regional Strategy/Economic Assessments

Work on an initial Economic Assessment for York and North Yorkshire is ongoing. As set out in a scoping paper produced in September of 2009, there are various components to the work which include; 35 Labour Market Area profiles; spatial area profiles and a technical assessment. For further information and the latest interim assessment please use the following [link](#).

## 5. The Economic Impact of Military Presence in North Yorkshire

Commissioned by Yorkshire Forward, SQW Ltd have recently completed a study assessing the impact of the military presence in North Yorkshire. The study explores:

- the scale, nature, geography and impact of military activity in North Yorkshire;
- the indirect impacts of military activity, including the integration and impact on local communities and their regeneration, and housing markets in particular;
- the impact of military presence on local labour markets, particularly looking at the integration of military leavers;
- the potential economic impacts of expansion at Catterick over the next 20 years.

The full report is available to download using this [link](#).

## 6. Affordability Profiles

Yorkshire Forward have worked with Acxiom to develop their new product - "Affordability" - into a tool that allows us to analyse household economic status across the region. This includes data on income; spend on essentials and indulgences, levels of debt, pensioner income and standard of living to name but a few. One example project recently has been able to use this data to develop a proxy for fuel poverty figures. The affordability profiles are available to download the Yorkshire Forward [website](#).

## 7. Release of ONS Local Profiles

The local profiles aim to help Local Authorities use official statistics to better understand the economic, social and environmental picture for their area, and the first set of profiles have been developed using data that will be of use to analysts, economists and policy makers involved in preparing Local Economic Assessments (LEAs). The profiles contain many of the foundation variables suggested in the guidance generated by Communities and Local Government (CLG) and Improvement and Development Agency (IDeA) for local government. For further information use the following [link](#).

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