





4Community Growth York

Welcome

Welcome to the first 4**Community**Growth**York** newsletter. Over the past few weeks as I have been out and about talking to people about the project there have been a number of recurring questions:

Frequently asked questions

Q What is Community Led Local Development

A Community Led Local Development (CLLD) is a European funding programme all about bringing together local communities to understand the challenges and experiences that can make it difficult for people to find employment, or start and run a business of their own

Q What is 4CommunityGrowthYork

A This is the name for our project in York which covers areas in Tang Hall, Bell Farm, Navigation and Walmgate, Clifton and Westfield and an area around Haxby Road Primary Academy and Children's Centre

Q What is the timescale for the project?

A The project is in 2 stages. We are currently in stage 1 which is all about working with residents to create a Local Development Strategy and stage 2 bid. See opposite for a table showing the timescale for Stage 1. If our CLLD Local Development Strategy is approved and Stage 2 application

Local Action Group Meetings

Thank you to everyone who has expressed an interest in being a member of the Local Action Group. In order to keep momentum up I have arranged a couple of themed meetings over the next couple of weeks and you are warmly invited to come along:

Governance & Format

Monday 16th May 6 – 8pm West Offices

This meeting will look at the structure of the Local Action Group, how decisions will be made and how meetings will be run including dates, times and frequency. If you are unable to attend this meeting please let me know your availabilities and these will be taken into consideration. successful then the delivery of the main project will be for 5 years from April 2016.

Q What is a Local Action Group?

A A key element of this funding programme as the title suggests is the bringing together of a Local Action Group made up of a majority of community and business representatives. This group will be responsible for overseeing the creation of the Local Development Strategy and all of the decision making to do with the project.

Q So what is the role of City Of York Council?

A If we are successful with the next stage of the process City of York Council will act as the accountable body and therefore look after the financial and administrative elements of the project going forward. CYC is also one of the partners offering match funding. Another key role will be to advise the Local Action Group as to the eligibility of activities.

Q Who else is providing match funding?

A Tang Hall Big Local Partnership have agreed to match fund where proposed activities meet joint objectives. It is also recognised that as activities roll out in the project area that further opportunities for match funding will be identified.

Q How can I get involved?

A The project is in a very early stage there are several ways that you can get involved

You can:

apply to be on the Local Action Group by completing the expression of

Local Development Strategy

Thursday 26th May 6 – 8pm West Offices

This meeting will have a look at the recently published guidance in order to understand what is required when developing the strategy. What information do we already have and what are the gaps?

Local Action Group

Wednesday 8th June 6 – 8pm West Offices

I have tentatively booked a pattern of meetings as the second Wednesday of each month 6 – 8pm from the 8th June. This pattern may change if LAG members decide on a different date and time which suits the majority better.

Please confirm attendance by phone 01904 551834 or email : <u>mora.scaife@york.gov.uk</u>

Engagement Event

interest form at https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/4comgrowYork

- request an information session in your area either joining in with an existing event or meeting or we can set something up
- spread the word in your community with residents, community organisations and businesses
- request and display leaflets and posters

Stage 1 Timetable

CLLD – 4Comunity Growth York Timescale	
31 st August 2016	Submission of the Local Development Strategy
October 2016	Consideration of the Local Development Strategy
October/November 2016	Approval of Local development Strategy and invitation to submit Stage 2 bid

Saturday 14th May

Hull Road Park Community & Family Event from 2pm – I'll be at the event to talk to residents about opportunities to get involved in the project and what they think the project could achieve in their area.

Coming Soon

- Training opportunities for Local Action Group members
- Network and information sessions

Community Engagement

So far we have:

- Spoken to **181** people through hosting information sessions and attending meetings.
- Developed and managed the electronic expression of interest form
- Written articles for newsletters and a press release.
- Developed a page on the City of York

February 2017	Stage 2 bid submission
March/April 2017	Stage 2 Approval and delivery begins

Council Website.

• Created an e-news format

Don't forget:

- To let me have your preferences for days and times in order to set a regular pattern of meeting dates. (contact details at end of email)
- To promote the project in your area or invite me to events and meetings to spread the word about the project.
- To pass on this newsletter to anyone who you think may be interested in getting involved.
- To let me know what you would like to see included in this newsletter
- To let me know of any good ways in sharing information in your community. Newsletters, notice boards, face book, twitter etc