The Communities Innovating Yorkshire Fund
Signposting Pack for Applicants

Thank you to all those who were interested in the Communities Innovating Yorkshire Fund, and to those who took the time to apply. We received an overwhelming number of applications which equated to far more than our £800k funding amount. The CIY Fund has a specific focus on research and sharing learning for policy impact and recognise that applications that may not have met this criteria still presented valuable ideas to engage and support local communities in work aligned with the 5 CIY Themes: collecting and utilising community data, good work and better business, culture and creative industry, climate-ready places, and communities in their places.

We hope this resource pack will help signpost to connections, awareness and context that will support project proposals ideas to progress outside of the CIY Fund.

Yorkshire and Humber Academic Policy Engagement Networks:

Here is an interactive tool which details the 8 networks and their thematic areas of interest.

Yorkshire Universities

- Fostering strategic collaboration across the 12 universities
- Their key thematic interests:
    - Policy engagement
    - Graduate talent
    - Local and regional development
    - Climate
    - Health
- https://yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk/

Yorkshire & Humber Council Policy Forum

- Convening policy officers across the 18 authorities on share priorities
- Their key thematic interests:
    - Policy application
    - Visitor economy
    - Energy and low carbon
    - Social Care
    - Migration/Asylum
- https://www.yhcouncils.org.uk/members/ / yhcouncils@barnsley.gov.uk

Yorkshire & Humber Policy Engagement and Research Network (YPERN)

- Providing research, expertise and network support for policy and university collaborations

- Their key thematic interests:
  - Inclusive growth
  - Devolution
  - Training and capacity for academic policy engagement
- https://y-pern.org.uk/priority-areas/

Yorkshire Policy Collaboration

- Fostering collaboration at local, regional, and national levels, creating innovative solutions to address societal challenges and support evidence-based policymaking.
- Their key thematic areas:
  - Working with the Universities of Huddersfield, Leeds, Sheffield and York to build capacity for social science and policy collaborations
- https://y-pern.org.uk/about-ypc/

Health Determinants Research Collaborations (HDRCs) boost research capacity and capability within local government. They aim to embed a culture of always using evidence when making decisions. HDRCs use research findings to understand how decisions impact on health and health inequalities. They also carry out research where evidence isn't already available.

- Health Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC) North Yorkshire Council hdrc@northyorks.gov.uk. HDRC NY is an exciting collaboration between North Yorkshire Council, University of Hull and University of York (Centre of Health Economics) £5million over 5 years (2024-2028) from the Public Health Research Programme, National Institute of Health & Care Research. We are one of 30 HDRCs across the UK. The purpose of HDRCs is to support councils to become more research active: using and generating research to improve population health and reduce inequalities.
  Our research priority areas include:
  - Equitable access and outcomes in preventative services
  - Improved health and wellbeing of coastal and rural communities
  - Good work: securing better outcomes for workers and business
  - Good quality, affordable and sustainable housing
  - Climate change and health
    With a focus on under-researched groups including:
  - Military families and veterans
  - Women's health and wellbeing
  - Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities.
    The HDRC North Yorkshire welcomes research ideas from community organisations that align with these priority areas. We can support linking organisations with key policy teams to build and strengthen collaborations and support on going and future pieces of research activity.

- Heath Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC) Wakefield Council will have three work streams:

- Core Capacity workstream will create a research development and governance function in the Council, supporting all aspects of the research process from initial ideas to design, governance and ethics, to application for external funding bids. We will also have a training and skills development offer for staff working at all levels of the Council and local VCSE organisations.
- Knowledge Translation and Behaviour Change workstream will work with teams and services across the Council to turn the evidence we generate into effective decisions, actions and policies. A key focus of this workstream will be a project with elected members, exploring ways to integrate research evidence into their decision making and scrutiny processes more effectively.
- Community Insight workstream will build a sustainable model for co-producing all aspects of research with local communities, supporting local people to become participants in research, and leaders and champions of it.
- hdrc@wakefield.gov.uk

- [Bradford Health Determinants Research Collaboration](#) will deliver five functions:
  - Reviews of research evidence
  - Data and information management and supporting decisions
  - Building capacity to use, choose and do research
  - Management and monitoring of research
  - Co-production with communities and local stakeholders.
  - [Sign up to the HDRC Bradford newsletter](#)
  - HDRC@Bradford.gov.uk

- [Health Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC) Doncaster](#)
  Workstream 1 - Knowledge mobilisation:
  - Develop skills in our people and our organisation to bring together research evidence combined with what we know locally
  - Identify how best to deliver this information so that it can be embedded within decision making.

  Workstream 2 – capability, capacity and motivation building:
  - Develop skills in our people and the processes necessary to do research to help us understand the factors that influence our health and wellbeing
  - Embed Public Involvement and Community Engagement approaches in our work.
  - HDRCDoncaster@Doncaster.gov.uk

Voluntary, Community, Faith, Social Enterprise (VCFSE) infrastructure support:

York & North Yorkshire

- [York CVS](#)
- [Up for Yorkshire](#)
- [Community First Yorkshire](#)
- [Two Ridings Community Foundation](#)

Hull & East Riding

- Hull CVS
- Smile Foundation
- Forum CIO
- Community Vision East Riding
- Two Ridings Community Foundation

South Yorkshire

- Voluntary Action Sheffield
- #SheffVCS Communications and Marketing Network is bi-monthly meeting of professionals from organisations across Sheffield for shared learning, training and networking – Fran@darnallwellbeing.org.uk
- Barnsley CVS – info@barnsleycvs.org.uk
- Voluntary Action Rotherham
- Voluntary Action Doncaster
- The Charity Hub
- South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau (SYFAB)
- South Yorkshire's Community Foundation

West Yorkshire

- TSL Kirklees
- One Community – the Kirklees Community Foundation
- Nova Wakefield District
- Community Foundation Wakefield District
- Voluntary Action Calderdale
- Calderdale VSI Alliance
- Community Action Bradford and District
- Voluntary Action Leeds
- Leeds Community Foundation

Grant Finders:

- Grants Online
- My Funding Central
- Funds Online
- FCS Associates
- Paul Hamlyn Foundation
- UK Research and Innovation Funding finder
- Get Grants
- York & North Yorkshire Combined Authority funding
- West Yorkshire Combined Authority Funding Opportunities
- South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Funding Opportunities

Data:

Networks/Initiatives/Services

- Yorkshire & Humber Office for Data Analytics
- Public Engagement in Data Research Initiative (PEDRI)
- ADR UK (Administrative Data Research UK)
- Government Analysis Function
- The Yorkshire and Humber Secure Data Environment (Y&H SDE)

York & North Yorkshire

- York and North Yorkshire Data and intelligence hub

Hull & East Riding

- Hull Data Observatory

South Yorkshire

- Sheffield Methods Institute
- South Yorkshire Data & Intelligence Hub
- South Yorkshire Office for Data Analytics

West Yorkshire

- West Yorkshire Data and Intelligence Hub

Policy updates/context

- UK Government: AI 2030 Scenarios – Helping policy makers plan for the future of AI
- Local Digital – Local Digital is a team within the UK Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) that provides digital and cyber support to local government.
- UK Government: Key findings, Statistical Digest of Rural England

Good Work and Better Business:

Networks/Initiatives/Services

- Living4Moments
- Path Yorkshire
- Yorkshire and Humber Inclusive Wellbeing Economies Peer Support Sub-group - facilitated by the Yorkshire and Humber Association of Directors of Public Health (YH ADPH) advanced practitioner fellowship programme. This allows people working on inclusive wellbeing economies in the region to come together, network, share and collaborate. New members of the group are welcome. Inclusive wellbeing economies is defined as 'a more deliberate and socially purposeful economy – measured not just by

how fast or aggressive it grows; but also, by how well wealth is created and shared across the whole population and place, and by the social and environmental outcomes it realises for people.' – tom.mapplethorpeapf@kirklees.gov.uk

- [What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth](#)
- [West and North Yorkshire Chamber of Commerce](#)

York & North Yorkshire

- [York & North Yorkshire Growth Hub](#)

Hull & East Riding

- [HEY Growth Hub](#)
- [Hull and Humber Chamber of Commerce](#)

South Yorkshire

- [South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority 'Working Win'](#)
- [Sheffield Social Enterprise Network](#)
- [Opening Doors Sheffield](#)
- [Barnsley and Rotherham Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Doncaster Chamber](#)
- [Sheffield Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Sheffield Business Together](#)
- [South Yorkshire Women Inspired](#)

West Yorkshire

- [Leeds Inclusive Employer Network](#)
- [Inclusive Growth Leeds](#)
- [Business for Good West Yorkshire](#)
- [Local Access Bradford District](#)

Policy updates/context

- [Yorkshire Universities Inclusive Recruitment Guide for Employers](#) – Practical recommendations for delivering an inclusive approach to the recruitment of students and graduates
- [Opening Doors](#) – Business in the Community Campaign
- [House of Commons Business and Trade Select Committee:](#) Make Work Pay – Employment Rights Bill
- [Health Foundation:](#) Action for healthier working lives – Final report of the Commission for Healthier Working Lives
- [New Economics Foundation:](#) Whose Growth is it anyway?
- [UK Government:](#) Work aspirations and support needs of health and disability customers

- **Ipsos:** The public see responsibilities for individuals, employers and government in enabling more people with health conditions to stay in employment and return to work
- **Resolution Foundation:** Unstable Pay – New estimates of earnings volatility in the UK
- **Work Foundation:** Beyond the Office? How remote and hybrid working can help close the disability employment gap
- **Goldman Sachs UK:** The Growth Agenda – Unlocking the economic potential of UK small businesses (recommendations)
- **Fabian Society**: seizing the opportunity – the fair pay agreement in social care
- **Resolution Foundation:** Precarious Prospects – understanding precarious work among foreign born workers

Culture and Creative Industries:

Networks/Initiatives/Services

- Arts Council England Investment Principles Resource Hub
- Digital Culture Network
- Creative Communities
- Culture Health & Wellbeing Alliance
- Culture Placemaking
- Creative Health Boards

York & North Yorkshire

- York Creatives
- Creative Craven Network

Hull & East Riding

- We Are Creative
- Disability Arts Network
- Artlink Hull
- Beverley Cultural Network
- HEY Creative

South Yorkshire

- SYMCA Culture and Creative Industries Network
- Fusion – Barnsley Cultural Education Partnership
- Barnsley Civic artist support
- Doncaster darts
- Doncaster Cultural Education Partnership
- Doncaster Creative Network
- Rotherham Children's Capital of Culture
- Rotherham Creative Network

- [Rotherham Together Partnership](#) – Cultural Partnership Board
- [Create Sheffield](#)
- [Sheffield Culture Consortium](#)

<u>West Yorkshire</u>

- [Bradford 2025 City of Culture](#)
- [Bradford Cultural Voice Forum](#)
- [Bradford 2025 Creative Health](#) – creativehealth@bradford2025.co.uk
- [Leeds Creative Timebank](#)
- [Leeds Creative Labs](#)
- [Arts Together Creative Careers](#)
- [Calderdale Creates](#)
- [Culturedale](#)
- [EvoKe – Cultural and Educational Partnership Kirklees](#)
- [CDE Kirklees](#)
- [Creative Wakefield](#)
- [Wakefield Arts Partnership](#)

Policy updates/context

- [Child of the North/Centre for Young Lives:](#) An evidence-based approach to creating a culture of inclusive opportunity through arts and creativity
- [House of Commons Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee:](#) British film and high-end television (HETV)
- [Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Centre](#)
- [Innovate UK Create Growth Programme](#)
- [UK Parliament House of Lords Library – Creative industries: Growth, jobs and productivity](#)

Climate-ready Places:

Networks/Initiatives/Services

- [Yorkshire and Humber Climate Commission](#)
- [North and East Yorkshire Ecological Data Centre](#)
- [Stockholm Environment Institute](#)
- [Yorkshire Climate Action Coalition](#) – The Yorkshire Climate Action Coalition (YCAC) is a group of businesses in and around Yorkshire who collaborate to help one another become more sustainable and have a positive impact in the region and beyond.
- [Historic England – retrofit and energy efficiency in historic buildings](#)

<u>York & North Yorkshire</u>

- York Environment Forum
- YorEnergy York

Hull & East Riding

- Hull and East Riding Friends of the Earth

South Yorkshire

- South Yorkshire Climate Alliance
- South Yorkshire Sustainability Centre

West Yorkshire

- Leeds Climate Commission
- Climate Action Leeds
- Healthy Buildings Network Leeds

Policy updates/context

- Ipsos: Britain sees double digit drop in those who feel individual action on climate change is needed, as world passes 1.5°c temperature increase
- Resolution Foundation: Turning up the heat – Making the home heating transition work for low-income households
- Green Alliance: A better life – The green route to growth and security (key recommendations)
- Energy and Climate Intelligence Unit: The future is green: The economic opportunities brought by the UK's net zero economy
- House of Commons Environmental Audit Committee: The role of natural capital in the UK's green economy
- UK Government: Carbon footprint for the UK and England to 2022
- Green Alliance: UK energy security: the benefits of diversification
- ONS: The impact of higher energy costs on UK businesses: 2021 to 2024
- YouGov: would Britons support geoengineering to combat climate change?

Communities in their Places:

Networks/Initiatives/Services

- Poverty Truth Network
- Locality
- Yorkshire and Humber Public Health Network 'Healthy Communities'
- Involve UK
- Impact Hub Yorkshire

York & North Yorkshire

- [Stronger Communities Programme, North Yorkshire Council](#) – stronger.communities@northyorks.gov.uk
- [York City Council - Shaping Neighbourhoods](#)

Hull & East Riding

- [Hull City Council – Area Committees](#)
- [East Riding of Yorkshire Council – Neighbourhood Planning](#)
- [The Ideas Fund](#)
- [Hull Poverty Truth Commission](#)

South Yorkshire

- [Barnsley Council - Area Councils](#)
- [Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council - Your Neighbourhoods](#)
- [Well Doncaster – Voluntary and Community Faith Sector Forum](#)
- [Sheffield City Council – Local Area Committees](#)
- [Sheffield Poverty Truth Commission](#)

West Yorkshire

- [Kirklees Council Place Partnerships](#)
- [Kirklees Inclusive Communities Framework](#)
- [Leeds ACTS](#)
- [Third Sector Leeds](#)
- [Calderdale Council – Ward forums](#)
- [Wakefield Council – Area Working Team](#)
- [Leeds Poverty Truth Commission](#)
- [Leeds City Council – Communities committees](#)

Policy updates/context

- [New Local](#): Where People Meet: How to Celebrate, Sustain and Reimagine Community Centres
- [Poverty Truth Network](#) - 'Access to Services Principles'
- [Young Foundation:](#) Community, not catastrophe - what a whole society approach to preparedness really means
- [Reform Think Tank:](#) Local, Actually - establishing hyperlocal governance in England
- [Local Policy Innovation Partnership Hub](#) – Placecast
- [Institute For Government:](#) How the government can support better decision making in mayoral combined authorities (MCA's)
- [Reform Think Tank:](#) Designing a Neighbourhood Health Service