

Who can help with your project?

Assistance with developing your project is available. Your first point of call can be the Dales LEADER Co-ordinator who can give you details of organisations in your area who can give free funding advice, help with forming a group or developing a constitution. The Co-ordinator is also there to help if you are eligible for LEADER support, with advice on how you should present your project.

FAQ:
Who can apply for LEADER?
Community groups or organisations within the area that are properly constituted, have a bank account and have a project which meets an identified need, tackles an issue, or want to see something different happen in their area. Individuals and businesses cannot apply. Not-for-profit groups may be eligible to apply if the project is not their core business.

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to sustainable rural regeneration**

LEADER in 2010

Happy New Year to you all!
2009 was a very busy year for the LEADER Programme. We launched LEADER in June and have since allocated over £600,000 of funding to 16 community projects. 21 parishes successfully applied under our Parish Caretaker scheme for funding to employ their caretaker, starting this year. 2010 promises to be equally busy. If there is a local project you think LEADER should be

supporting, please do get in contact and tell me about it. If I can't help, I'm sure to know someone who can. All the best!
Rima Berry
Dales LEADER Co-ordinator

UPCOMING LEADER APPLICATION DEADLINES:

March 5th 2010
April 30th 2010

PARISH CARETAKERS ONLY:
October 1st 2010

Supported in partnership by:



Caring for the Parish Round 2

The last Call for Caring for the Parish projects has an application deadline of October 1st 2010.

All Parish Councils in the LEADER area will receive an application pack through the post in the Summer.

All applicants will be informed within 6 weeks of the deadline date whether they have been successful.

Help with applying is available; please just call the Dales Co-ordinator to arrange a visit or have a chat.

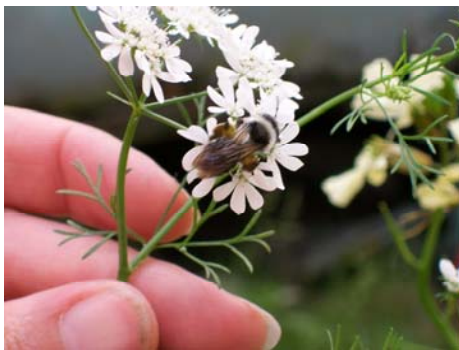
No further grant for this activity will be available after the deadline date. So please plan early if your Parish

is intending to apply for funding for a Parish Caretaker.

What can LEADER support?

- The contracting or employment of parish caretakers for a maximum of three years.
- Project costs between £2000 and £5000.

LEADER cannot fund work that is already happening or the cost of equipment. It can fund the development of an existing project where there is an added environmental or heritage aspect.



Caring for the Parish actions
Encouraging wildlife

LEADER WEBSITE

At long last our website is now "live". Please do take a look at www.yorkshiredalesleader.co.uk

There is lots of information about LEADER, how and who does what, as well as current LEADER projects. Any feedback is most welcome. If you have a LEADER project you would like featured, please contact the Dales Co-ordinator (details on back page)



Who's who

The LEADER Management Group make the decisions about which projects in our area are awarded funding are elected by the wider Local Action Group. Anyone can join the Local Action Group, whether you are a business, community individual or part of an organisation. We hold 2 events a year keeping the wider Local Action Group informed. One is our AGM – coming up in February. The other, around June, is the chance to report on LEADER progress, consult with the wider group on how we are doing and make sure that LEADER continues to be a community led grant. By joining the Local Action Group you can keep LEADER focussed on the issues that matter to the local communities.

What better reason to get involved?

Celebrating LEADER Projects

The AGM and Open Event of the Local Action Group is on February 25th, at North Stainley Village Hall, 1.00-4.30pm. This is an opportunity to find out what type of activity we fund, what we have funded to date and how you can get involved in the future development of the LEADER programme!
Please come along!

CARING FOR THE PARISH INFORMATION AND SUPPORT

From March 2010 there will be a new project starting offering support for parishes seeking to start their own caretaker scheme. It will offer resources such as sample contracts, advice on recruitment, as well as events aimed at helping everyone make the most of the funding that is available for parish works.