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The Yorkshire Dales  
**LEADER**  
PROGRAMME  
2008 - 2013

# Newsletter

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**FAQ: Has the LEADER programme finished now?** No, most definitely not. We are around until 2013 and all projects supported by us will be completed by December 2013. As the programme transfers back to Defra there has been a necessary halt in funding activity whilst budgets were agreed. We expect this situation to change in the autumn! (Watch our website or follow the LEADER Blog for updates)

**Featured Fund:** *North Yorkshire Rewards Fund*, for small voluntary or community groups is designed to help voluntary organisations, community groups and small charities based in and serving the communities of North Yorkshire for projects which help communities to meet priorities that are within the North Yorkshire sustainable community strategy. For more details and application forms please see <http://www.trcf.org.uk/grants/northyorkshirerewardfund/> or call 01759 377 400

Please post this Newsletter on your community notice-board, so your local groups can see it!

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**LEADER in the Dales**

The Yorkshire Dales LEADER Programme has been here for over two years and already some of our earlier projects are beginning to have real benefits for the communities around them; Burnsall Village Hall, Keld Heritage Centre, Washburn Community and Heritage Centre, to name but a few. We are going through a process of great change as the Programme transfers back to Defra and the LEADER team are

very grateful for the patience and understanding of our LEADER communities. Keep sending us your “good news” stories, they are always welcome!

Rima Berry  
Dales LEADER Co-ordinator

**LEADER UPDATE:**

Please do refer to our website for future developments or sign up for our monthly e-news burst. We are not seeking applications to the LEADER programme at present.

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## Local Food Mapping Study

This LEADER project is launching on July 28<sup>th</sup> at Growing with Grace, Clapham. Since January the consultants have been collecting information, mapping who is producing local food, how we are doing it, and assessing the options for the future. Two workshops were held in the LEADER area and a widespread call “for evidence”. In such a short time-frame, not every producer or community activity relating to food will have responded to the questionnaire, or been identified, however we will have a



Local Food Mapping workshop held at Hawes

good “flavour” to work with. To book a place at the launch of the Local Food Map Report, please call 015242 51002 by July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Todmorden, followed by interactive theatre and canal side project visits. Email [ruth.hair@pennineprospects.co.uk](mailto:ruth.hair@pennineprospects.co.uk) to register your interest and receive a detailed programme.

This fits in nicely with our own food map study and there will definitely be some people to meet with interesting canal and waterways projects! More about the South Pennine LEADER initiatives can be found on <http://www.pennineprospects.co.uk/>

## South Pennines Event on Waterways

South Pennines LEADER area are holding an event in Todmorden Town Hall, Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 onwards on canal connections and have extended the invitation to interested people in our area. The programme is as follows: “Our Waterways”, experiences from the South Pennines and Coast, Wolds, Wetlands and Waterways LEADER groups, Local food Lunch and news from Incredible Edible

## Dales Rural Networking Event

Our bi-annual event was a great success with over 80 delegates attending for a day of inspiring presentations and, of course, a fantastic lunch of locally-produced food from the National Trust kitchens at Fountains Abbey!

Our chairman, **Kevin Lancaster**, set the theme for the day, highlighting the success of the Dales LEADER programme and marking the launch of the next phase of the joint Way of the Roses public Art project. He was followed by presentations from the Co-ordinator of the Northumberland Upland LAG, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority recreation manager and two very specific but contrasting views of the Way of the Roses cycleway.

The closing part of the event was an entertaining presentation from the Chair of the Coast, Wolds, Wetlands and Waterways (CWWW) LAG, **Kath Wilkie**, detailing a snapshot of the highlights of their LEADER programme. This was followed by more detail from **Dee Mitchell**, the Programme Manager of the CWWW LAG, highlighting some of their experiences with LEADER, in particular the Waterways Partnership Project which won an award for partnership working in the prestigious Waterways Renaissance Awards in 2011. All presentations can be found on our blog. The Yorkshire Dales LAG would like to thank everyone for making the day a fantastic success, and we hope to see everyone again soon! Next event in November!

## LEADER online

You can keep up to date and in touch with LEADER activity online in many ways;

our website [www.yorkshiredalesleader.co.uk](http://www.yorkshiredalesleader.co.uk)

our Blog Site [www.yorkshiredalesleader.wordpress.com](http://www.yorkshiredalesleader.wordpress.com)

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