

LOCAL GOVERNMENT YORKSHIRE & HUMBER (LGYH) LEADERS' BOARD SCHEME

**Summary of responses to consultation and action taken
2 March 2010**

Respondent	Summary of comments made	Specific changes suggested	Action taken
Learning and Skills Council/Young People's Learning Agency	Supportive of the Leaders' Board Scheme and highlights the need to work with the Board on young people's learning issues.	None.	None required.
Wakefield Council	Supportive of the Scheme.	None.	None required.
Peak District National Park Authority	Supportive of the Scheme and, specifically, the proposed role of National Park Authorities within the new arrangements.	None.	None required.
North Lincolnshire Council	Supportive of the Scheme. Highlights the need to keep the Scheme under regular review to ensure appropriate and effective membership (as noted in paragraph 21 of the Scheme).	None.	None required.
West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	The Scheme is noted by the Authority, highlighting the need to amend all references within it to Fire & Rescue Authorities constituting "participating authorities" under new legislation.	The Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2010 does not recognise Fire and Rescue Authorities as statutory "participating authorities" with regard to Leaders' Board Schemes. In order to avoid any issues that might arise with the LGYH Leaders' Board Scheme being seen to be inconsistent with the relevant legislation, therefore, all references to Fire and Rescue Authorities constituting participating authorities should be removed.	Scheme amended at paragraphs 3 and 15.
Ryedale District Council	Supportive of the Scheme.	None.	None required.
Homes & Communities Agency	Supportive of the Scheme and keen to explore how the Agency can engage with the Board in an advisory capacity.	None.	None required.

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North Yorkshire County Council	Supportive of the Scheme. Recommends a minor amendment to clarify that the voting arrangements at the Joint Regional Board (JRB) with regard to the Yorkshire & Humber Strategy should, in effect, be one vote per organisation (i.e. per “responsible regional authority”), rather than one vote per member of the JRB.	Suggested amendment to clarify that the voting arrangement on the JRB, should be one vote per “responsible regional authority”, rather than one vote per Board Member.	Paragraph 17 amended to clarify one vote per “responsible regional authority” on the JRB. In practice, this equates to the previous wording (stating one vote per JRB member), given that each responsible authority would vote collectively across their respective membership on the JRB. Hence, whilst this amendment provides greater clarity, it is not seen to have any material impact on the Scheme itself.
Yorkshire Dales and North York Moors National Park Authorities	Supportive of the Scheme, given the National Park Authorities’ wider role in the North Yorkshire & York Functional Sub Region and as part of the Regional Spatial Planning Thematic Board.	None.	None required.
Environment Agency	Supportive of the Scheme. Recommends that the Scheme include a reference to how the Leaders’ Board will communicate its work to the wider public. Also highlights the need for the Leaders’ Board to work closely with the Independent Sustainability Board; and notes the opportunities for the Leaders’ Board to work with the Environment Agency on issues of sustainability and the natural environment.	Additional clause suggested to provide details of how Leaders’ Board discussions can be disseminated to the public and public sector organisations. Include a specific reference to the Independent Sustainability Board under the ‘Effective and Timely Decision Making’ section.	Additional paragraph added (16) to the Scheme, committing LGYH to produce a full communication strategy and delivery plan for the Leaders’ Board. Paragraph 21 amended to also refer specifically to the Independent Sustainability Board.
Yorkshire Forward	Supportive of the Scheme and the joint working arrangements with Yorkshire Forward.	None.	None required.
Department of Health, Regional Public Health Group Yorkshire & Humber	Supportive of the Scheme.	None.	None required.