

Richmondshire

Sustainable Community Strategy

Our Priorities for Richmondshire

2010 to 2015

Introduction

In this strategy we have identified our priorities for the next five years. These are the most important issues that the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) wants to focus on over the next five years in order to fulfil our vision for the district which is:

'Richmondshire will be a place where people want to live, work and visit; where people enjoy a high quality of life and environment, feel safe, healthy and prosperous and have the opportunity to reach their full potential'

Although there are a number of issues that are important in the district, we have taken the decision as an LSP to concentrate only on those issues which no partner, organisation or group is able to take forward independently, or where it makes sense to take a collective approach. In this way we can be sure that the LSP plays an important role in dealing with the issues outlined in this document.

It is important however, that we still have sight of the other issues that communities in Richmondshire have raised. The principle ones are detailed below along with the name of the agency that is taking them forward:

- Local access to quality public services – All LSP partners
- Affordable housing – Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority / Richmondshire District Council
- Facilities for young people – North Yorkshire County Council, Richmondshire District Council
- Community safety – The Richmondshire Community Safety Partnership
- Quality of the environment – Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority / Richmondshire District Council



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Our Priorities

Making Richmondshire a Healthy and Safe Place

- Reducing the impact that alcohol has on our communities
- Promoting a healthier work force
- Tackling obesity in our communities

Developing Richmondshire as an e-District

- Supporting broadband, digital and mobile access

Highlighting Richmondshire as a Place to do Business

- Promoting the district to attract more businesses

Enhancing Richmondshire through accessible and sustainable communities

- Engaging with community transport providers to enhance accessibility
- Encouraging sustainable and vibrant communities across the district
- Ensuring a coordinated partnership approach to developing Richmondshire

We also want to increase the skills of local people and enhance the role of volunteers and social enterprise so that they can help us to achieve these priorities.

Further Information

Our strategy has been kept deliberately short, in order to maintain our focus on key issues. If you would like to know more about any of these issues including background information and the results of the extensive consultation we undertook to identify these issues, then please visit our website. You will also find our action plans for dealing with these priorities on the website as well as general information about the Richmondshire Local Strategic Partnership in general.

- Our website is at www.Richmondshire.gov.uk. Click “Partnerships” then “Local Strategic Partnership”
- You can also email us at lsp@richmondshire.gov.uk and request information from us.

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