



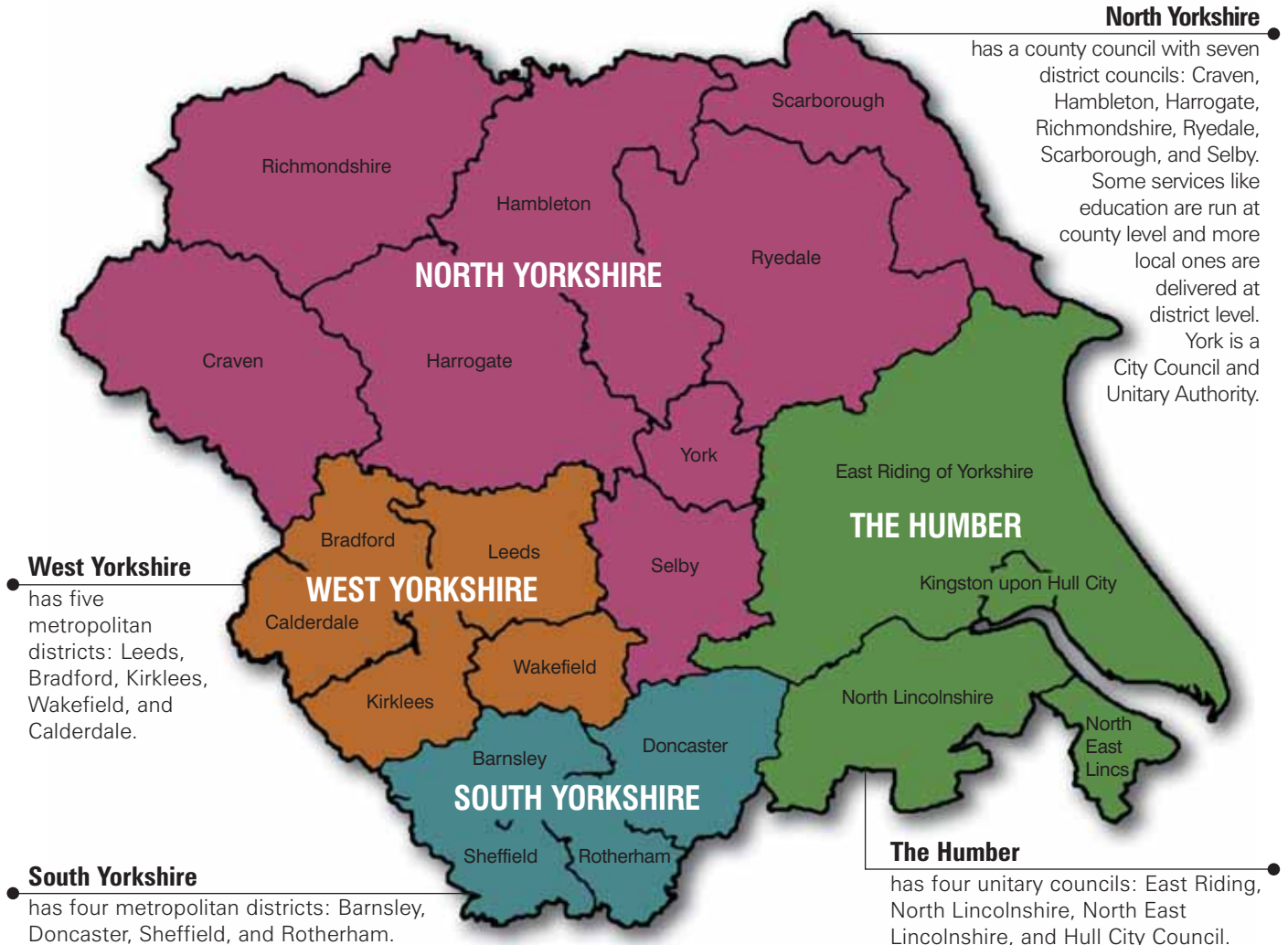
GOVERNMENT OFFICE
FOR YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER

REGIONAL STRUCTURES GUIDE

What is Yorkshire and The Humber?

Yorkshire and The Humber Region is one of the nine English Regions. It has four sub-regions: West Yorkshire, North Yorkshire, South Yorkshire and The Humber.

The region has a population of five million.



REGIONAL AGENCIES

Government Office for Yorkshire and The Humber

The Government Office for Yorkshire and The Humber (GOYH) is Whitehall in the region. Government Offices exist because what works in one part of the country may not work in another. GOYH:

- works with local and regional organisations to understand their priorities and improve their performance, in particular by negotiating Local Area Agreements;
- supports and challenges regional strategies to improve their quality and consistency;
- joins up and aligns departmental programmes to ensure coherence in delivery;
- identifies and resolves potential barriers to the delivery of Government policy regionally and locally;
- co-ordinates regional views about Government policy and provides feedback to departments about how best Public Service Agreements can be realised in Yorkshire and The Humber;
- oversees contingency planning to enable Government to respond to large-scale emergencies.

GOYH represents ten Government departments including the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, Cabinet Office, Department for Children, Schools and Families, Department for Communities and Local Government, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Department of Health, Home Office, Department for Transport and the Department for Work and Pensions.

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 www.goyh.gov.uk




Yorkshire Forward - regional development agency

Yorkshire Forward is the Regional Development Agency for Yorkshire and The Humber. A business-led organisation with a diverse range of activities, Yorkshire Forward is at the heart of growing Yorkshire and Humber's £80 billion economy.

It works to support more businesses to start up and grow in the region, and helps attract new investments from the rest of the UK and overseas.

Yorkshire Forward also works to improve levels of education, learning and skills in the region - helping our excellent workforce become even more adept at supporting the demands of the global economy.





Finally, Yorkshire Forward does all that it can to enhance the region's environment and infrastructure. Its renaissance programme is attracting private investment for new developments and making the region's towns and cities even more attractive places to live, work and invest.

 Victoria House, 2 Victoria Place, Leeds, LS11 5AE
 0113 394 9600
 www.yorkshire-forward.com

Yorkshire and Humber Assembly

As the region's strategic partnership, the Assembly promotes and lobbies for the best deal for Yorkshire and Humber in Whitehall and Brussels. As the regional planning body, it is responsible for shaping the future of our region, its transport, and its sustainability. The Assembly also scrutinises the work of Yorkshire Forward, the Regional Development Agency, in leading delivery of the Regional Economic Strategy.




There are 37 members of the Assembly, comprising Leaders of the Region's 22 local authorities and social, economic and environmental partners. The Regional Forum has one Assembly place and other voluntary sector organisations are also represented.

 18 King Street, Wakefield, WF1 2SQ
 01924 331555
 mail@yhassembly.gov.uk
 www.yhassembly.gov.uk

Local Government Yorkshire and Humber





Local Government Yorkshire and Humber is the regional partnership of local authorities, which enables them to work together and collaborate on issues of common purpose.

Its key objectives are to support councils to improve how they deliver services, to contribute to and influence Government on the future of local government, to work with local authorities to help them improve as employers and to improve the public perception of local government.

 18 King Street, Wakefield, WF1 2SQ
 01924 331631
 stella.jackson@lgyh.gov.uk
 www.lgyh.gov.uk




Northern Way

The Northern Way is being led by the three Northern Regional Development Agencies (RDAs) - Yorkshire Forward, One NorthEast and the Northwest Regional Development Agency. By collaborating with Government and regional stakeholders, it aims to develop a long-term strategy for growing the economy of the whole of the North, focusing on developing city regions.

 Stella House, Newburn Riverside,
Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 8NY
 0191 229 6634
 info@thenorthernway.co.uk
 www.thenorthernway.co.uk

Yorkshire Futures - Regional Intelligence Network

A virtual intelligence unit providing up-to-date information in a single internet based resource. Information covered includes labour market, economic, social, environmental and health as well as forecasts & analysis.

 0113 394 9676
 info@yorkshirefutures.com
 www.yorkshirefutures.com

Yorkshire & Humber Chambers of Commerce

This collective body aims to be a strong voice for businesses in Yorkshire & The Humber working closely with other regional bodies. The Chambers in the region represent 12,500 businesses of all sizes from all sectors.



Barnsley Business & Innovation Centre,
Innovation Way, Wilthorpe, Barnsley, S75 1JL
01226 704050
info@yhchambers.org
www.yhchambers.org

Yorkshire & Humber Public Health Observatory (YHPHO)

The vision of the YHPHO is to create a network of public health data and evidence to develop knowledge and transfer that knowledge into practice. The aim is for YHPHO to become a natural source of health related information for the NHS and local government.



Alcuin Research and Resource Centre,
University of York, Heslington, York, YO10 5DD
01904 724588
yhpho-info@york.ac.uk
www.yhpho.org.uk

Yorkshire and the Humber Strategic Health Authority

Set up in July 2006 the authority acts as the regional body for the NHS. Its aim is to promote better health and healthcare across the region and make sure the NHS uses its money efficiently.



NHS Yorkshire and the Humber,
Blenheim House, West One Duncombe Street,
Leeds, LS1 4PL
0113 295 2000
www.yorksandhumber.nhs.uk

Yorkshire Universities

Yorkshire Universities is the regional higher education association for Yorkshire and The Humber, providing a forum for the 10 Universities and 4 Higher Education Colleges to work together, and act as their collective voice in the region.



University House, Cromer Terrace,
Leeds, LS2 9JT
0113 343 1582
enquiries@yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk
www.yorkshireuniversities.ac.uk/

REGIONAL VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY SECTOR

Black & Minority Ethnic Voluntary and Community Sector Regional Panel

The BME VCS Regional Panel brings together prominent, high level community representatives with knowledge, skills, and expertise across a range of social issues within the voluntary and community sector. The Panel focuses on being an influential voice for the BME VCS in the region as well as providing strategic co-ordination of BME activities.



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Leeds, LS3 1AB
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www.bme.org.uk

Churches Regional Commission for Yorkshire and the Humber

Churches Regional Commission for Yorkshire and the Humber (CRC) was established in 1998 to assert the significance of faith in the region, to represent churches at a regional level to regional institutions, and to enable the churches to act as partners in regional development.



20 New Market Street, Leeds, LS1 6DG
0113 244 3413
info@crc-online.org.uk
www.crc-online.org.uk

Social Enterprise Yorkshire and the Humber (SEYH)

SEYH is established to represent, promote and drive forward the development of social enterprise in the region.



info@seyh.org.uk
www.seyh.org.uk

Yorkshire & Humber Faiths Forum

The Forum represents faith communities to regional bodies, making sure that the issues faced by faith communities are considered at a regional level.



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0113 245 6444
info@yorkshireandhumberfaiths.org.uk
www.yorkshireandhumberfaiths.org.uk

Yorkshire & The Humber Regional Forum

The Regional Forum promotes & supports the contribution of voluntary and community organisations in improving the quality of life in Yorkshire & the Humber and especially that of disadvantaged communities.

It is the strategic agency for the voluntary and community sector, which promotes an influential, coherent and organised voice for the sector at the regional and sub-regional level.



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LOCAL BODIES

Local Strategic Partnerships

Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs) are non-statutory, multi-agency partnerships, which follow local authority boundaries. LSPs bring together at a local level different parts of the public, private, voluntary and community sectors, allowing services to work together more effectively.

Any enquiry should be made, in the first instance, to the relevant local authority.

Crime Reduction Partnerships

The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act established partnerships between the police, local authorities, probation service, health authorities, the voluntary sector, and local residents and businesses.

These partnerships are working to reduce crime and disorder by establishing the levels of crime and disorder problems in an area, consulting widely and then devising a strategy containing measures to tackle those priority problems.



<http://www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk/partnerships2.htm?5b>

CULTURE AND LEISURE

English Heritage

English Heritage is the Government's statutory adviser on the historic environment. It is funded in part by the Government and from revenue earned from its historic properties and other services.



37 Tanner Row, York, YO1 6WP
01904 601901
yorkshire@english-heritage.org.uk
www.english-heritage.org.uk

MLA Yorkshire

MLA Yorkshire is the strategic development agency for museums, libraries and archives in the region. It works to improve people's lives through access to these collections and resources - building knowledge, supporting learning, inspiring creativity and celebrating identity.



Ground Floor, Marshall Court,
1 Marshall Street, Leeds, LS11 9YP
0113 394 4840
info@mlayorkshire.org.uk
www.mlayorkshire.org.uk

Sport England Yorkshire

The aim of Sport England Yorkshire is to increase participation in sport and physical activity in Yorkshire by 1% a year, by developing and using strategic partnerships throughout the region.



4th Floor, Minerva House, East Parade,
Leeds, LS1 5PS
08458 508 508
info@sportengland.org
www.sportengland.org.uk/yorkshire

Yorkshire Culture

Yorkshire Culture, the regional cultural consortium, is a public-private partnership set up in 1999 to promote the region's culture. It works by bringing together a wide range of individuals and organisations which are active in the region's cultural life.



Round Foundry Media Centre, Foundry Street,
Leeds, LS11 5QP
0113 394 4548
info@yorkshire-culture.co.uk
www.yorkshire-culture.co.uk

EUROPEAN FUNDING

In 2007, responsibility for the management and delivery of European structural funds moved from Government Office for Yorkshire and The Humber to Yorkshire Forward. Through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the European Social Fund (ESF), over £652 million will be brought into our region between 2007–2013.



Ring **0845 224 5305** for information about the region's ERDF Operational Programme or check www.yorkshire-forward.com

Judy Robinson, the Regional Forum's Director, is a member of the Programme Monitoring Committee (PMC) which oversees the implementation of the ERDF Operational Programme in the region.



Contact **Mick Speke** on **01274 444213** for information about ESF.

For information about all other European possibilities – whether policy developments, the opportunity to share good practice and learning or funding from the range of non-structural European funds available to us, contact YorkshireEurope, the region's representation in Brussels.






00 322 735 3408
european.office@yorkshire.be
www.yorkshire.be

LEARNING & SKILLS

Learning and Skills Council



The Learning and Skills Council (LSC) has a single goal: to improve the skills of England's young people and adults to ensure we have a workforce of world-class standard. The LSC in Yorkshire and the Humber covers four local areas, North Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, and the Humber. Each of these has an Area Director with a number of partnership teams working closely with stakeholders to deliver national skills policy.

Regional Learning & Skills Council


 Mercury House, 4 Manchester Road,
Bradford, BD5 0QL
 0845 019 4169
 westyorkshireinfo@lsc.gov.uk

Open College Network (OCN) Yorkshire and Humber

The OCN supports learning and widens opportunity by recognising achievement through credit based courses.

 Leeds 0113 283 7460
Sheffield 0114 228 6380
 www.ocnyhr.org.uk




Regional VCS Learning & Skills Group

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c/o Regional Forum
0113 394 2300
 office@regionalforum.org.uk
 www.regionalforum.org.uk

Sub-regional learning consortia

Humberside Learning Consortium

Its aim is to encourage and support learning in the Humber sub-region by making it easier to access and provide learning opportunities.

 01482 327438
 office@hlc-vol.org
 www.hlc-vol.org

North Yorkshire Learning Consortium

This is a newly established consortium of training partners and other partners to enhance delivery of learning and skills through and for the voluntary and community sector.

 Please refer to the Regional Forum website:
www.regionalforum.org.uk for contact information




South Yorkshire VC Train

VC Train provides a direct bidding and fund management mechanism through a partnership structure for voluntary and community sector learning providers.

 01709 518800
 contact@vctrain.org
 www.vctrain.org

West Yorkshire Learning Consortium

West Yorkshire Learning Consortium is a membership organisation for voluntary and community sector providers of training and learning.

 0113 245 3111
 info@wylc.org.uk
 www.wylc.org.uk

Assessment Centre for Voluntary Organisations (ACVO)

ACVO offers a broad range of accredited and non-accredited learning programmes and is committed to delivering high quality development, assessment and accreditation opportunities based on national occupational standards.

 01904 557605
 enquiries@acvo.co.uk
 www.acvo.co.uk

Local Learning Partnerships

Designed to promote a new culture of provider collaboration across sectors (schools, FE colleges, work-based learning and adult and community learning), being 'local' to focus on the needs of an area. Based in local authority areas, enquiries should be made to the relevant local authority.




Children's Trusts

Children's trusts bring together all services in an area to focus on improving outcomes for all children and young people. Trusts continue to be created across the region based in local authority areas and enquiries should be made with the relevant local authority.

GENERALIST VCS INFRASTRUCTURE

Regional Infrastructure Consortium (RIC)




The RIC operates at the regional level in Yorkshire and The Humber to develop and enhance the quality and reach of infrastructure support services to frontline third sector organisations.

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Hanover Walk, Leeds, LS3 1AB
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 office@regionalforum.org.uk
 www.regionalforum.org.uk




Sub-Regional VCS

In each sub region (North, South, West Yorkshire and the Humber) there is an organisation or network of Local Development Agencies (LDAs). There is also in each sub-region a consortium of infrastructure organisations. These consortia can be contacted via the details below.





Humber Federation of Local Development Agencies (FOLDA)

 c/o Humberside Learning Consortium, Goodwin
Centre, Icehouse Road, Hull HU3 2HQ
01482 327438
 office@hlc-vol.org
 www.hlc-vol.org




York & North Yorkshire Sub-regional VCS Infrastructure Consortium

 c/o North Yorkshire Forum for Voluntary
Organisations, Crayke House, Birch Way,
Easingwold Business Park, Stillington Road,
Easingwold, York, YO61 3FB
01347 825710
 nyfvo@nyfvo.org.uk
 www.nyfvo.org.uk

West Yorkshire Local Development Agencies (WYLDA)

 c/o Yorkshire & the Humber Regional Forum,
Suite D10, Joseph's Well, Hanover Walk,
Leeds LS3 1AB
 0113 394 2300
 office@regionalforum.org.uk
 www.regionalforum.org.uk




South Yorkshire ChangeUp Consortium

 c/o South Yorkshire Open Forum
01709 519100
 enquiries@syopenforum.org.uk
 www.syopenforum.org.uk


Rural Community Councils (RCCs)

RCCs are also infrastructure organisations, working to support rural communities. Their aim is to strengthen rural community life by offering information, advice, support and training to voluntary organisations.

Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council


 01430 430904
 info@hwrcc.org.uk
 www.hwrcc.org.uk

Yorkshire Rural Community Council

 01904 645271
 yrcc@yrcc.org.uk

Councils for Voluntary Service (CVS) or Voluntary Action (VA)

CVS are infrastructure support organisations working to develop voluntary action. Most districts in Yorkshire & the Humber have a CVS, and their contact details are available from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA)

 www.navca.org.uk/liodir/


Yorkshire & Humber CVS Regional Group

The CVS meet together once or twice a year. The Regional Forum acts as secretariat to the Group.

FUNDING ADVICE

Big Lottery Fund

The Big Lottery Fund is the largest distributor of Lottery money. Its funding supports community, health, education and environment projects.





 2nd Floor, Carlton Tower, 34 St Paul's Street,
Leeds, LS1 2AT
 0113 224 5300
 enquiries.yh@biglotteryfund.org.uk
 www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Capacitybuilders

Capacitybuilders is a non-departmental government body set up in 2006 to take over the management of the ChangeUp programme and to work with other funders to build the capacity of the Third Sector.

Capacitybuilders works in partnership with Government and other infrastructure bodies to help voluntary and community organisations work more effectively.

It has a designated office in each of the English regions.

 c/o Brian Jackson House, New North Parade,
Huddersfield, HD1 5JP
 07920 726510
 neil.bennett@capacitybuilders.org.uk
 sandra.beighton@capacitybuilders.org.uk
 www.capacitybuilders.org.uk

N.B. preferred contact by mobile or email




Community Foundations

Community Foundations are charitable trusts supporting local community causes. Their role is to manage donor funds and build endowment as well as make grants to charities and community groups. Foundations in this region are:




- Community Foundation Calderdale
- Craven Trust
- Hull & East Yorkshire Community Foundation
- Leeds Community Foundation
- Sheffield Community Foundation
- York and North Yorkshire Community Foundation

 www.communityfoundations.org.uk

Fit4Funding

 01924 239063
 info@fit4funding.org.uk
 www.fit4funding.org.uk

South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau

 0114 249 4343
 enquiries@syfab.org.uk
 www.syfab.org.uk

Councils for Voluntary Service and Voluntary Action also provide funding advice.

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