

Rural Services Network

Seminar Programme 2012 - 2013



The RSN organises an annual seminar programme which is free of charge to members. The events are intended to help Councils and Rural Services Partnership Members overcome some of the issues and challenges that they face in delivering services in rural places.



The Programme

PERCEPTIONS OF THE URBAN FRINGE – AN INTEGRATED VISION?

11 October 2012 – The Nave, St Mary's Church, Sheffield

Dave Melling & Robert Brough (Airedale Partnership, Bradford Council) – Urban/rural fringes, a SURF perspective.

Mark Turner (Pennine Prospects) – Rural regeneration between the cities.

Lucy Atkins (Peak District National Park) - Villages and Communities Together Project- a case study of supporting rural-urban fringe communities.

COASTS

4 December 2012 –The Pavilion Theatre, Bournemouth

Simon Williams (Weymouth & Portland Borough Council) - 2012 sailing Olympics and Paralympics and their legacy.

This event will provide practical examples of how 'the pull of the sea' has supported the regeneration and economic development of coastal towns.

THE ROLE OF MARKET TOWNS

24 January 2013 – Town Hall, Retford

Matt Corrigan (Lincoln BIG) – Revitalising high streets.

Retford 2020 will offer fresh ideas as to how you can make your town a better place.

This event includes a Walking Tour.

TRANSPORT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE – SCALES AND PERSPECTIVES

20 March 2013 – Business & Technology Centre, Stevenage Borough Council

John Birtwistle (First Group) – Addressing the challenges faced by rural bus operators.

Colin Walker (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) – Meeting the spatial challenge: how far can rural transport reach?

RURAL DEPRIVATION AND INEQUALITIES

21 May 2013 - Teesside University, Darlington Campus

Joyce Liddle (Teesside University) – Will LEPs help or hinder rural deprivation and inequality?

Professor David Hunter (Durham University) - The Impact of Health System Reform on Health Inequalities: New dawn or poisoned chalice?

RURAL YOUTH

11 June 2013 - Rolle Building, University of Plymouth

Dr Naomi Tyrrell (University of Plymouth) - Rural Realities: Challenges for Young People Living in the Countryside.

Dr Mike Leyshon (University of Exeter) - Revisiting A Place to Hang Out: 12 years of Survey Data on Rural Youth Lifestyles.

DEVELOPING RURAL PLACES: PLANNING & LOCALISM

16 July 2013 - Shirehall, Shropshire Council (Shrewsbury)

Councillor Motley (Rural Affairs Portfolio Holder) & Mike Hyatt (Corporate Head of Strategic planning) – Localism and Locality Working.

Gordon Hunter (Lincolnshire Community Foundation) - The Gracelands approach to Community Development: “a little less conversation”.

WHAT MAKES A COMMUNITY SUSTAINABLE?

10th September 2013 – Cheshire West and Chester Council (Chester)

Professor Roy Alexander (University of Chester) – Environmental Sustainability.

This event will also look at the practical role local authorities play in creating more successful, more sustainable communities.

ONLINE DEBATES & BRIEFINGS

Due to popular request, this year’s seminar programme will be accompanied by an online debate and rural briefing for each topic listed above. The briefings and debates will take place prior to each seminar and are intended to provide a structured opportunity for RSN Members to obtain useful information and stimulate discussion. For more information please contact Ivan by email ivan.annibal@roseregeneration.co.uk or telephone 01522 521211.

Seminar Information & Booking

All seminars run from 10.30am – 4.00pm. Spaces are limited to 50 delegates per event.

To reserve your place, please contact Wendy Cooper by email wendy.cooper@sparse.gov.uk or telephone 01822 831693.