



Annual Report of the Work of Future Years
The Yorkshire and Humberside Forum on Ageing
2012 - 2013





In presenting this report, as Chair of Future Years, I would like to thank particularly, our administrator Joanne Volpe, who has done sterling work to enable our Forum to function so effectively, Russell Taylor, our representative from the Department of Works and Pensions for his unfailing support, despite some very challenging train journeys and lastly those members who have actively contributed to the work of Future Years in 2012/2013. I believe we have had a good and fruitful year. My grateful thanks to all.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shelagh Marshall". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Shelagh Marshall

Chair, Future Years, Yorkshire and Humberside Forum on Ageing.
October 2013.

Members of Future Years have enjoyed another busy year. In fact there seems to be more work than ever to do as we strive to ensure older people in Yorkshire and Humber are

- well informed
- able to afford the right level of heating
- have opportunities to socialise
- share skills with each other
- keep safe in their own homes
- have opportunities to engage in learning and physical activity if it is their wish
- that the voices of older people in Yorkshire & Humberside are heard by Government Ministers through our membership of the UK Advisory Forum on Ageing.

During this year 2012 – 2013 the 2011 census figures were published and the statistics concerning the number and age of older people in Yorkshire and Humber revealed that the over 50s population in each region were as follows:

East Yorkshire	145,004
The City of Hull	79,335
North East Lincolnshire	58,873
North Lincolnshire	64,124
North Yorkshire	598,376
South Yorkshire	464,315
West Yorkshire	720,390
The City of York	67,858

Appendix 1 shows a breakdown of these figures.

Our year began with an away day to determine our priorities and develop our work plan. This plan is essential to draw down our funding from the Department of Works and Pensions. It needs to reflect some of the Government priorities for older people and what actions we plan to achieve our aims.

Future Years joined the Age Action Alliance in September 2011, the year of its launch.

The Age Action Alliance (AAA) is an independent partnership of organisations which has adopted a new approach to the challenges of ageing, focused very clearly on finding practical solutions to improve the lives of older people.

The work of the AAA is carried out through a number of working groups, these groups include, Loneliness and Isolation, Transport, Improving the Lives of Vulnerable Groups, Friendly Environments and Safe and Warmer Homes. There are members of Future Years who sit on each of the first four groups. It is the Working Group, 'Safe and Warmer Homes'

who secured funding for all the regional forums to organise **Energy Efficiency Training Workshops** to train older people to be Energy Efficiency champions and cascade their learning to other older people. Workshops were organised at Hull, York, Sheffield, Barnsley and Leeds in winter 2012. The NEA (National Energy Association) carried out the training. More are planned for Winter 2013/14.

Loneliness and Isolation remained the top of our priorities and the Chair of Future Years, who also chairs the AAA Working Group, has been involved in gathering examples of good practice on how we can identify those in our communities who could be suffering from the effects of loneliness and isolation, furthermore gathering examples of good practice by hearing from those people active in their own communities who have developed schemes to reduce the effects of loneliness and isolation. Loneliness can occur equally in cities as in isolated rural areas. This Group also had the opportunity to offer their views concerning the awarding of the next tranche of Big Lottery funding, that this should focus on one of the Government's priorities including Older People.

Dementia - Future Years individual members have joined the Campaign for 1m Dementia Friends and the Y& H Dementia Action Alliance. Our local contribution includes attending the quarterly meeting of the Alliance and a member sits on the Advisory Group of Memory Bank. This project has developed films from the York Archives (unlocking memories through archive film) to show to those with dementia. A work book is included in the pack so that carers can stimulate discussion amongst people with dementia. The films may be shown in a nursing home, hospital or an individual's home. The first feedback from those who have used the films have been very encouraging. www.memory-bank.org

Membership of the Future Years Committee – To represent fully the voices of older people in Yorkshire and Humberside, a Task Group of members was convened to look at the way we work including membership of our Committee. Our Terms of Reference require that 50% of our membership should be older people and that these should reflect geographical representation by people who are active amongst older people in their area.

The views and voices of older people in Leeds, North Yorkshire and York have been very well represented by John Welham, Vice Chair of Leeds Older People's Forum; Councillor Shelagh Marshall (North Yorkshire's Older People's Champion and George Wood (York Older People's Assembly) respectively, but we really need more regular representation from South, West Yorkshire and East Riding, including Hull and the North Lincolnshire local authority areas.

UK Advisory Forum on Ageing - This national Group composed of representation from the nine regional Forums in England, the three devolved nations and representatives from national organisations such as Age UK; National Carers Resource; SENSE; and others, meets quarterly. Meetings are chaired by Ministers, Steve Webb MP Minister for Pensions and / or Norman Lamb MP and Minister for The Care Services. The agenda at these Forum meetings

bring the latest information from leading civil servants who make presentations and take questions from members present. There are always discussion groups to gather the views of older people on issues agreed with Ministers and where Government is keen to hear those views. For example at the September meeting, the Department of Transport asked for views about the ownership and use of motorised scooters. All Regional Forums have been asked to ask owners of these scooters to complete questionnaires to gather basic data. Details of the proposals for Paying for Care were presented to members present by a leading officer from the Department of Health who has encouraged us to invite older people to make their views known. The representative from Future Years on this Forum has never missed a meeting in the four years of its existence. UKAFA has now been recognised by Parliament as a reliable voice of older people and all Government Departments have been advised to consult UKAFA when developing new policies, so that the effects on older people can be assessed. Notes of the UKAFA meetings are posted on our website and those from the English Chairs' Forum

Annual Conference – we held our annual conference in Sheffield in October 2012. For the second year running we focussed on Loneliness and Isolation. Laura Ferguson, the person commissioned by Government to lead the Campaign to End Loneliness attended and spoke about the progress during the previous twelve months, Evan Morris, the Chair of the Chief Fire Officers' Association spoke about the work in the communities in England to identify those at risk of fire as a consequence of isolation and loneliness. All the Fire and Rescue Services in Yorkshire and Humber have joined the Age Action Alliance as partners. A presentation about some of the good practise to seek volunteers amongst older people's Groups in the Region was given by Age UK Rotherham.

Future Years Website – is very active and updated each week. All our presentations given at meetings, notice of meetings and minutes are all to be found with links to other topical documents and agencies including information and consultation documents from Government Departments. Please visit the website at www.futureyears.org.uk Additionally a **Friday Newsletter** is emailed out to those who request it and those fifties organisations who have registered their interest.

Finance Report

Our funding is managed by Age Concern Support Services (Yorkshire & Humber) who employ our administrator. They are required to have their accounts independently examined and Future Years is shown in these accounts as a restricted fund. Below is an extract from those accounts independently examined by Ash Berry Coulson's Chartered Accountants

12. Movement in Funds

	At 1.4.12	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.13
Restricted funds				
Fit as a Fiddle Portfolio	4,446	(5,183)	737	-
Future Years	25,074	1,196	-	26,270
Fit as a Fiddle Activities	78,554	(77,817)	(737)	-
Regional grant	4,500	(1,976)	-	2,524
Regional volunteering network	926	-	-	926
Federation Fund	2,224	(187)	-	2,037
Awards for All	-	3,641	-	3,641
Making the Link (DoH)	-	1,793	-	1,793

A more detailed breakdown of Future Years finance is provided to the committee in the quarterly management accounts produced by Age Concern Support Services. Below is a breakdown of our income and expenditure in the last financial year:

FUTURE YEARS Apr 2012- Mar 2013	BUDGET 2012/13	EXPECTED Apr-Mar	ACTUAL Apr-Mar
INCOME			
Grants	16000	16000	16000
Subscriptions			
Donations			
Misc			
Interest			
Total income	16000	16000	16000
Carry forward from 2011/12			25074
TOTAL	16000	16000	41074
EXPENDITURE			
<u>STAFFING COSTS</u>			
Salaries/NI/Pension	3958	3958	5166
Central Salaries (Contribution)			
Recruitment			
Travel & Subsistence			164
Staff training			
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>			
Overheads (rent/heat/light etc)	594	594	594
Mobile Phones			
Stationary/Postage/Office Equipment			61
Subscriptions/Memberships			
<u>PROJECT ACTIVITY</u>			
Room Hire			
Refreshments			
Printing/Publicity/Promotions	1200	1200	300
Travel Expenses	1000	1000	1623
Training			
Funding Allocation (Energy workshops)	2000	2000	
One-off Activities (External conferences)	500	500	621
Events (AGM, Away Day, Conference)	7200	7200	6166
Evaluation			
<u>CORE CENTRAL COSTS</u>			
Phone/Broadband			
IT Services	500	500	109
Audit			
Professional Fees			
Insurance			
Misc			
Bank Charges			
TOTAL	16952	16952	14804
Surplus/(Deficit)	-952	-952	26270

Appendix 1

		All ages ¹	50 – 54	55 – 59	60 – 64	65 – 69	70 – 74	75 – 79	80 – 84	85 – 89	90 – 94	95 – 99	98	99	100 and over
YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER		5,283,733	343,804	305,278	325,329	252,608	211,241	170,823	125,598	75,868	29,957	7,502	975	647	974
East Riding of Yorkshire UA		334,179	23,938	22,412	27,070	21,068	17,648	13,951	9,769	5,947	2,368	616	76	53	88
Kingston upon Hull, City of UA		256,406	15,949	13,746	13,844	9,635	8,666	7,322	5,466	3,166	1,155	279	37	28	42
North East Lincolnshire UA		159,616	10,683	9,621	10,236	7,815	6,918	5,712	4,101	2,469	985	245	24	22	42
North Lincolnshire UA		167,446	11,649	10,922	11,452	9,017	7,246	5,771	4,241	2,542	971	225	43	19	26
York UA		198,051	12,017	10,649	11,716	9,122	7,807	6,589	5,040	3,200	1,311	305	36	25	41
North Yorkshire		598,376	42,989	39,656	44,622	36,205	29,129	23,455	17,621	10,891	4,467	1,287	155	84	144
	Craven	55,409	4,174	3,979	4,446	3,687	2,818	2,375	1,841	1,242	494	135	16	7	18
	Hambleton	89,140	6,466	6,102	6,887	5,748	4,709	3,647	2,720	1,599	642	156	13	9	20
	Harrogate	157,869	11,307	9,850	10,674	8,694	7,202	5,889	4,493	2,927	1,251	391	48	29	47
	Richmondshire	51,965	3,329	3,064	3,543	2,797	2,233	1,730	1,212	717	295	86	6	3	6
	Ryedale	51,751	3,741	3,742	4,351	3,604	2,829	2,338	1,743	1,000	418	110	14	6	10
	Scarborough	108,793	7,683	7,500	8,720	7,212	6,099	4,821	3,713	2,259	907	280	39	24	29
	Selby	83,449	6,289	5,419	6,001	4,463	3,239	2,655	1,899	1,147	460	129	19	6	14
South Yorkshire (Met County)		1,343,601	87,282	75,935	79,041	64,883	53,777	43,219	31,488	18,909	7,507	1,682	225	141	226
	Barnsley	231,221	16,204	14,330	14,843	12,346	9,734	7,708	5,542	3,279	1,136	240	38	24	25
	Doncaster	302,402	20,928	18,364	18,847	14,737	12,372	10,174	7,486	4,346	1,595	378	49	32	53
	Rotherham	257,280	17,934	15,663	16,664	13,686	11,097	8,537	6,023	3,684	1,438	332	44	22	45
	Sheffield	552,698	32,216	27,578	28,687	24,114	20,574	16,800	12,437	7,600	3,338	732	94	63	103
West Yorkshire (Met County)		2,226,058	139,297	122,337	127,348	94,863	80,050	64,804	47,872	28,744	11,193	2,863	379	275	365
	Bradford	522,452	31,493	27,588	26,760	18,570	16,918	13,917	10,383	6,493	2,357	645	68	66	109
	Calderdale	203,826	14,195	12,401	13,344	9,848	7,745	5,956	4,629	2,831	1,173	261	38	24	29
	Kirklees	422,458	26,926	24,001	25,845	19,323	15,712	12,091	9,001	5,316	2,113	526	68	44	68
	Leeds	751,485	44,050	38,294	40,178	30,220	26,235	22,229	16,332	9,600	3,856	1,015	142	102	111
	Wakefield	325,837	22,633	20,053	21,221	16,902	13,440	10,611	7,527	4,504	1,694	416	63	39	48

Membership of the Yorkshire & Humber Regional Forum on Ageing (Future Years)

Name	Organisation / Agency
Dr. Oliver Corrado	NHS Leeds Teaching Hospitals
Robert Crossland	Alzheimers Society
Mary Robinson	Contact the Elderly
Mashud Haque	BME Panel
Hilary Thompson	Age UK Calderdale & Kirklees
Dr. Mary Laurenson (Vice Chair)	University of Hull
Shelagh Marshall (Chair)	Sub area rep: North Yorkshire
Neil Martin	Independent Equalities Rep
Peter Meer	Y&H Pensioners Convention
Kath McDaid	NEA
Jean Walker (Bradford Older People's Assembly)	Sub-area rep. West Yorkshire
John Welham (Vice Chair)	Leeds Older People's Forum
Paul Russell	TUC (Y&H retired members)
Russell Taylor	Department for Work and Pensions
Gordon Westell	ChangeAGEnts
George Wood (York Older People's Assembly)	Sub area rep North Yorkshire & York sub-area rep
Jane Tanser	Sub area rep: South Yorkshire
Vacancy	Sub-area rep Hull & the Humber
Vacancy	Sub-area rep: East Riding
Vacancy	NIACE