



Humber Economic Partnership

Humber Economic Partnership – FAQs

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1. “What is the Aim of Humber Economic Partnership?”

Humber Economic Partnership (HEP) is the strategic partnership for sustainable economic development for the Hull and Humber Ports City Region/Humber Sub Region.

2. “What is the main focus of Humber Economic Partnership’s work?”

HEP leads on issues that can be dealt with effectively at only a City Region level:

- We **promote, lobby** for and **represent** the area at appropriate levels of influence;
- We **provide governance** arrangements and **coordinate** and **facilitate** strategic partnership working at the City Region level;
- We **deliver** key partnership activity such as *policy advice & research*, and *raising the profile of the City Region*.

3. “Who is involved in the partnership?”

The Partnership covers the **whole city region** and is made up from leaders of both public and private sectors from both banks of the Humber who believe in the merits and importance of joint action to create the sustainable growth and greater competitiveness of the economy of the area.

HEP is core-**funded** by the four Local Authorities that cover the area (East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Hull City Council, North East Lincolnshire Council and North Lincolnshire Council).

HEP has a **Board** of 15 Directors, including the four Council Leaders, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Hull, a member of the Regional Learning & Skills Council and nine private sector directors.

The Board is advised by the virtual HEP **Strategy Team**, comprising the four Council Economic Development Directors, a University Pro-Vice Chancellor, the Yorkshire Forward Assistant Director for the Humber and the HEP Executive Manager.

The HEP **Executive Team** put into action the Board’s decisions.

There are many ways to get involved in HEP, becoming a member is the easiest, and gives access to most of our events, publications, etc.

4. “What sort of activities does Humber Economic Partnership undertake”

Influencing government policy – policy consultations;

Custodians of City Region Development Programme (**CRDP**) / Integrated City Region Strategy (**ICRS**);

Develop city region wide **partnership projects**, e.g. Multi Area Agreement (MAA) and profile raising;

Intelligence and **policy updates**, including Progress in the Humber;

Coordinating **Business Week** and **Business Education Day**.



5. **“What are Humber Economic Partnership’s key challenges for the coming year?”**

- Ensure new City Region **Thematic Boards** fulfil their roles, particularly their influence
- Develop the new **ICRS** and influence the new Integrated Regional Strategy (IRS)
- In partnership and through negotiation with Government develop and implement a successful Humber-wide **MAA** for Employment, Enterprise and Skills
- Work with Yorkshire Forward and other partners to successfully **raise the profile** of the City / Sub Region
- Successfully coordinate **Humber Business Week 09** and **Business Education Day 09**, taking them to new levels, making both even better than the first pan-Humber format in 2008
- Maintain the high standard of the **Policy** and **Intelligence service**
- Work with partners to **optimise** our **collective resources** and maximise benefit