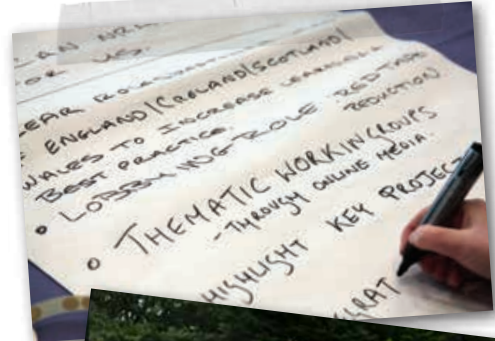


Developing Objective Analysis And Stakeholder Engagement



"The workshops were an outstanding success for engaging stakeholders and in helping to inform our thinking."

(Rural Stakeholder, Anti Poverty workshops)

- On average 12 public consultation responses per annum providing rural perspective
- Appointed as Rural Expert Subject Matter in the delivery of Rural Proofing Training to Civil Servants in partnership with the Centre for Applied Learning
- Representation and Participation on:-
 - DRD Regional Development Strategy External Working Group
 - DARD Evidence and Innovation Stakeholder Forum
 - DARD Rural White Paper Stakeholder Groups
 - DARD Rural Childcare Stakeholder Group
 - DOE Rural Design Guide Steering Group
 - DOE Strategic Planning Forum
 - PPS21 Working Group (Non Farm Rural Dwellers)
 - NIHE Rural Policy Implementation Group
 - Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme Monitoring Committee
- Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme Mid Term Evaluation Steering Group
- Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme Consultative Partnership
- INTERREG IVA Priority 2 Steering Group (social partner)
- Beyond Belfast Steering Group
- O4O: Older people for Older people Northern Periphery Programme
- Social Enterprise Northern Ireland Consortium
- Stakeholder consultation and report on the DARD Anti Poverty Strategy
- Development of Rural Strategy for SWARD Cluster covering Cookstown, Dungannon & South Tyrone, Magherafelt and Fermanagh District Council areas
- Research into the Review of Education, training and skills needs for the rural voluntary and community sector
- Completion of Scoping Studies on Village Renewal for SWARD and SOAR Clusters under the Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme
- Development and provision of comprehensive GIS Service
- Working in partnership to deliver a community planning pilot in Fermanagh and Omagh District Council areas
- Analysis of the housing dynamics in cross border towns and establishment of a cross border steering group to explore housing issues.
- On average 1575 visitors from over 140 countries accessing information on the RDC and Rural Network for Northern Ireland websites (www.rdc.org.uk and www.ruralnetworkni.org.uk)
- 6 issues of RURAL bi-annual newsletter issued and disseminated to over 200 contacts

We do this:
So the value of rural is clear and prioritised.