



Community-Led Research Network

Session 3 – 3rd April 2023

Introduction to the Session and Overview of Last Week

Review learning from last week:

- Identified the issue(s) you want to have a closer look at
- looked at a tool for getting to a shared agreement and involving lots of people

This week there will be a reminder of UKRI context and the Otley context - forming a group and a network, unearthing and connecting innate knowledge & skill. Building long-term capacity of both individuals and local community organisations (not just about a single piece of research)

* Invite to 7th June meeting with all potential partners, community orgs, research partners, core team

* Chance to meet with other pilot group from Seacroft

At the end of this we are hoping to have an evening where we bring the teams from Otley and Seacroft together to present and discuss our research

This week:

- Continuing the theme of research by looking at tools that will help you collect information
- Thinking about how to do research well
- Overview of Consensus Decision Making
- Introduction to Doughnut Economics and how it underpinned this project

Nature Issues in Otley

Decision Making

A quick introduction to what consensus decision making looks like and how it can be useful for community groups to make decisions.

Agree a Topic

So, let's revisit the 3 areas identified for the problem trees:

- Pollution
- Access to green space
- Biodiversity/gardens/rewilding

What are some research questions that we could look at on these (one suggestion was about rewilding gardens)?

Need to consider:

- Time and resources available
- Maximising impact
- Clear and achievable project

Research Methods

- surveys/questionnaires
- interviews
- focus groups
- desk research?
- Quantitative techniques e.g. collection of numerical data

Introduction to Doughnut Economics

- A framework for community-led research?
- Currently used by Climate Action Leeds and Otley 2030 as a tool to paint a portrait of where we currently stand
- Could it be used at a community level to make decisions?

Next week

- Finalising research questions

- Planning your project
- Role allocation