

Community-Led Research Network

Session 2 – 26th April 2023

Introduction to the Session and Overview of Last Week

Review learning from last week:

- looked at how we gather info
- we talked about how information needs to be trusted

This week we will be looking at what we might look at and why - and think about who else might be interested in this topic.

Nature Issues in Otley

Listening Space Exercise

- Split into groups of 6
- Each person takes 2 minutes to talk, uninterrupted, about: "How are you, and what is on your mind, and in your heart, right now when it comes to exploring nature issues in Otley?"
- We then go round the circle again in the same order, and each person has another 2 minutes to: "Share your reflections and feelings in the light of what you heard in Round 1."
- In the third and final round, each person will have 1 minute to: "Share one thing that you might take forward, and also to offer some appreciation to any particular thoughts or any aspects of the exercise that have resonated with you."

Group Work

- Group work: framing the issues that emerged into questions to seek answers to/issues. Onto sticky notes.
- Merge all groups' ideas Put onto table and read others try to group into shared themes across groups.
- Each participant is then given 5 sticky dots to vote for the issues that they feel are most important and they would like to take forward. They can use all 5 on one issue or spread the dots out across different topics.

Problem Tree

- We will select the 3 most important issues based on the voting in the previous exercise
- Then we used a problem tree exercise to delve into the following questions:
 - What are the root causes?
 - What are the effects?

Feedback

- How is everyone feeling about this last exercise?
- Does this help us think about what we need to know/prove/illustrate to make change?
- Does this help us hone down to a topic or research question?
- Is it clear what issue/topic or not?
- Does anybody have any strong feelings about a topic that has been omitted?
- Is there a sense of whether you want to all do the same micro research project using different tools or different micro research projects in teams?

Next week

- Research Tools
- Introduction to Frameworks