



## Yorkshire & Humber Integrated Regional Strategy

### Thematic Board nominated representative role description

#### Role of the nominee & Board

The nominated Thematic Board roles are intended to provide expert advice to the Thematic Board, to help it in advising the Joint Regional Board. It is the Joint Regional Board which is the decision making body for the region on most aspects of all the policy areas covered by the Thematic Boards.

There are some slight exceptions to this, where the Thematic Board delegated responsibility for decision making, as follows:

- The Spatial Planning Board will be the statutory consultee on significant planning applications and issue opinions on the general conformity of Development Plan Documents.
- The Regional Transport Board will be responding to consultations on policy matters from the Department for Transport where the response does not require a significantly new policy position to be developed and agreed.

Nominated roles are *not* representative, either of a specific organisation, a sector or an interest group. They are intended to input direct expertise and understanding of relevant issues. This experience and understanding will inevitably be shaped by the nominees background within a sector or organisation.

#### Practicalities of the role

Roles will not be remunerated, as is the case for all roles on the Thematic Boards, however reasonable expenses will be refunded.

Thematic Boards are expected to meet approximately 4 times a year, and Board members will be expected to commit to attending the significant majority of these meetings. Board members will also be expected to contribute time outside the meetings, estimated to be around 1 day per month, for related work and events.

#### Attributes of the nominee

The nominee should be able to demonstrate that they have detailed understanding of the issues relevant to the specific Thematic Board. Such an understanding may be demonstrated either through education or through personal experience either as part of their job or their additional voluntary work or similar.

Experience of carrying out a similar role in the past would be an advantage although not essential. In particular an understanding of how Boards function and the type of input the nominee can contribute to make the most difference would be an advantage.

In some cases nominees may have a wider support base that they wish to be reflected, for example being the preferred nominee from a regional forum. This should be made clear on the nomination form, and will be taken into account when taking final decisions on Board representatives. However decisions on nominations will be made on the basis of securing the best mix of skills and experience for the task in hand.