

Local Environment and Economic Development (LEED) Toolkit

LEVEL 1 Training

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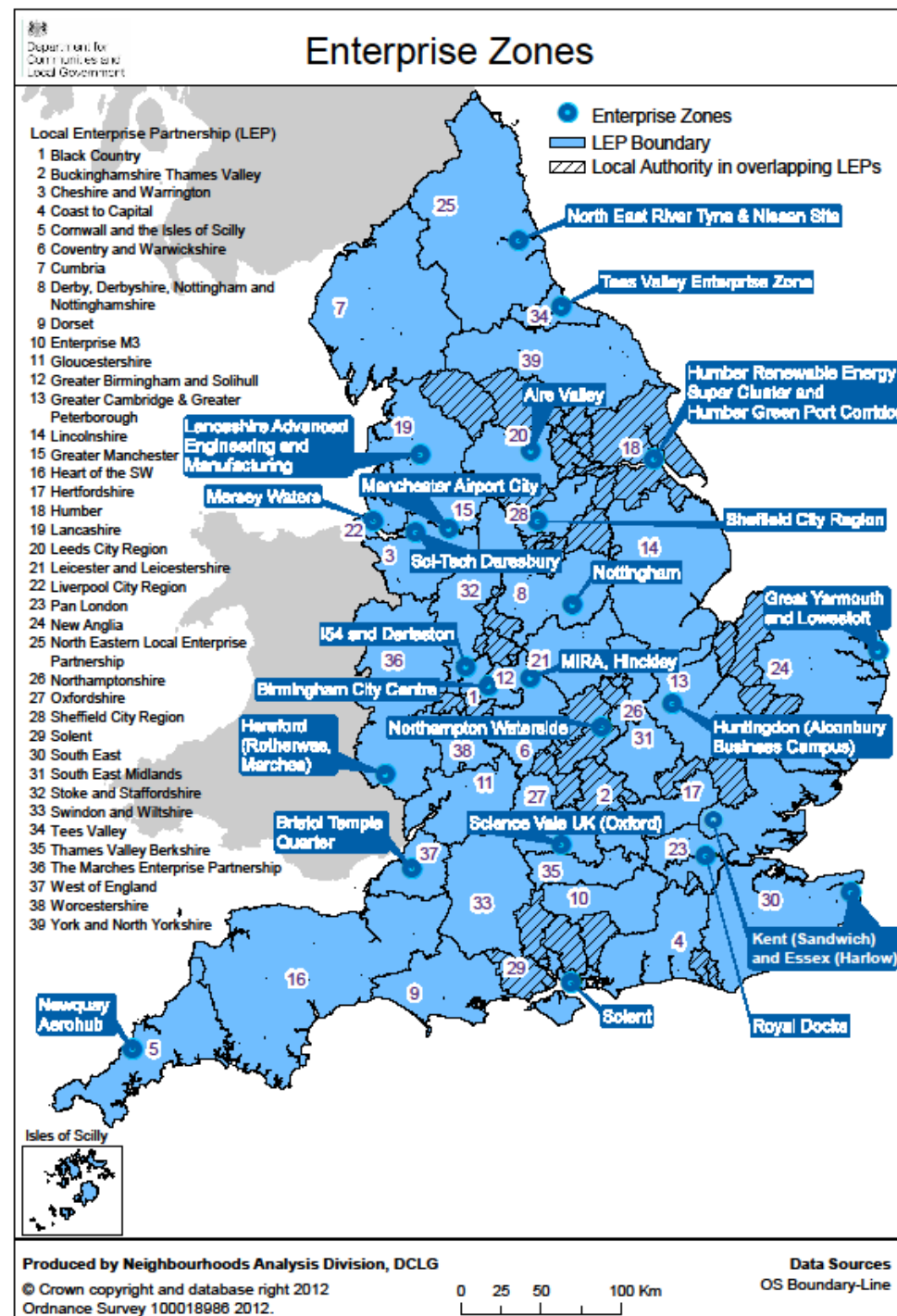
The LEED toolkit

- 1) LEPs – a brief overview
- 2) Purpose of the LEED toolkit
- 3) How does it work?
- 4) The story so far



1) LEPs – a brief overview

- Local enterprise partnerships - between local authorities and businesses.
- Prioritise areas of investment in roads, buildings and facilities in the area.
- 39 LEPs
- Structural Investment Fund Strategies (SIFS) and Strategic Economic Plans (SEPs)



2) Purpose of the LEED toolkit

The toolkit will support Local Enterprise Partnerships to **make operational sense of complex environmental information**, so that it can **support vision development** through feeding in to **SWOT analysis**.

Internal	External	
Strength	Opportunities	Positive
Weaknesses	Threats	Negative



Outputs

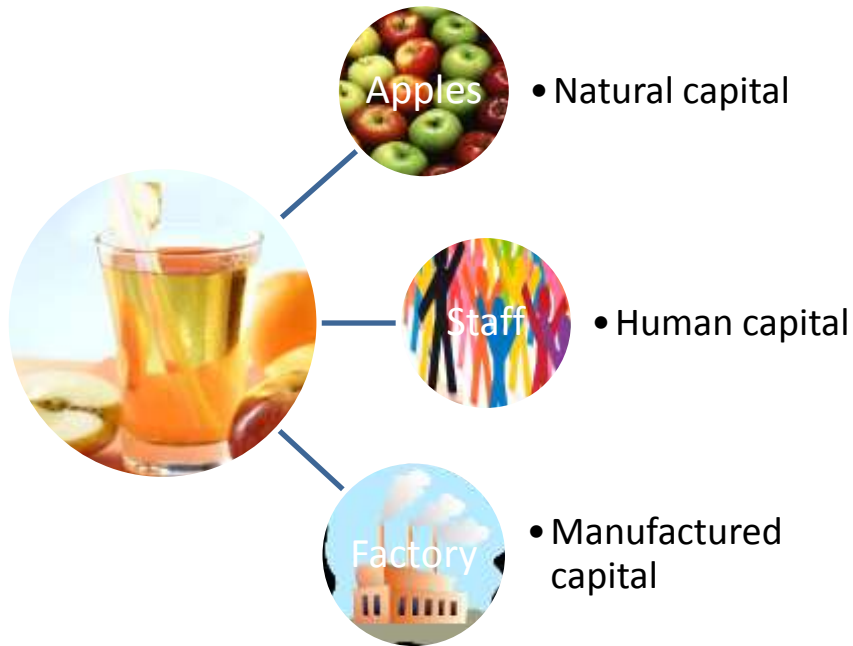
- an assessment of the opportunities and threats to the LEPs plans for increasing local Gross Value Added (GVA),
- based on the economy's dependencies upon the environment

- Solutions which require a change in the economic plan (strategic solutions)
- or*
- Solutions which do not require a change in the economic plan, and can be addressed through specific programmes of projects (tactical solutions)

3) How does it work?



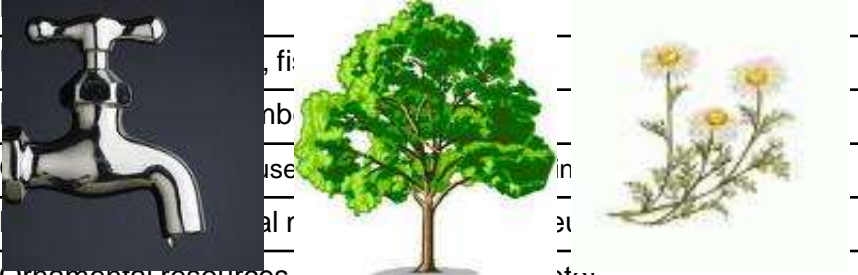
Ecosystem Services



- Producing goods and services requires natural capital as well as human and manufactured capital
- As well as direct products – such as apples for cider - nature offers many less tangible, but equally important services

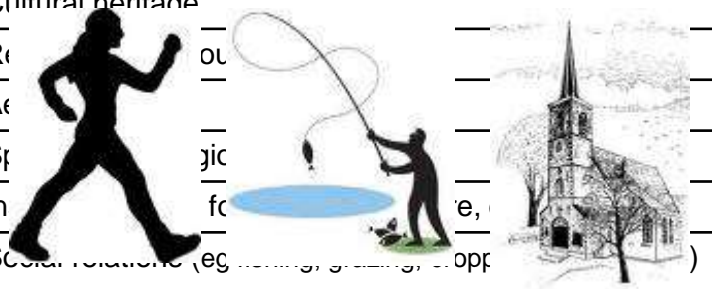
The Ecosystem Service Framework

Provisioning services




Ornamental resources (eg shrubs, flowers, etc)

Cultural services



Cultural heritage
Recreation
Aesthetics
Spirituality
Innovation
Social relations (eg fishing, gaming, shopping)

Regulatory services



Air quality regulation
Disease regulation
Erosion regulation
Water purification and waste treatment
Pollination

Supporting services



Soil formation
Provision of raw materials
Nutrient cycling
Waste management
Pollination
Primary production



Level 1

- **One day workshop focussed on identifying opportunities threats and potential solutions**
- 2.5 days (1 to set up, 1 to run, 0.5 to write up)

Level 2

- **Initial consideration of environmental relationships for opportunities and threats**
- Meeting with key experts and representatives for each environmental relationship (0.5 days per relationship)
- Final workshop (2.5 days - 1 to set up, 1 to run, 0.5 to write up)
- Another 25 days work - approx £10K if using consultants

Level 3

- **Detailed consideration of environmental relationships for opportunities and threats**
- Detailed data collection and analysis on environmental relationships (3 days per relationship)
- Ranking of opportunities and threats
- Final workshop (2.5 days - 1 to set up, 1 to run, 0.5 to write up)
- Up to another 50 days work - up to another £20K if using consultants

4) The story so far

- 10 LEPs have run Level 1 workshops
- Gloucestershire is running Level 2
- New Anglia has run Level 1-3
- A further 3 Level 1 workshops are planned/expected



Where next

- Delivery of the SEPs and SIFs
- Use of the toolkit to develop tactical solutions as programmes and projects are developed



Finding out more

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