# Overview of CLLD in Scotland

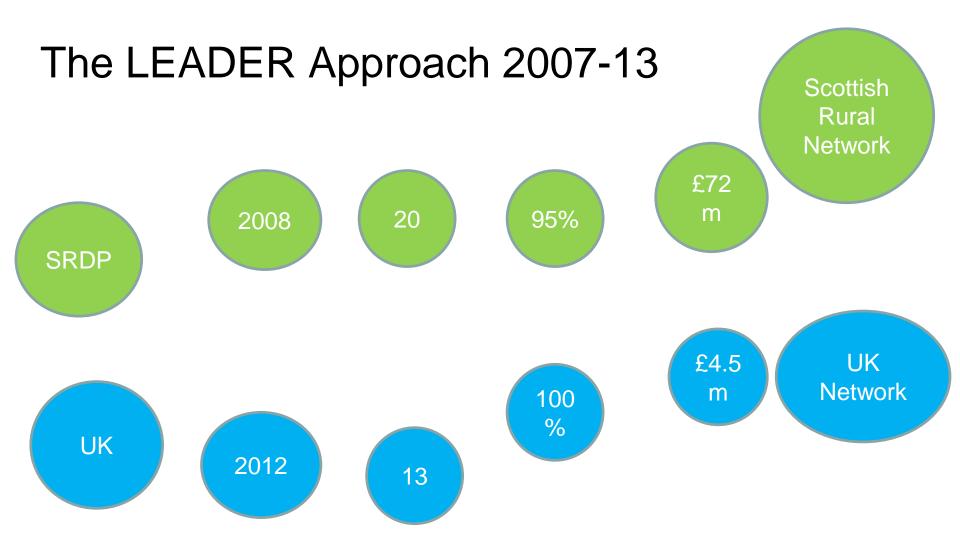
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# Reflections on 2007-13...

- Lack of clarity in LDSs, lack of clear guidance/support for LDS prep
- Confusion about what funds can fund
- Same stakeholders involved...low fisheries participation.
- Local municipalities role...too strong?
- Do we get the LEADER approach do we see the value of CLLD?



### LEADER 2014-20

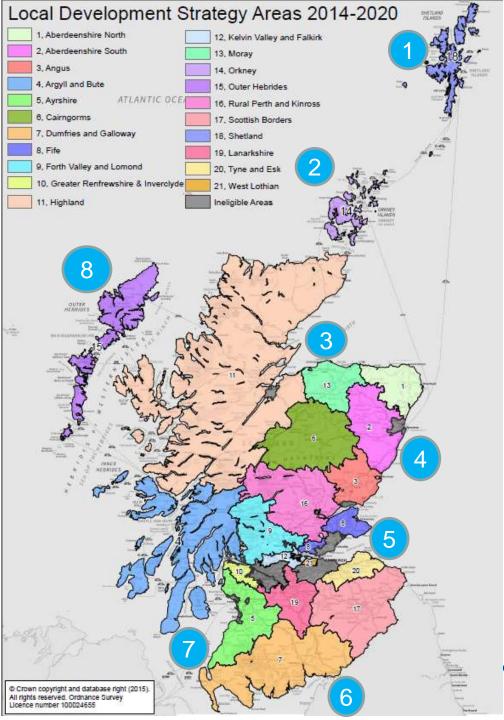
- Built on foundations laid by on outputs of Focus Group 4, LEADER Working Group, Peer to Peer exchanges.
- Agreed to a multi funded approach, EMFF & EAFRD
- Greater coherence, greater focus, stronger governance:
  - One area, one LDS
  - One area, one partnership
  - Independent Chair, separation from lead partner
  - Clear about when to use funds
- MA more enabling, proportionate, clearer, and simpler guidance/systems to support implementation.



### A Process...

- Expressions of Interest Summer 2013
- Invitation to prepare LDS December 2013
- Submission of 1<sup>st</sup> Draft Spring 2014
- Submission of final draft Sept 2014
- Panel 'approval' November 2014
- Sign off...2015





### **LEADER 2014-20**

21 LDS 14 EMFF + EAFRD 21 LAGs 8 FLAGs

£86 million EAFRD/SG

(+ c£6million EMFF/SG)

#### The Scottish Government

# So how are we doing on multifunding?

 Coherent multi funded LDSs with strong links to ESF/ERDF

- Organisational culture/behaviour
- Support for LDS implementation
- Harmonisation + simplification of rules governing implementation of CLLD.



# Reviewing EFF to Improve EMFF

- Commissioned Internal review Jan 2014
  - Does MS want CLLD to be the focus for delivering FMFF?
  - If, so what are the key features to ensure delivery?
- Commissioned external review DEFRA on-going
  - Process review UK
  - Impact and economic evaluation of funded projects
  - Costed recommendations of monitoring and evaluation



#### Marine Scotland Science

The Role of Community-Led Local Development in the Delivery of European Fisheries Grant Funds

Marine Scotland Analytical Unit January 2014



# Challenges with EFF

- Confusion around objectives major challenge for launching the fund
  - Fishing or communities? more prevalent in large fishing area
  - CLLD differs to other funds stakeholders found that challenging
- Size of funds
  - Meeting stakeholders expectations and our objectives
  - Can we integrate to get business buy in?
- Administrative burden
  - Audit trail discourages cottage industry and micro enterprise the target of CLLD
- Innovative projects less likely to be funded due to project risk

### **Positive Outcomes**

- Scottish FLAGs have a better understanding of the capacity of CLLD
- Desire to expand networks and develop more ambitious and innovative projects
- The desire to integrate funds has been listened too

# Challenges for EMFF

- Confusion at a stakeholder level
  - Clear communication/guidance on individual fund objectives and getting application to breakdown these elements for multiple applications
    - conflicting interpretation between diverse partners in FLAGS/LAGs how will this work in a world of integrated funds?
    - problematic in the UK given EMFF, unlike the other funds is not devolved
- Evaluating the effectiveness of individual funds in achieving their objectives given integration
  - 'Evidence' to evaluate success of innovative and expansive projects within a multi-funded framework
    - what elements contributes to what fund and what objective?
    - how do we get 'bottom-up community' lead projects that meet our objectives?

# Thank you for your attention!

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