

Bus Transport Select Committee

Biography

Keith Harrison

Chief Executive of Action with Communities in Rural Kent (ACRK)

Keith Harrison is the Chief Executive of Action with Communities in Rural Kent (ACRK), a charity created in 1923 that today provides information, training, project planning guidance, supply chain development and networking opportunities for between 400 and 500 community-led projects each year. Working principally in the field of rural community-led economic development, since 2011/12 ACRK's activities helped create or secure over 850 jobs, enabled development of over £23million of affordable housing and aided in the safe and legal operation of more than 500 enterprises (including over 300 of the county's village halls.)

Keith is a member both of the Defra-convened Rural Development Programme for England 2014-20 Monitoring Committee and the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy / Department for Work & Pensions-convened Growth Programme Board, and a Fellow of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures & Commerce (RSA.)