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[CPRE Report: Reviving county farms](#)



[Friday before Christmas busiest day for cash withdrawals at Post Offices](#)



[Rural Related Politics - An RSN weekly review](#)



This [newsletter](#) on rural health is provided for the RSN and the Rural Health and Care Alliance

It includes a roundup of rural health news, research, learning and best practice. If you have any information you wish to share with other members of the Alliance or case studies that you think others would benefit from, please [let us know!](#)



Christmas weight loss. [Read on...](#)

In this edition of [Hinterland](#):

Potholes, fly-tippers and rogue landlords on the negative side of the account; almshouses and rural cosmopolitans on the plus side and a reminder that sadly, there is no easy route to post



On 1st March 2019, the Rural Services Network launched a campaign calling on the Government to develop a Rural Strategy.

We are asking members to support this call by signing a petition [here](#)

Additional Information:

- [Further details about the campaign](#)
- [Supporters of the campaign](#)
- [RSN template report 'Time for a Rural Strategy'](#)
- [Summary of the 'Rural England – A different place demands a different strategy' event](#)

WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK AT RSN HQ!

Happy New Year to all our members! We've got a busy year planned for 2020 and we look forward to engaging with you all

Within the [Performance Benchmarking](#) section the **Recycling and Waste analysis** has been updated with 2018/19 data. These analyses can be accessed [HERE](#) and provide benchmarking on Residual Waste per Household, Household Waste Sent for Reuse, Recycling or Composting, Collected Household Waste per Person, and Municipal Waste Sent to Landfill.

The **Member Insights** section continues to take shape with the addition of a new analysis: [Excess winter mortality \(1991/92 to 2017/18\)](#). The Member Insights section will continue to be added to over the coming months and into the new year, and the full selection of analyses can be found at [HERE](#)

LATEST RESEARCH & COMMENTARY



What does integrated care mean for rural communities?

Public spending on health care is driven by the needs of the population, the resources available and national priorities. Health services are facing unprecedented financial and operational pressures, with many NHS organisations in deficit and key performance standards missed. Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) are bringing together NHS organisations and Local Authorities to work in partnership to improve health and care in their area. NHS England has acknowledged that transitioning to ICSs is 'complex', requires a 'staged implementation' and they make take several years to fully form. What are ICSs, how are they developing, and what do they mean for rural residents? *Jessica Sellick investigates.*

- Read the full article [here](#)



The **latest** edition of the **Funding Digest** can be viewed [here](#)
Looking for funding for your local project or community group? This monthly bulletin includes links to various sources of grant funding that you may be able to access!



Read the **latest RSN suggested draft responses** for key rural consultations and view the latest Government Consultations that may be relevant to rural communities [here](#)



The Rural Observatory - provides analysis, facts, figures and commentary impacting upon rural communities
Visit the Rural Observatory [here](#)



Find out about our campaign for fairer funding for rural areas [here](#)
This includes our work on the Local Government Finance Settlement

EVENTS & MEETINGS

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Public Sector Funding, Barriers to Access, Future of Rural Areas, Health and Wellbeing



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