



Harris Centre Regional Workshop

In partnership with the
Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board

Venue: College of the North Atlantic, Seal Cove Campus
April 15, 2011; 8:30am – 4:00pm

Agenda	
8:30 am	Registration Continental breakfast (<i>Provided by the Harris Centre</i>)
9:00 – 9:08 (8 mins)	Welcomes and Outline of the Day: Dr. Rob Greenwood, Director, <i>Harris Centre</i>
9:10 – 9:25 (15 mins)	The Role of Memorial in Regional Development, Dr. Chris Loomis, VP Research, <i>Memorial University</i>
9:25 – 9:40 (15 mins)	Follow-up process for new opportunities, Bojan Fürst, Manager of Knowledge Mobilization, <i>Harris Centre</i>
9:40 – 9:50 (10 mins)	Memorial Overview of current projects, Mike Clair, Associate Director (Public Policy), <i>Harris Centre</i>
9:50-10:00 (10 mins)	Marine Institute projects in the region, Ron Newhook, Marine Institute
10:05 – 10:20 (15 mins)	Refreshment break
10:20 – 10:40 (20 mins)	Zone 19 priorities, Christine Snow, Executive Director, NEARDB

<p>10:40 – 12:00 (1hr 20mins)</p>	<p>Parallel sessions: current Memorial activities in the region</p> <p>Participants will discuss current activities in the region and discuss various Memorial departments/centres in break-out groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community infrastructure and transportation Facilitator: Rob Greenwood, Harris Centre Note taker: Lindsey Hewitt, NEARDB • Innovation and technology development Facilitator: Bojan Fürst, Harris Centre Note taker: Greg Knott, NEARDB • Labour market and demographic change Facilitator: Mike Clair, Harris Centre Note taker: Maureen Foley, NEARDB
<p>12:00 – 12:45</p>	<p>Lunch (<i>Provided by the Harris Centre</i>)</p> <p>Presentation on the Northeast Avalon initiative: <i>Buy Local! Buy Fresh!</i></p>
<p>12:45 – 2:15 (1hr 30mins)</p>	<p>Parallel Sessions: New Opportunities</p> <p>(Discussion of potential new opportunities for collaboration based on regional priorities)</p> <p>Note-takers: write down each opportunity identified, a brief description, its champion, and any partners. This information will be used later to enter the opportunity into www.yaffle.ca</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community infrastructure and transportation Facilitator: Rob Greenwood, Harris Centre Note taker: Lindsey Hewitt, NEARDB • Innovation and technology development Facilitator: Bojan Fürst, Harris Centre Note taker: Greg Knott, NEARDB • Labour market and demographic change Facilitator: Mike Clair, Harris Centre Note taker: Maureen Foley, NEARDB
<p>2:15 – 2:40 (25 mins)</p>	<p>Refreshment Break and Group Conclusion</p>
<p>2:40 – 4:00 (1hr 20 mins)</p>	<p>Report back/wrap-up/next steps (Facilitator: Rob Greenwood, Harris Centre)</p>

Themes:

- **Community infrastructure and transportation**

- Municipal infrastructure (ex. roads, bridges, systems); water quality; business coalition and/or provincial transportation boards lobbying for a sustainable transportation plan; alternative forms of transportation; commuter transportation in the region; public transit system for region and ridership issues; future of transportation in region.

- **Innovation & technology development**

- Alternative energy; small-scale energy for municipalities; marine industries and clusters; local viability to build national and international projects.

- **Labour market and demographic change**

- Attraction & retention; education issues; training issues; aging and changing demographics; rural/urban interaction; attitudes towards work in rural and urban areas; services and changing needs.

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