

SR21 **Torup**

Local Action Group & communities

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LAG Halsnæs-Gribskov: Local Action Group

Torup projects include village doctor, co-working spaces, shop, restaurant, bakery, alternative transport, common meeting house

Growth strategy aligns with EU's 2030 goals:

- Intelligent
- Sustainable
- Inclusive



 **Sykkeldkø**

LEADER

Liaison Entre Actions de
Développement de l'Économie
Rurale

18th EUROPEAN WEEK of
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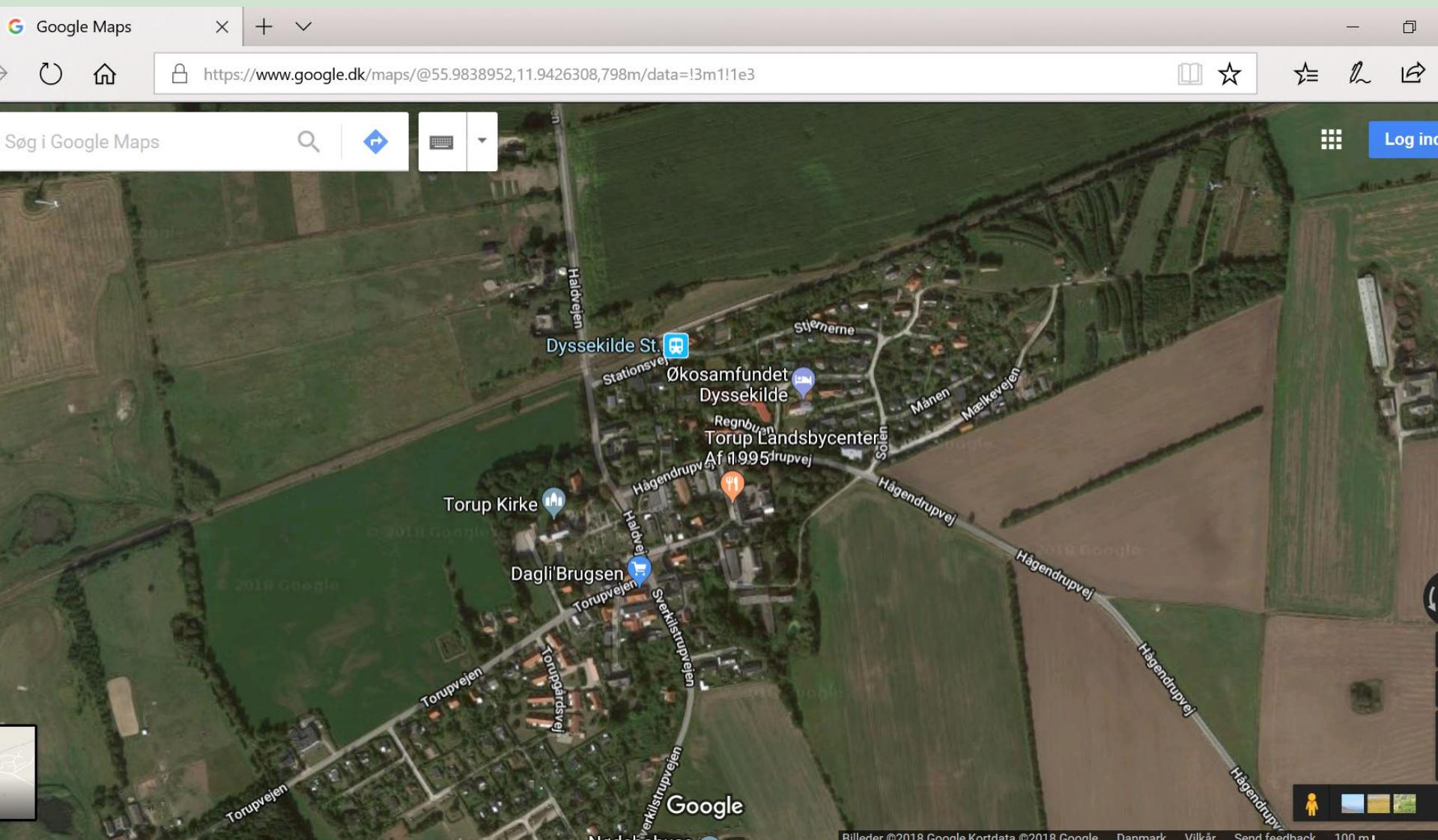


7 LEADER principles

[LEADER/CLLD explained | The European Network for Rural Development \(ENRD\) \(europa.eu\)](#)

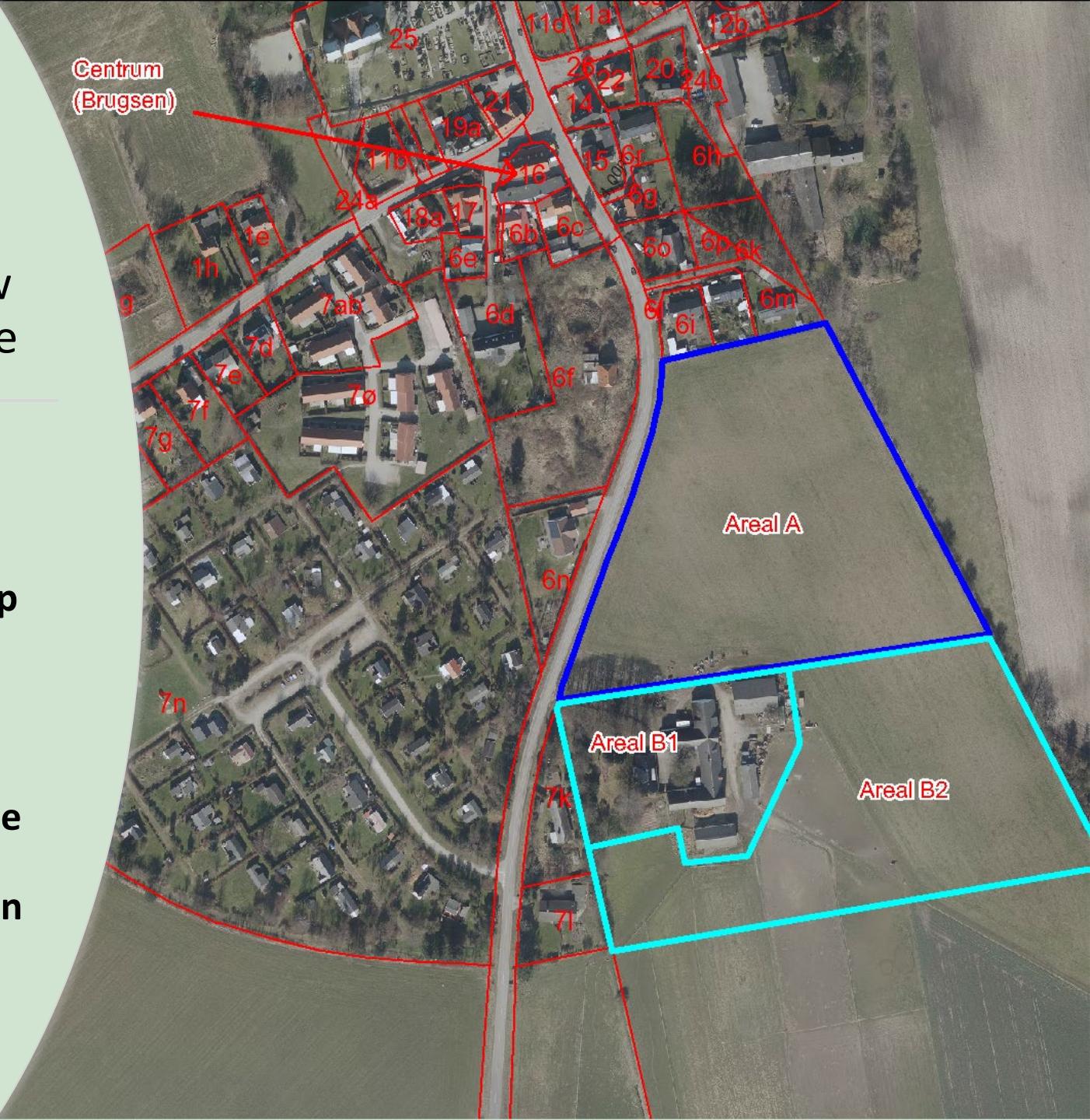
- Area-based: a small socially cohesive territory
- Bottom-up: local actors design strategy and choose the actions
- Public-private partnership: LAGs are balanced groups involving public and private-sector actors
- Innovation: introduce new ideas and methods
- Integration: between economic, social, cultural and environmental actions, as distinct from a sectoral approach
- Networking: learning among people, organisations and institutions at local, regional, national and European levels
- Co-operation: among LEADER groups, to share experiences

Railway station, school(s), kindergarten, COOP/stores, church, assembly hall, restaurant, baker, 2nd hand bookstores, open/people's university, music hall, music festival, doc films, climbing wall, farming, farmers' market, local council



Strategy & SR21: Hvideland, a New part of the Village

- 5 HA: 96 new homes = 250 newcomers
 - Initiated by Torup Ting (planning)
 - Driven by Torupfonden
 - Space for small enterprises/office space
 - New kindergarten



Creating a local fund

- Registered legal entity
- EUR 40.000 to create the ground capital
- Crowdfunding: 5 weeks
- Basis for bank-loan
- Security: building lots (2x48) + farm buildings
- Local planning
- Business spaces: 2 companies, so far



Building on
30 years' of
engaging
experience:
Ecovillage,
Torup



Engaging communities

Upcycling old buildings:
Dyssekilde Station





Dyssekilde Station restored (2011-12):
**private funds, crowdfunding,
Realdania, EU's Local Action Group +
voluntary work**

*Torup Bogby (2nd hand books), co-
working spaces (offices), Torup
Market (farmers' market), Dyssekilde
Stationshave (common garden), Sykkel
(alternative transport), Torup Repair
Cafe (recycling), Torup Cider*

Start-ups at Dyssekilde Station: Media Group (locals), Cider (local) Automation (Norway), Certification (USA)



Crowdfunding & civil society: bottom-up action



Rural life: all dressed up



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The Lark's Nest

Text: Harald Bergstedt (1921), translation John Irons. Mel: Carl Nielsen (1924)

A lark's nest I've discovered,
My lips are sealed quite tight.
On moorland it's well-covered
Completely out of sight.

Inside it chicks are sleeping
wrapped in a bed of down.
They wake and all start cheeping,
the nest is soft and warm.

The parent larks stay flying
close to the fledglings' nest.
I'm sure they sense I'm trying
to do what suits them best.

Hid by a sloe I'm straining
To where I am most near.
On tip-toe I stand craning,
I hold my breath and peer.

For boys will gather berries,
And foxes always bite.
But where the lark is serried
I'll keep well out of sight.



Jeg ved en lærkerede

Jeg ved en lærkerede
jeg siger ikke mer;
den findes på en hede
et sted, som ingen ser.

I reden er der unger
og ungerne har dun.
De pipper, de har tunger,
og reden er så lun.

Og de to gamle lærker,
de flyver tæt omkring.
Jeg tænker nok, de mærker,
jeg gør dem ingenting.

Jeg lurer bag en slåen.
Dér står jeg ganske nær
Jeg rækker mig på tåen
og holder på mit vej.

For ræven han vil bide
og drengen samle bær.
Men ingen skal få vide,
hvor lærkereden er.

