

Mobility, equity and growth in rural Africa: The Africa Community Access research programme

The Africa Community Access Programme (AFCAP) aims to promote equitable growth across rural Africa by addressing the challenges of improving mobility for poor rural communities to access services and opportunities.

- There is an interaction between limited and difficult mobility for rural communities across Africa and reduced economic growth opportunities.
- Limited and difficult mobility for communities in rural Africa appears to negate the benefits from investments in other sectors that are important to improving and sustaining livelihoods.
- AFCAP is a DFID-funded research programme that will facilitate improving rural mobility.
- AFCAP will support a portfolio of research, demonstration, advisory and training projects, which will promote solutions for rural access that maximise the use of local resources, enhance economic growth and improve livelihoods.
- AFCAP will target a small number of African countries and work closely with infrastructure programmes funded by national governments and other donors to inform national transport policies and poverty reduction strategies.

AFCAP will target those involved in making resource allocation decisions for economic growth, those responsible for delivering mobility in rural areas and communities seeking to develop.



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