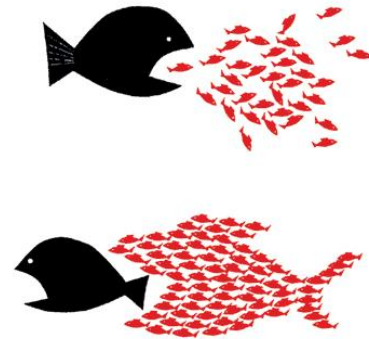


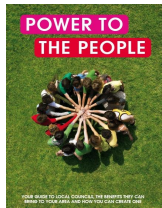


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A Community Led Plan can help your neighbourhood...



PLEASE JOIN YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND FRIENDS!
SHARE YOUR DREAMS
BUILD A VISION
SHAPE OUR FUTURE

- Influence local change
- Get its voice heard
- Grow stronger and more cohesive
- Become more sustainable
- Provide more focused services at a local level
- Become energised



The 9 step process

1. Get people interested, gather support
2. Set up a group to lead on the process that represents your community
3. Work out what you will do over the next 12-18 months
4. Use fun and exciting ways to involve people and collect their ideas
5. Form groups to develop actions
6. Share your first draft with the community and others
7. Celebrate publishing your plan
8. Use your plan to influence others and take action
9. Regularly review, update and feedback

Your community has a future –be part of it!

“Every problem has in it the seeds of its own solution. If you don’t have any problems, you don’t get any seeds.” –Norman Vincent Peale.

The Problem: Reduced services
The solution: Community engagement?



Community Led Plans are:

- about place –spatial, social, economic and environmental
- produced by and for a community (over 12 -18 months)
- grounded in thorough research and consultation organised by the community itself
- create a shared vision for the future of the whole community
- about local people contributing their own efforts to bringing about that vision
- about communities making links with organisations that can provide them with practical help and guidance

Create a shared, progressive vision for your community that will attract investment of all kinds.



•Investors in community projects recognise that no one is better positioned to understand the needs, issues and ambition of a local community than the people who are part of it.

•Community Led Plan groups become credible enough to attract investment, not because of the committees they sit on, nor by who they claim to represent, but what they actually do.

What level of support do you need?

In the South East of England region, 231 communities created Community Led Plans that contained over 9,000 individual actions to improve their locality. 47% of the actions were able to be taken on by the community themselves without external support. Of the remainder, 34% required negotiation with public service providers to bring them to fruition.



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60,70 80% buy in from residents = value solutions



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Establishing a Steering Group



The group should be made up of between 8 to 15 people and be representative of a cross-section of the community including a wide variety of residents such as councillors (max 3), community hall committee member, representatives from local groups/ clubs / societies, the local vicar, head teacher or school governor, business owners (shops/pub etc), as well as local residents.

Local government and planning landscape will change considerably in the next 12 to 18 months.

Neighbourhood plans: Local people will be given new rights to shape the development of the communities in which they live.

Assets of Community Value: Allows a community group to 'list' a site which they consider to be delivering a valuable service or public facility.



"Never doubt that a small, group of thoughtful committed citizens can change a community. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead.

