



Community Led Planning: what it is, how it fits into a Neighbourhood Plan, & how to do it

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Introduction to Community Led Planning

- Playing a key role in improving your community
- Creating partnerships to get things done
- Building a picture of the important issues
- Influencing strategic planning and development
- Improving services for local people
- Attracting funding for projects
- Increasing civic pride in your community

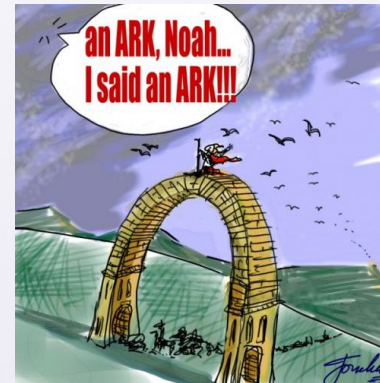


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The fit with Neighbourhood Planning?

- Very similar approaches - You don't need to start again!



- Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders are optional and you may feel you don't require any



Key steps

- Context - Community Led Neighbourhood Planning Process
- Evidence
- Drafting the NDP
- Agreeing an action plan
- Delivery and monitoring



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Areas to consider

- Partnership set up
- Evidence analysis / Setting objectives
- Finances and funding
- Engaging the community
- Skills audit / training needs
- New opportunities



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Practical Exercise

Use your experiences in your own community, to think about the steps you need to take to complete a Town Action Plan.

Consider:

- How could the local authority / other partners help at this stage?
- Additional skills/ training needed?
- Any funding required? Where might this come from?
- Links to statutory planning? – the core strategy and towards preparing a Neighbourhood Plan



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AMT – Here to help

- Our MOT
- Town Action Planning Framework
- Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Making the Most of Community Led Planning
- Improve your skills and learn from best practice



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