

# TAKE STOCK AND PLAN AHEAD DO A COMMUNITY REVIEW













We are facing increasingly complex challenges in our communities. You and your fellow residents are no doubt having conversations about how you can sustain as well as strengthen existing community-led activities and services, including in response to Covid-19.

Strengthening grassroots relationships and solidarity, increasing mutual support, and working better together helps us meet current and future challenges. Yet in the midst of doing so much fantastic work, it can be difficult to find time to step back and take stock.

### A COMMUNITY-LED REVIEW HELPS YOU TO:

Find out what's needed



Set out what needs to be done



### This FREE offer includes:

- A 'Community Needs' Survey template
- Guidance with tailoring a survey
- Survey analysis, reporting, and recommendations
- Facilitation of (online) discussions
- Help with pulling together a 'Next Steps Roadmap'
- Resourcing and training in active listening and reflective practise

There is no one-size fits all approach to Community Reviews. We can discuss what works best for your community and design the most effective support package.



### BENEFITS OF UNDERTAKING A COMMUNITY REVIEW

#### Giving a voice to the community

Enabling and encouraging all ages, from all households, to share their current and future concerns, needs, and ideas.

#### Getting more people involved

Going beyond the usual suspects encouraging participation in follow-up discussions and planning what's needed.

### Strengthening community spirit and solidarity

New connections and conversations: good things follow when people come together!

### Making things happen

Everyone has something to give – bringing people together in projects to achieve what's needed.

### Making it last

Community-led projects meeting locallyidentified needs are much more likely to put down long-term roots.

A Community Review can be a 'deep dive' into what's needed or something much more light-touch and targeted – we'll support you in the way that works best for you.









## WHAT ARE PEOPLE SAYING ABOUT DOING A COMMUNITY REVIEW?

"It was a useful process to think about who the key village organisations and folk are and to have someone to guide and organise us all." **COMMUNITY HELP HUB ORGANISER** 

"The CFO questionnaire has provided a helpful opportunity for community organisations to come together and offer their insights. We hope that the those who have joined together in this process will continue to work together and support one another in responding to particular needs." **PARISH PRIEST** 

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