

## **Workshop 4**

### **How can local authorities make us happy?**

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Key Comments on presentation

Emotional resilience programme for 16-19 year olds.  
Measuring well-being at the local level = not a deficit based model.

Kevin – Who do you contact in LA's?

- Chief Executive and assistant CE
- Team leader in Neighbourhood Team
- Operational Team Leader
- Head person from SG in the LA
- Work across the LSP as well – LA take the lead on that

How does it fit with Joint Strategic Leadership Programme?

- Being co-ordinated by the LAs
- Promoting working between 3x LA's as well

Linked to LAA; measurement strand linked to LAA's and place shaping survey

- NEET indicators and extra suggestions from each LA
- Older people – increasing engagement
- More info on the website about how the extra suggestions have been taken on board

Can you work with any extra LA's?

- Not as the Young Foundation, but the partnership supports this to an extent
- Navigating through "toolkit"= consultancy
- Some leadership from those LA's that have gone though it already
- Rolling out the work across the 7 strands

Local wellbeing can we measure it?

- Tried it out with 3 LA's Place shaping useful survey
- Also tried it with Nicola from NEF
- Only specific data on wellbeing
- Real data will take 3 to 4 years to emerge

Barriers – timelines involved take a long time. Evidence based approach

- Resources
- Common agenda – capacity building around how this is relevant to area leads, neighbourhood team

Opportunities – tying up with LA's, LAA's and place shaping survey

- Lets be creative about some of the policy priorities
- Local support? Top down approaches
- Bottom up approaches – go through IDEa

What further support would be useful?

- Which communities of practice? Each of the 7 strands on IDeA
- Reports to support the evidence base to enable people to go to their Chief Executives
- Neighbourhood, measurement and empowerment reports online at the moment – Partnering one in the summer
- Will circulate Marcia's evidence base around wellnet
- Newsletter to demonstrate what's happening within each of the 3 LA's
  
- Making people proud of their neighbourhood and closing the gap between age and gender etc.
- Chief Executive; could champion this for others
- Value for money; qualitative evidence so far – quantitative next stage
- Resources online for upcoming events. Young Foundation and NEF
- Don't be too restrictive about definitions, as this allows more agencies to get involved
- Directors of public health are key as well-being is relevant to PCT

How can we work better together?

- active learning sets are ongoing
- parenting a good way in
- LSP's
- Good working between the PCT and LA where some strands are relevant to both agendas e.g. schools, emotional resilience
- Enfield; Joint Strategic Needs Assessment