



# PB Works Workshop 6 PB Champions Training to plan and support PB

Play Resource Centre, Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019





# Welcome and Introductions

## Dr Louise O’Kane, Community Places



# PB Works Project

- BCT: Civic Activism Programme
- Collaborative effort
- Raise awareness of and advocate for Participatory Budgeting (PB)
- Tailored Training and Support - working with PB Partners and Democratic Society
- PB Works Website [www.participatorybudgetingworks.org](http://www.participatorybudgetingworks.org)
- PB Works Network



## WHAT IS PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING

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FIND OUT MORE



[www.participatorybudgetingworks.org](http://www.participatorybudgetingworks.org)

## JOIN THE PB NETWORK

The PB Works Network is free and open to anyone who is interested in participatory budgeting.

Network members are invited to contribute their ideas, learning and enthusiasm to advancing PB across the region.

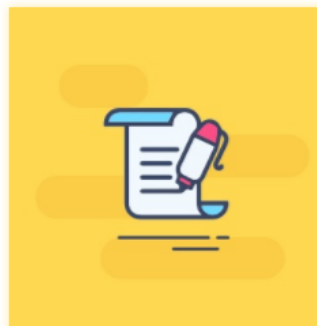
## BECOME A MEMBER

Having trouble with the form? Contact [louise@communityplaces.info](mailto:louise@communityplaces.info)

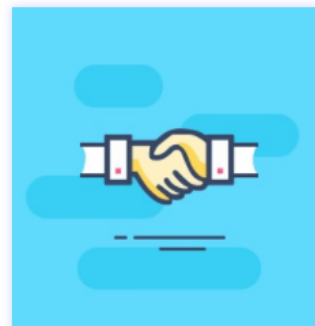
### HOW TO GET INVOLVED



GO TO AN EVENT



JOIN THE NETWORK



SUPPORT OR RESOURCING

# FIND OUT MORE RESOURCES

- ALL
- LINKS TO PB IN ACTION
- VIDEOS
- DOCUMENTS
- PB SUPPORT WEBSITES

LINKS TO PB IN ACTION

HOLYWELL STEW



VIDEO

YOUR VOICE, YOUR CHOICE



DOCUMENT

PB CASE STUDY

The City of Edinburgh Council and the Leith Partnership

PB SUPPORT WEBSITE

DUNDEE DECIDES

KATHLEEN GLAZIK  
POLICY HUB - SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

VIDEO

MAKING PEOPLE COUNT



DOCUMENT



VIDEO

TRIANGLE HOUSING ASSOCIATION VOTE FOR FUN



# Introduction to Participatory Budgeting

## Jez Hall, PB Partners



## PB PARTNERS

Independent social enterprise that is working to empower citizens

- Supporting new ways of doing PB
- Community engagement specialists



**PB Network:** Advocating for PB across the UK

[www.pbnetwork.org.uk](http://www.pbnetwork.org.uk) and supporting PB in Scotland



## The Scottish Context

*“the best people to decide the future of our communities ...*

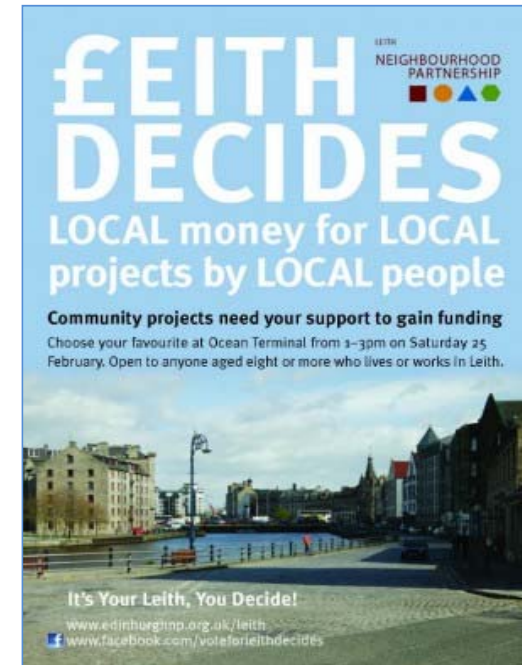
*are the people who live in those communities.”*





## Objectives of PB In Scotland

- Increase quality and quantity of community engagement (more deliberative, inclusive and transparent);
- Stimulate dialogue and positive action within communities;
- Increase trust in politics and in politicians;
- Encourage well targeted public investments.



## WHAT IS PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING?

‘PB directly involves local people in making decisions on the spending and priorities for a defined public budget.’

Or...

‘Local people deciding on how to allocate part of a public budget’

Or.....

*‘If it feels like we have decided ---- it’s PB.*

*If it feels like someone else has decided, it isn’t”*



## Connecting and complimenting existing democratic processes

- Only a small percentage of any public budget will be allocated using PB
- Formally mandated and ‘signed off’ at the top... .. but then the decision is ‘the communities’
- Supports:
  - Representative Democracy
  - Public Service Reform
  - Community Engagement



## UK PB MODELS

- Small grants allocation
  
- Mainstream Investment  
(e.g. the Scottish 1% commitment)
  
- Thematic Commissioning, community planning and programme development



# COMMUNITY LED FUNDING

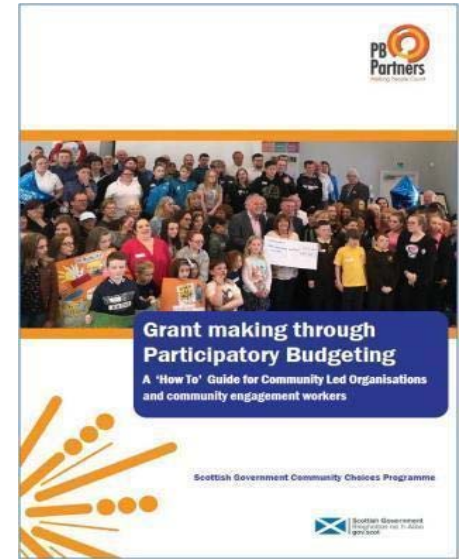
## Participatory Grant Making

A grants pot / initiative funding  
- community chest, etc

Bidders present proposals to residents,  
who vote on which to support

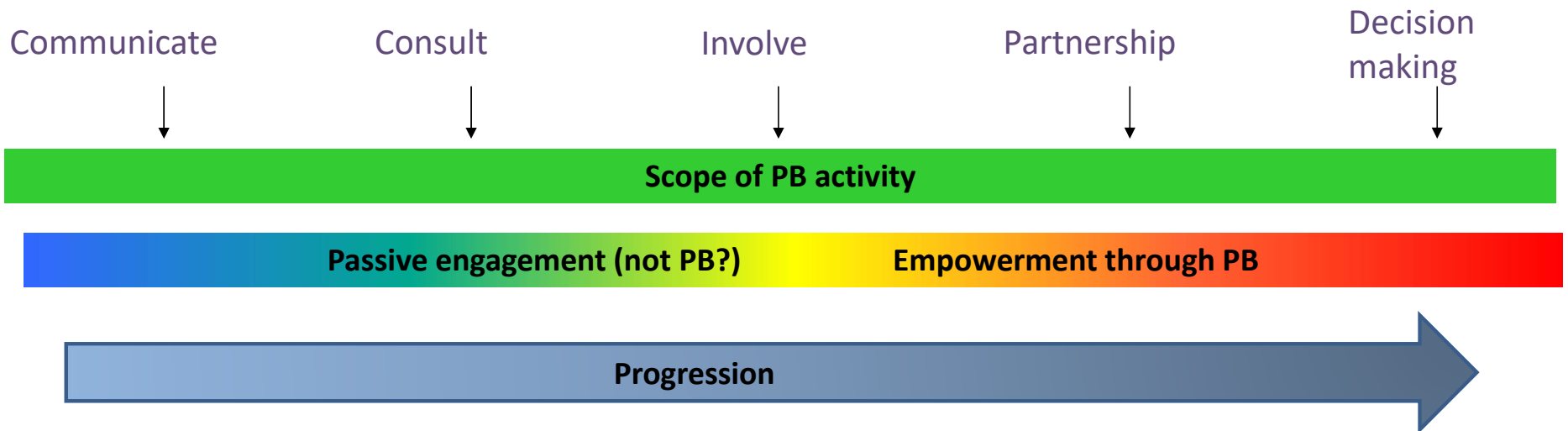
Limited impact on mainstream

Effective at engaging, networking  
and enthusing local people



# The Empowerment Line

PB works in different ways,  
but should be meaningful and  
change how money is spent

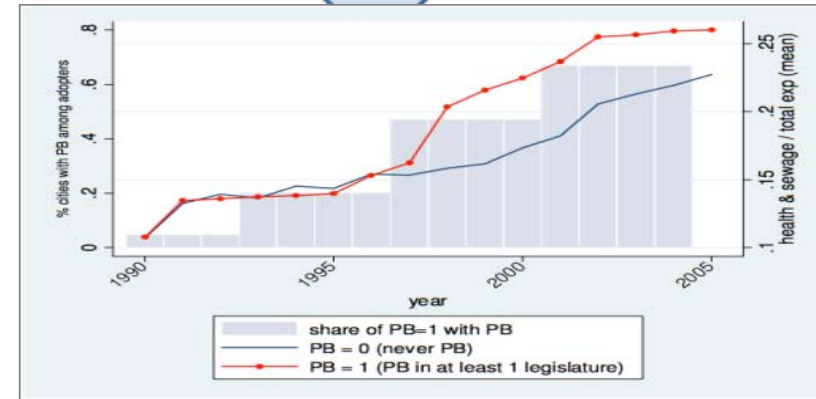
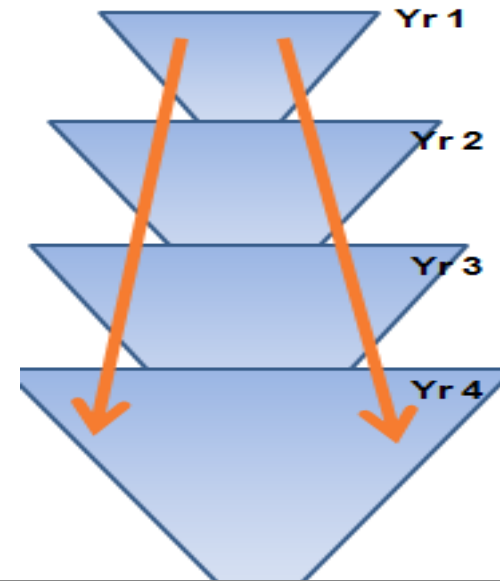
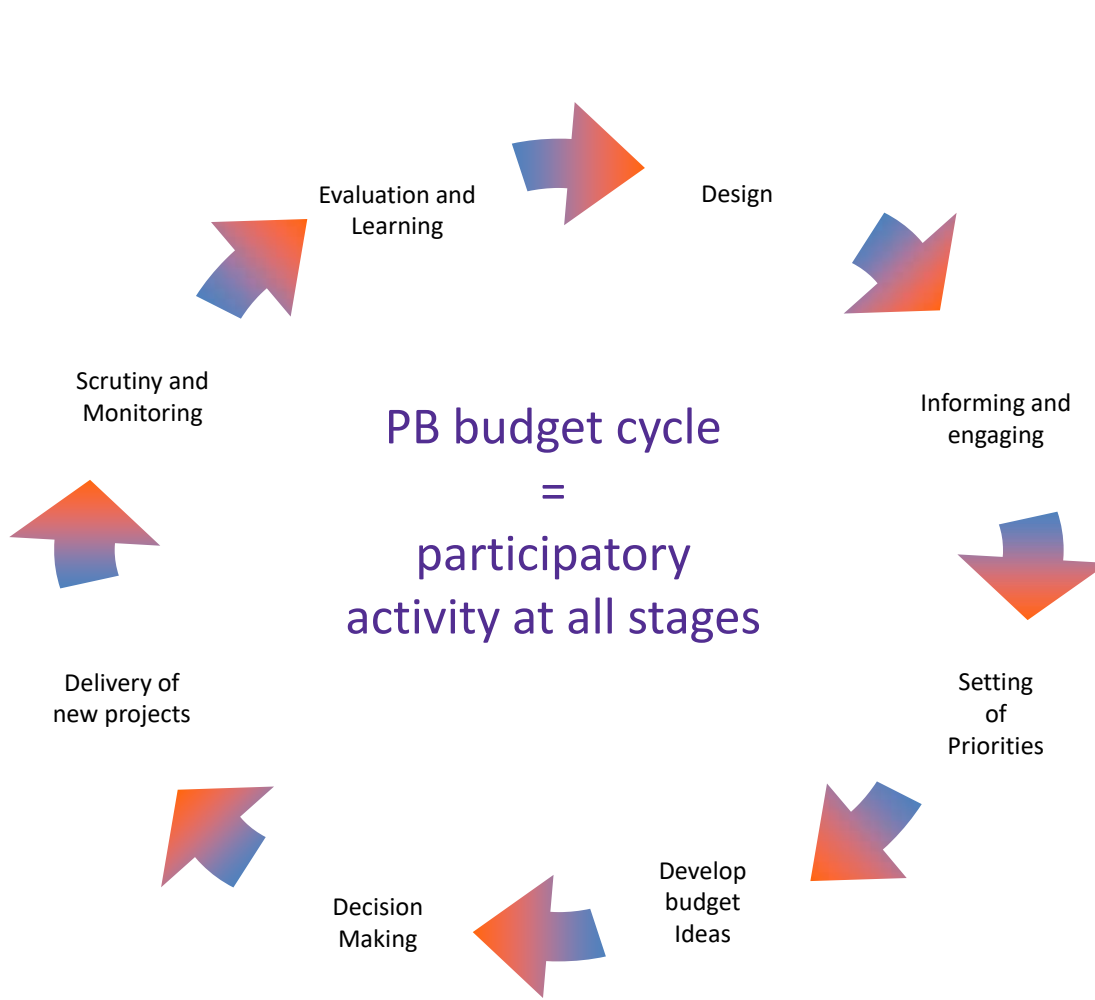


## MAINSTREAM PB – A NEW COMMUNITY CHARTER

### Localism in practice?

- Local Governance
- Widening of participation
- Co-production
- Rights AND Responsibilities

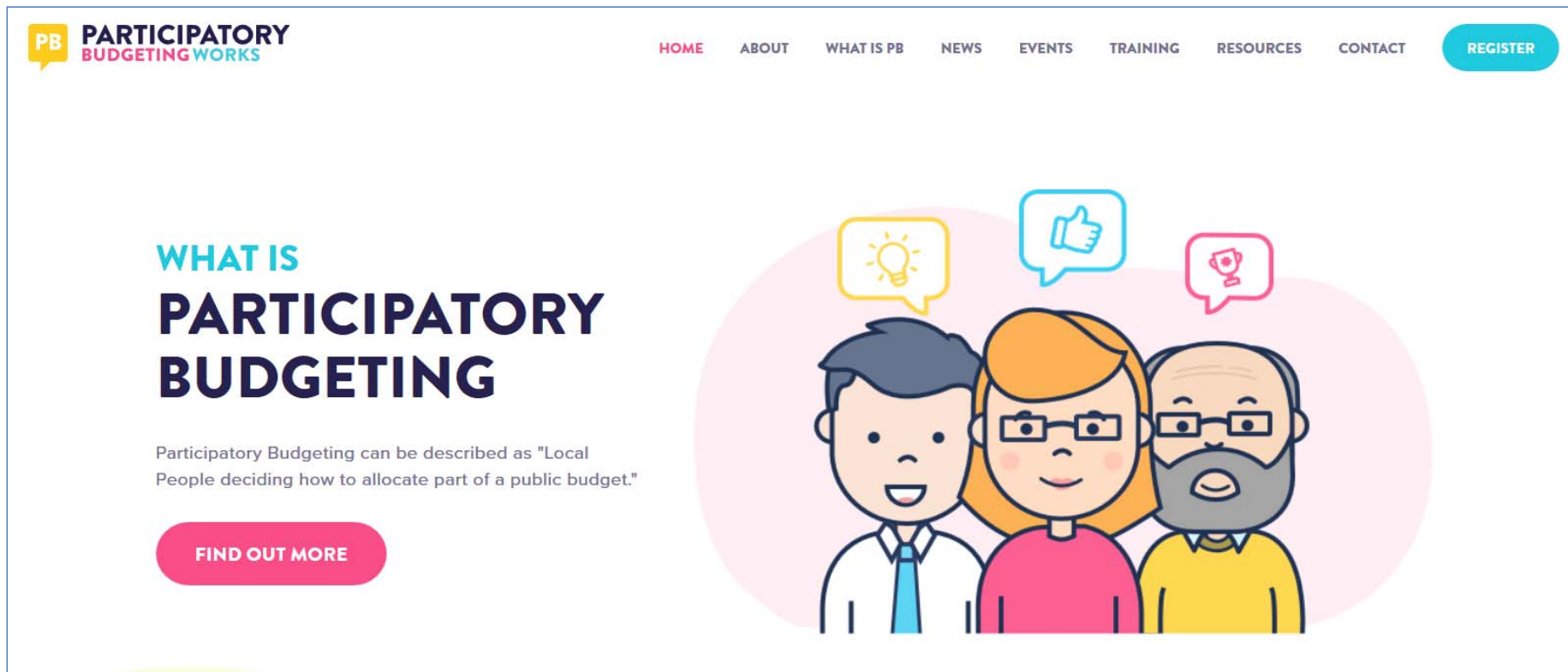






PB Resources:

PB works Website: [participatorybudgetingworks.org](https://participatorybudgetingworks.org)



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Participatory Budgeting Works website. The header includes a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT, WHAT IS PB, NEWS, EVENTS, TRAINING, RESOURCES, and CONTACT, along with a REGISTER button. The main content area features the title "WHAT IS PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING" and a description: "Participatory Budgeting can be described as 'Local People deciding how to allocate part of a public budget.'" Below the text is a "FIND OUT MORE" button. To the right is an illustration of three diverse people (a man, a woman, and a man) with speech bubbles above them containing icons for a lightbulb, a thumbs up, and a trophy.

**PB PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING WORKS**

HOME ABOUT WHAT IS PB NEWS EVENTS TRAINING RESOURCES CONTACT REGISTER

**WHAT IS PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING**


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PB Scotland Website: [www.pbscotland.scot](http://www.pbscotland.scot)

Learn about the Community Choices events happening near you in 2018 >>

 [Home](#) / [About](#) / [News](#) / [Network](#) / [Map](#) / [What Is PB...?](#) / [Contact](#)

**Welcome to PB Scotland** - The latest events, news & ideas on Participatory Budgeting in Scotland.

**Reports & ideas**  
See PB voting in action




**Community Choices events near you in 2018**

Community Choices funded events are taking place across the country during 2018. Catch up on everything that's happening.

**News**  
Read the latest


**Your Place, Your Priorities Event**



Stirling Council is delighted to announce a fund of £130,000 open now to community groups to deliver activities that will improve their community - DEADLINE for applications is 16 March 2018.

Mar 6, 2018

**Lots of PB happening in East Ayrshire!**



Vibrant Communities is supporting a number of PB events during 2018.

**About**  
What is PB?

**Participatory budgeting (PB)** is a way for people to have a direct say in how local money is spent.

**A 60-second guide to PB**

[Get started](#)

**Where is PB happening?**

PB Resources:

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The screenshot shows the PB Network website's resources page. At the top left is the PB Network logo, which includes a colorful pie chart and the text 'Making People Count' and 'PB Network'. To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT, NEWS, RESOURCES (highlighted in a blue button), and CONTACT. Below the navigation is the heading 'RESOURCES' with the sub-heading 'Learning through best practice'. The main content area features four resource cards, each with a thumbnail image and a title: 1. 'DOWNLOAD OUR INTRODUCTORY GUIDE TO PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING' with a thumbnail showing people at a table. 2. 'DOWNLOAD THE GUIDE ON GRANT MAKING GRANT MAKING THROUGH PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING' with a thumbnail showing a group of people. 3. 'DOWNLOAD THE BRIEFING ON PB AT SCALE MAINSTREAMING PB' with a thumbnail showing a group of people. 4. 'DOWNLOAD THE GUIDE TO EVALUATING PB HEAR THE VOICE MAKE THE CHANGE' with a thumbnail showing a group of people. To the right of the resource cards is a social media section with icons for Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube. Below that is a search bar labeled 'Search PB Network' with a magnifying glass icon. At the bottom right is a 'FIND BY SUBJECT' section with a blue header and a list of categories: Events, Geographic (England, International, Scotland, Wales), News, PB Network, Resources (Case Studies, Documents, Videos), Themes (Health, Housing, Neighbourhoods, Online PB, Policing, Young People).



## The 10 Steps to planning a PB grant making process Jez Hall, PB Partners



## PB SMALL GRANTS MODEL – KEY COMPONENTS 1

### Create a Steering/Planning Group

Including key stakeholders

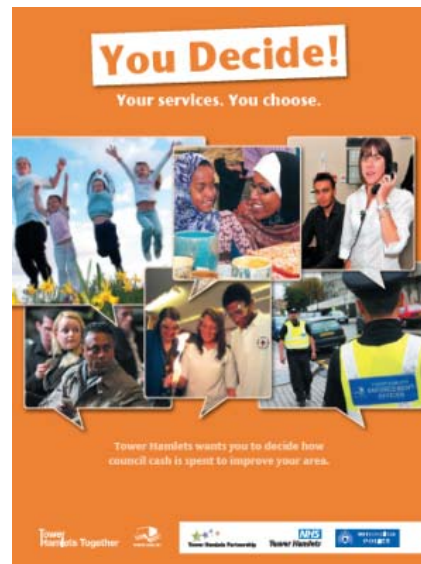
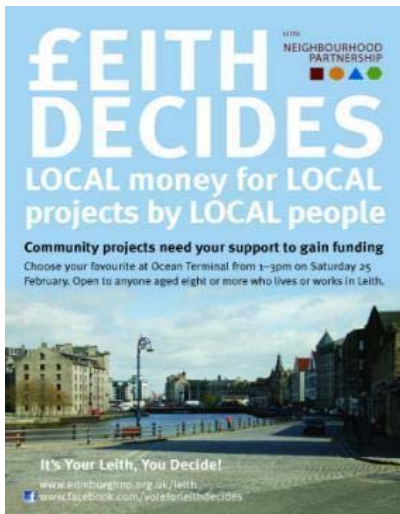
Role is to design  
and manage the process

And set the rules.



# KEY COMPONENTS - 2

## Develop Publicity Strategy and Brand Name



## KEY COMPONENTS - 3

### Agree priorities

Meet with as many members  
of the community  
as possible



Decide what matters to help..  
bidders to bid and...  
voters to choose where the money goes.

# KEY COMPONENTS - 4

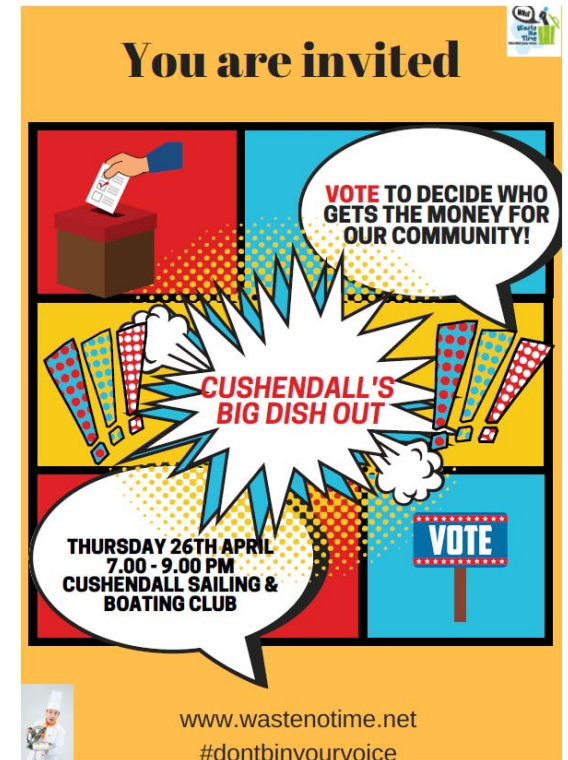
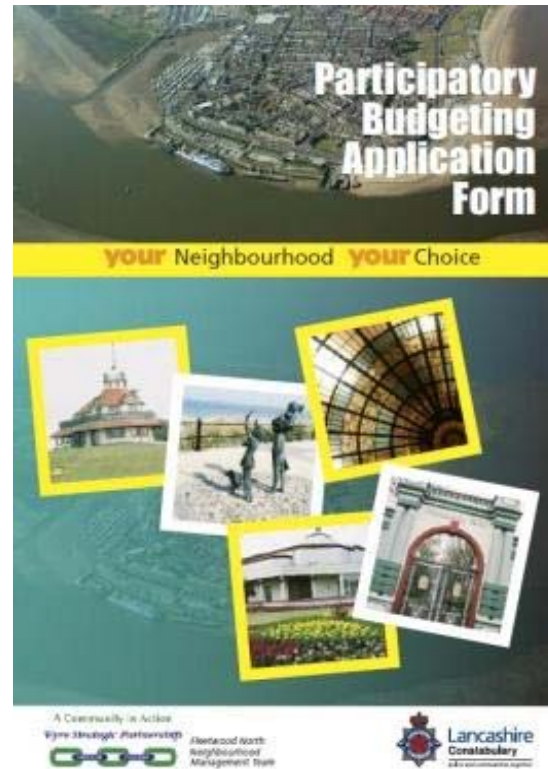
Inform and engage

Hold information events

Publicity

Networking

Social media





## KEY COMPONENTS – 5

### Receive and process applications

Keep applications forms simple

Allow enough time for people to bid

Hold a review meeting to check applications

Feed back to bidders to help them improve their bid

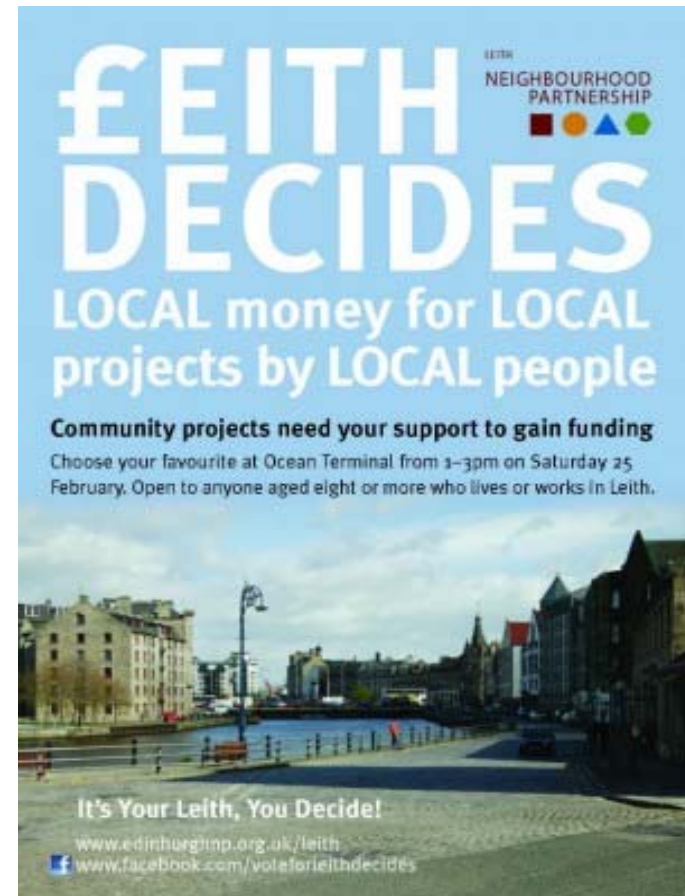


## KEY COMPONENTS – 6

### Hold the decision event

Invite residents and ‘Deliverers’  
to Decision Day

PR strategy to include effective  
ways of creating awareness and  
engaging service users





Date: 25th November 2006

Pay: **KEIGHLEY\***

Amount: One hundred and thirty thousand pounds only

**£130,000**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD  
RENEWAL FUND**

\*Funds will be distributed in the Brackenbank, Braithwaite/Guardhouse, Branshaw/Fell Lane, Eastwood, Hainworth/Parkwood, Highfield and Stockbridge areas of Keighley only



**BRADFORD  
VISION**

Your Local Strategic Partnership

## Doing anything on 25th November?

Can you spare half a day to decide how money should be spent to improve your neighbourhood?

Come along to **Decision Day** on  
**Saturday, 25th November**  
at the **Highfield Centre, Drewry Road,**  
**Keighley**

**Morning session: 9.30am-12.30pm**

Brackenbank, Branshaw/Fell Lane and  
Hainworth/Parkwood

**Lunch: 12.30pm-1.30pm**

**Afternoon session: 1.30pm-4.30pm**

Braithwaite/Guardhouse, Eastwood, Highfield and  
Stockbridge

### We provide:

- ♦ £130,000 and proposals on how to spend it (funds for Young People, Safer Communities, etc.)
- ♦ Free lunch and refreshments
- ♦ Free childcare
- ♦ Free transport

### You provide:

- ♦ Your local knowledge
- ♦ Your vote!

The projects with the most votes are the ones that get the money.

You decide. It's as simple as that!

**You will be receiving a letter giving further details shortly.**

For further information please telephone  
Bradford Vision on (01274) 433987.

## KEY COMPONENTS – 7

### Announce the results

Projects scoring highest receive funding.



Support those who don't

Inform the wider community of the outcome



## KEY COMPONENTS – 8

**Keep in touch with what happens next  
(its not just about funding)**

Successful projects get contracts

Monitoring guidelines established



## KEY COMPONENTS – 9

**Spread the word**  
**Report what has been achieved**

To..

- Residents/Service Users
- Public bodies
- Board members and Staff
- The whole community



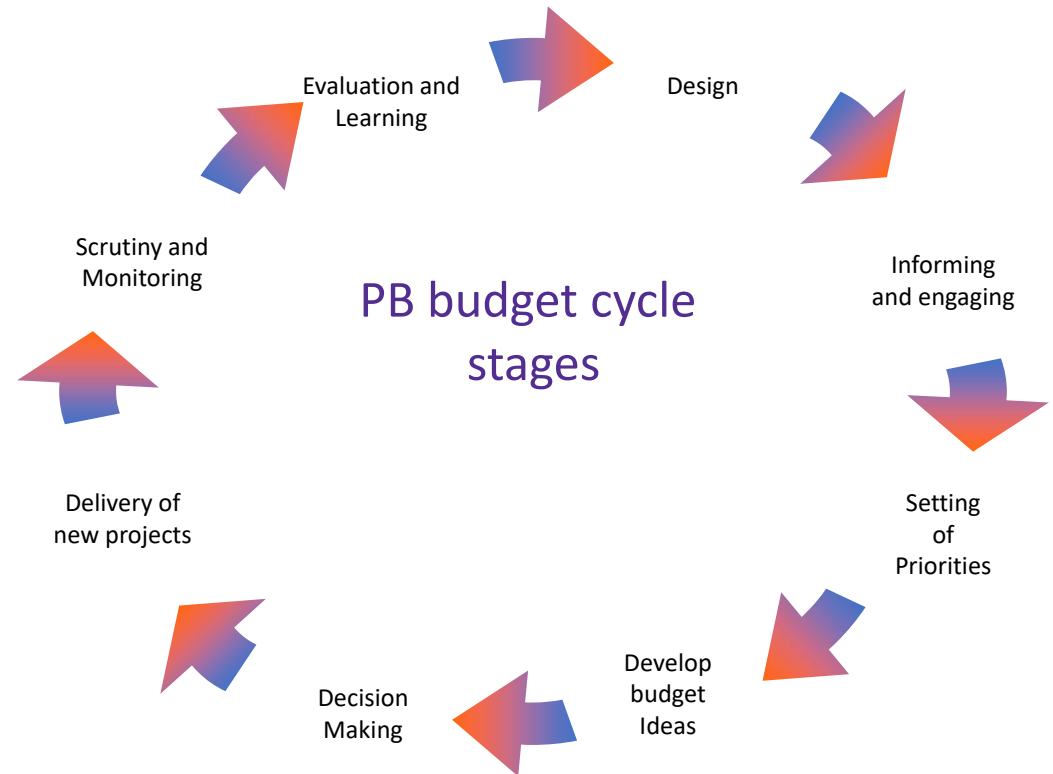
# KEY COMPONENTS – 10

Plan to repeat it

In Partnership

With your own funds?

Advocate to public bodies





**Next Event**

**Wednesday 19 June 2019**

**Sharing the Learning and Imagine Democracy You Decide Celebration Event – register via the website**

**[www.participatorybudgetingworks.org](http://www.participatorybudgetingworks.org)**







**Evaluation**  
**Thank-you for participating**

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