





APPROACH

To compliment and add to the already amazing organisations, projects and busy communities in Weymouth this Community Development Plan focuses on Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) incorporating a methodology exploring the continuation of sustainable development of communities built on their strengths and already strong potential. The aim is to compliment already thriving projects supporting them to continue ensuring their future sustainability whilst also identifying areas that require new ideas and support to expand and develop accordingly.

ABCD uses the community's own assets and resources of which Weymouth has many as the basis for further development; empowering people in communities by encouraging them to use what they already possess focusing on 'what's strong, not what's wrong'.

ABCD involves constant asset mapping, networking and relationship building. This is ongoing, continually focusing on community assets, abilities, skills, and strengths across Weymouth. By understanding our communities as a source of abundance comes the ability to put ABCD principles into practice by building the right supporting infrastructure. This enables a wider scope across the whole of Weymouth reaching all areas and promoting fair inclusion for all.



COMMUNITIES IN WEYMOUTH

Littlemoor
Lodmoor
Melcombe Regis
Preston
Radipole & Southill
Rodwell
Upwey & Broadway
(inc. Binscombe Park
& Nottington)
Westham East
Westham West
Wyke North
Wyke South

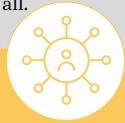


FOCUS AREAS

Identifying needs in all wards of Weymouth and providing support as required.

Current focus of targeted support

- Young people
- Older people
- Disabilities
- Community Groups
- Marginalised Groups



HOW TO SUPPORT

- Creating and supporting community networks
- Asset Mapping
 - Governance Support
- Volunteer Support
 - Funding Advice
- Community Connectors
- Business partnerships
- Core area in each ward
- Signposting



COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT

- Community database
- Networking
- Consultations
- Community Events
- WTC webpage
- Social media
- Asset mapping
- Signposting and support
- Noticeboards
- Regular reports to committees and Full Council