

A Partnership in Sites: learning continuous









Eight Touch Stones

OFinding a Circle of Connectors
ORecruiting a Community Animator
OHosting community conversations to
discover assets and what people care
about

OEngaging community groups and associations

OBuilding connections through social interaction and sharable opportunities
OVisioning and planning
OImplementing change (doing and reviewing)
OFostering celebration



Our UK Learning Sites

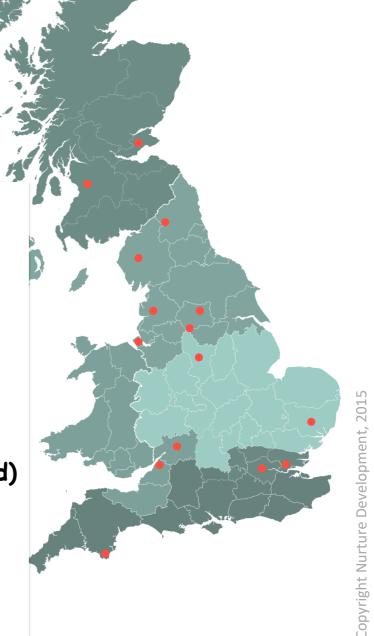
- Our Learning Sites in the UK include: Bristol, Croydon, Kirklees, Leeds, Gloucestershire, Thurrock, Lichfield, North West -Manchester, Wirral, South Ayrshire and Fife.
- Outside of the UK we have a strong presence in East Africa: Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan. We have also worked in South Africa and many other countries around the world.

What is a

Nurture Development Learning Site?

Neighbourhood areas that become local community-led examples of ABCD in action.

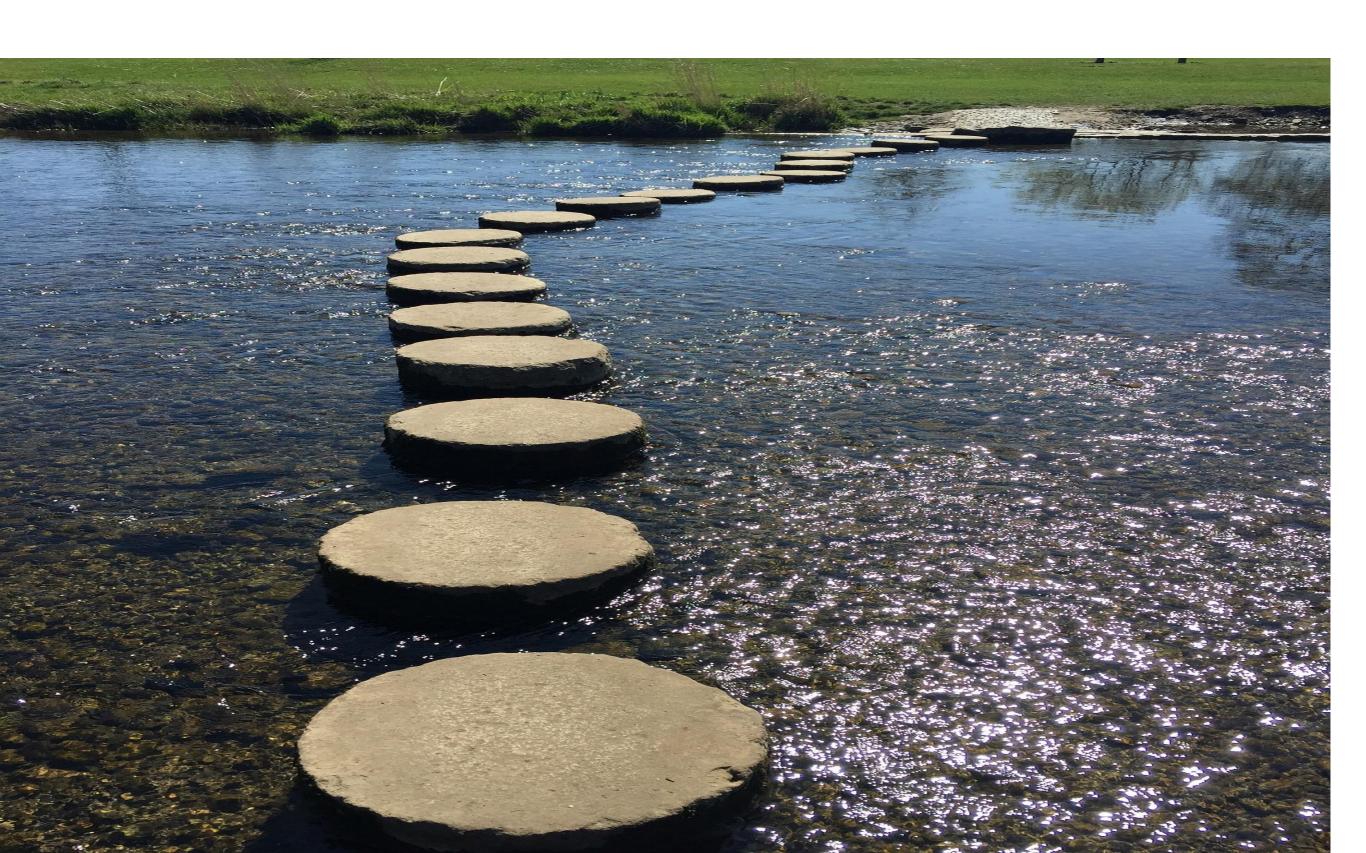
- Ayrshire & Arran
- 2. Bristol
- 3. Fife
- 4. Gloucestershire
- 5. Kirklees
- 6. Leeds
- 7. Lichfield
- 8. North West (Trafford)
- 9. Thurrock
- 10. Torbay
- 11. West Croydon
- 12. Wirral



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We don't mean this...



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Communities are complex, they demand continuous learning



Touch Stone 1: Finding a Community Connector circle

Start your Initiator group



The main protagonists:

- Leader someone that can bring people together to work on an issue
- · Gift Giver a person that is willing to contribute their asset to work on an issue.
- Invisible Person a person that has not yet been "discovered" or been convinced to use their assets to help achieve their dreams or address their concerns in the neighborhood.

The unsung hero!

- Community Connectors an individual that is good at discovering what people care about and where their assets can be used. Not a single issue person!
 - · Gift centered
 - · Well connected
 - · Trusted
 - · Believe they are welcome

Touch Stone 2: Recruiting a Community Animator



The Characteristics of Community Animator

- · A facilitator/includer
- · A community builder in their own life
- · A child-like curiosity/with an adult presence
- · Never does for others what they can do for themselves

Touch Stone 3: Hosting Conversations to Discover Assets and What People Care About.

Appreciating what's good about the community



What do people care about enough to work on?

Discovering, Mapping and Connecting

Touch Stone 4: Engaging Local Groups and Associations

e.g. Faith communities, sporting groups, environmental groups etc



Informal social networks

Do your map

Ask what else they want to do, who else they know who might be interested in an ideas fair?



CMap Jam



PARENTS GROUPS & SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS

- School governance groups
- Toddlers groups
- · Parents friendship groups

OTHER COMMUNITY & CIVIC GROUPS

- Cultural associations
- Service clubs

DOCKS

Voluntary services

HOBBIES AND SOCIAL CLUBS

Collectors groups

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- Artistic & musical groups
- Card playing groups

OTHER INFORMAL SOCIAL GROUPS

- · Pub quiz teams
- Supper clubs
- Dating clubs

WOMEN'S GROUPS

· Women's civic groups

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Feminist groups

GROUPS FOR OLDER PEOPLE

- Pensioners groups
- Veterans groups
- Lunch clubs

Associational

Life

Citizen organisations/groups/networks where members do the work and are not paid

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS

- Social cause groups
- Animal Welfare
- Conservation groups

GROUPS FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

- Youth organisations
- Youth Clubs
- After school clubs

LOCAL COMMUNITY & NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS

- Resident associations
- Community support groups
- Community media

POLITICAL GROUPS

Political party membership

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

· Business organisations

Professional associations

- Active citizenship
- On-line forums and discussion groups

MEN'S GROUPS

- Men's service groups
- Working Men's clubs
- Fathers support groups

ADULT EDUCATION GROUPS

- Study groups
- Book clubs
- Students union

RELIGIOUS GROUPS

- Practicing faith groups, churches, mosques etc.
- Faith based social, or voluntary services groups

SPORTS & EXERCISE GROUPS

- Official sports clubs
- Country clubs
- Local 5-a-side/skittles teams

HEALTH, DISABILITY & WELFARE GROUPS

Trade unions

- Support & recovery groups
- Health related support groups



Touch Stone 5: Building Connections Through Social Interaction Activities and Shareable Community Opportunities







Seed Swap

CRepair Cafe



Touch Stone 6: Visioning and Planning



3 Key Questions:

- 1 What can we do?
- 2 What do we need outside help with?
- 3 What do we need outside agencies to do for us?



Touch Stone 7-Implementing Change (Doing & Reviewing)



Touch Stone 8: Fostering Celebration







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