

Plan review feedback

The plan review allows your Big Local partnership to find out what you have achieved and the impact you have made, what's going well, what isn't going as planned, how things can be improved and what you have learned so far. It provides your partnership with an opportunity to reflect on progress and celebrate achievements. It draws together learning that can be used to help you plan for future years as well as success stories to share more widely in your Big Local area. The plan review is also a chance to share information with Local Trust, with residents in your Big Local area and with others involved in Big Local.

The focus of the feedback we are giving you now is on the review itself and the methods you used. We want to help you make the most of the opportunity the plan review gives you, so that you learn as much as you can.

We at Local Trust also use your plan review in the assessment process for future funding agreements for your area and we analyse reviews across areas to draw out learning and lessons from the programme as a whole. We share these findings with Big Local areas and others through future guidance, training and learning events.

Plan reviews are part of our research on Big Local and the more information you provide about how you are assessing what works and what doesn't and why, the easier it is for you to know what you are achieving, what is working and what you can do differently; and it is easier for us to improve the programme, develop and share learning and impact across Big Local areas and provide you and other Big Local areas with better support. This is why we value your plan review!

What we liked about your plan review

- This is an excellent review. You provided thorough information on all your priorities, reflecting on progress to date for each activity.
- The review was well balanced highlighting the successes, challenges and learning from the activities.
- Your use of pictures, supporting documents, external media, social media and videos added depth to the review.
- Your case studies are excellent. They demonstrated the impact of the different activities of Newington Big Local on individual members of the community.

What could make your review even better

- Continue to review your work please!
- It is great to see your work with the University of Brighton's Community 21. Other Big Local areas are doing similar work with universities - you can find two examples [here](#).
- Thank you for your contribution to one our [blogs](#). We are always looking for interesting stories to share so please continue to send them to us.

Resources you might find useful

We have a range of tools and templates on our website to help with plan reviews. We add to these from time to time, so please do take a look: [Local Trust - Reviewing your Big Local plan supporting documents](#).

If you have any questions or would like additional support related to your plan review, research or evaluating your Big Local activities, please contact:

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Please also send us any reports or data from research and evaluation you carry out in your area in between plan reviews. We are interested in what you find out and we want to share information and learning across areas.

Good luck and we look forward to receiving your next plan review!