

Community Engagement and Participation Strategy

Q1 Highlights

- A series of pre-consultation exercises were carried out throughout June as part of the development of our first ever Community Engagement and Participation Strategy, including meetings with key Voluntary and Community Sector partners.
- Our inaugural Community Network Event was held on 19 June, providing an opportunity for community organisations across the town to get together, network, and learn more about what the council is doing to support our local community groups.
- The draft strategy was approved for consultation at Cabinet on with the full consultation commencing on 11 July.

Q2 Priorities

- Consultation feedback will be analysed and used to inform the final draft of our Community Engagement and Participation Strategy.
- The strategy will return to Cabinet seeking formal approval and delivery of the strategy will commence shortly thereafter.

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Community and charity organisations represented at our inaugural Community Networking Event

