

Better Together- Knowsley Council



Knowsley Council



Characteristic(s):
Role of the elected member
Managing expenditure

Community Focus



Problem and Approach

Knowsley Better Together aims to see the council working in partnership with residents, businesses, partners and the voluntary sector. The driver for Knowsley Better Together is the Leader of the Council, with the activity being his aim to profile Knowsley as a fully cooperative council. The overriding intention was to mitigate a shrinking public sector budget through joint activity which reduces the overall cost of public services through delivering more for less with a definitive focus on sustainability. The creation of growth and sustainability within the VCFS Sector will help to deal with the root cause of service demand and shaping the provision to manage long-term public dependence on the service.

Outcomes

- A range of programmes have been implemented:
- A programme called 'It's your child's life' was delivered to 40 families equipping and empowering families to ensure their children get the very best home learning environment
- A "Listen Up" 12 month project which will engage with 70 disadvantaged young people in the process of designing original comic books exploring their own wellbeing.
- IT project sessions delivered over 12 months, aiming to help older residents to develop their IT skills
- A project working with adults due for release from prison or currently on probation to improve their chances of securing employment

1. <https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/business/what-is-knowsley-better-together>



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