

MAKING MANCHESTER FAIRER

Communities and Power

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What is Community Power?

A wide range of policies, practices and approaches that ...

- **accept that the challenges of the 21st century demand a fundamental shift in how we treat people and run public services**
- **treat people as active citizens, rather than passive service users or individual customers.**
- **give people the power to shape the places where they live and the services they use.**
- **recognise the skills and talents within communities and their ability to identify and respond to challenges they face.**

Building Community Power in Manchester

Vision & Strategy: we understand why and how we are building community power in Manchester.

Leadership: we are champions for community power.

Culture & Mindset: we are people-oriented, pragmatic, open and collaborative.

Skills & Learning: we are confident and building our capacity in community power.

Resources: we invest time and money promoting community power.

Equality, Diversity, Inclusion, & Anti Racism: we reflect our diverse communities and uplift the voices of those seldom heard.

Data & Insights: we gather and share knowledge to increase the power of citizens and communities.

Partnerships: we build deep connections and work in collaboration with communities.

Participation: we ensure citizens and communities have the power to shape the places and services they care about.



Next Steps

- Embedding the standards- starting with pioneers and growing;
- Development of a toolkit- critically think about current ways of working / build confidence & capability;
- Develop a 'Community of Practice';
- Communicate- good practice, celebrate efforts, share insights, learning;
- Our Manchester Strategy- strong links to consultation feedback.