

# Empowering and Engaging Citizens in our Communities



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# Why is empowerment important for us?

- Community Leadership
- Duty to Involve.
- National Indicator 4 in our Local Area Agreement measuring the *% of people who feel they can influence decisions*
- Comprehensive Area Assessment



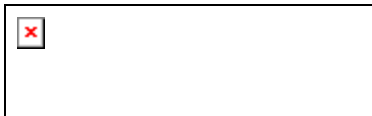
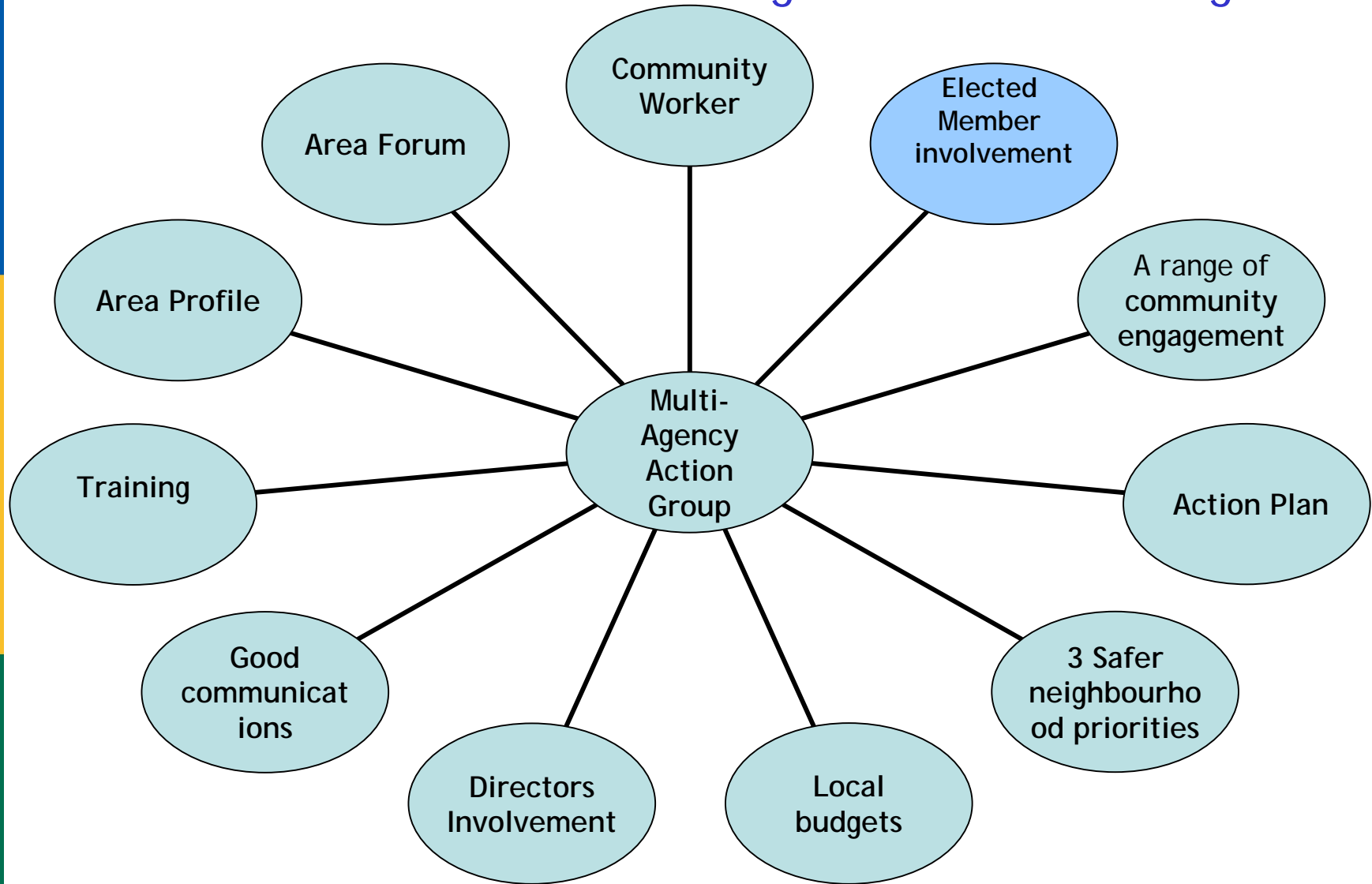
# Neighbourhood Working

Neighbourhood Working focuses on a specific local area to deliver:

- Community Engagement & Community Development
- Facilitate action groups & co-ordinate partners involvement - Produce local Action Plans
- Support for new projects / initiatives and community groups.



# Elements for Successful Neighbourhood Working



# Successes

## Improving Our Environment:

- Neighbourhood Wardens
- Clean-up days
- Community Gardens



# Successes

## Tackling Crime:

- Safer Neighbourhoods partnerships with Dorset Police
- Diversionary activities for young people



Access	Influence	Interventions	Answers
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### Westbourne & Westcliff

●●● Safer Neighbourhood Team

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team are

 PC 1937 Steve Lamon	 PC 1637 Neil Robinson	 PC 2314 Gary Waterman
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Dorset Police Making Dorset Safer, Making Dorset Feel Safer



# Successes

## Community Action:

- Local budgets for neighbourhood partnerships
- Community cohesion
- Third sector involvement



# Why Does Empowerment matter in Bournemouth?

By focusing on the needs of our customers and citizens by engaging and developing communities,

We drive forward change and improvement in public services

