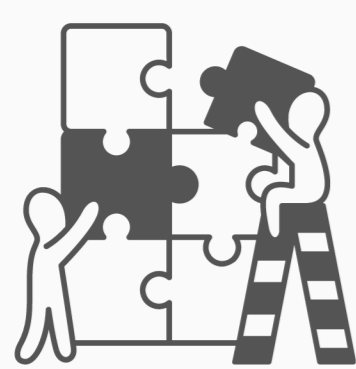


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OUR COMMITMENT TO CO-PRODUCTION

A Sandwell Partnership Charter



We want co-production to be the everyday way of working across all council, health, and community services in Sandwell wherever possible.

Our Place-based Co-production Charter sits alongside The Council Plan: Sandwell Council's vision, hopes and priorities for the borough looking forward to 2027.

Foundations for effective co-production:

- **People have something to offer:** recognises people as experts by experience with something valuable to contribute.
- **Builds on what people are good at:** recognises what people can do, develops capabilities and supports people to use them.
- **Develops two-way relationships:** everybody gets something out of working together in order to achieve the best outcomes.
- **People with similar experiences can support each other:** develops personal and peer networks as sources of support.
- **Blurs boundaries between professionals and the people they work with:** so that more people are invited to get involved.
- **Facilitates rather than delivers to:** enables people and communities to make things happen!



We will:

- **Understand, value, and embrace co-production.** Actively encourage and promote this way of working across our organisation, sharing and supporting good practice. Aim for co-production as 'business as usual', or:
- **Invest in meaningful ways of working with people.** We will invest in infrastructure where possible, and allow time to support good practice.
- **Be honest and open.** We will be clear and tell people what we can and cannot do. When co-production is not realistic we will consider other ways to involve, consult, engage or inform people.
- **Involve the right people.** Take the time to get the right people involved, remove barriers, and build relationships.
- **Be inclusive and accessible.** We will be creative and flexible in how we work and communicate with people, so that they can be involved in a way that suits them.

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