



What is the Community Planning Improvement Board (CPIB)?

The Community Planning Improvement Board (CPIB) provides improvement support for community planning in Scotland.

Our purpose is to support Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs) to deliver their statutory duties effectively and to make better and more informed decisions that improve the lives of communities across Scotland. We work with community planning partners to understand:

- the leadership, influence, services and approaches that are effective in improving outcomes and reducing inequalities for and with local communities
- the challenges for CPPs including data for evidence-based decision making and capacity
- what support, innovation and/or change is needed to make community planning work more effectively for and with local communities.

This underpins our three main roles.

- 1. Evidence** - We aim to bring together and share evidence of what works well in community planning to influence policy, practice and reform of public services at local and national levels.
- 2. Collaboration** – We bring together national insights, innovation and improvement support to ensure capacity and resources are targeted to where they are most needed.
- 3. Tailored support and capacity building** – We offer practical support to CPPs with their challenges around leadership, governance, scrutiny, analysis and decision-making.

What challenges are we trying to address?



Strengthened leadership and influence



Community participation, particularly hard-to-reach groups, vulnerable and communities of interest



Effective decision making and good governance



Innovative approaches to joint planning, service design and resourcing



Availability of high quality local data and insights to support decision making



Supporting innovation, improvement and sharing best practice



How are we helping?

SUPPORT AND CAPACITY BUILDING



We're offering practical support to CPPs by expanding the Community Planning in Scotland website to include more resources, support and showcases of CPPs' work and progress, identifying gaps in the support for CPPs—and working to plug them—while building analytical capacity across public services.

EVIDENCE AND EVALUATION



We're developing and sharing evidence of what works based on research by What Works Scotland, as well as developing an approach to evaluation that can be used by CPPs.

OUTCOMES, PLANNING AND INSIGHTS



We will consider approaches to developing outcomes, planning and insights for community planning and will propose areas for development and improvement to support partnership working. This will include how we capture and evidence the impact of community planning through a range of measures and actionable insights.

BETTER ACCESS TO AND USE OF DATA, INSIGHTS AND INTELLIGENCE



We will improve access to, and understanding of, data by exploring opportunities to increase the local data available in open formats and fill the gaps in the data currently available to measure outcome and build an evidence base at local level.

We're also supporting CPPs to make better use of data to develop meaningful insights to support effective and informed decision making.

Who's involved in the CPIB?

Members of the CPIB come from all the main stakeholders involved in community planning. They include senior representatives from SOLACE, NHS, police, fire, enterprise and skills development agencies, the third sector, Scottish Government, Improvement Service and What Works Scotland, and community planning managers.

Want to know more?

Visit www.improvementservice.org.uk/cpiib for the work plan, outputs, membership and contact information.

Visit the Community Planning Support Portal at www.cppsupport.scot