

Black Country Empowerment Core Delivery Group

Terms of reference



Our reason for being:

To lead the Take Part Pathfinder Programme of work

To aim to 'join-up' with other empowerment programmes across the Black Country

To embed empowerment work within the Black Country

To share our approach with others across the West Midlands.

This is who we are:

Key delivery partners from Wolverhampton, Dudley, Walsall and Sandwell who can be from either Third Sector and/or Statutory Sector together with other delivery partners. Others may attend meetings in agreement with the group and in accordance with our terms of reference.

This is what we will do:

Meet as a steering group to ensure we are delivering a robust Pathfinder programme.

Strive to make links with other empowerment work across the Black Country

Be accountable to our funders, each other and participants/service users

Set up task and finish groups as necessary to undertake specific areas of work. These groups may involve others than the core delivery group.

Sign-up to a partnership agreement which defines the areas of work we agree to undertake

Link with, inform and share learning with national networks and partners

Performance manage the programme and share with the reference group

Work in an empowering way with each other and those we work with through:

- honest and open dialogue
- being fair
- sharing appropriate and mutually agreed responsibility
- recognising that misunderstandings and mistakes occur and agreeing to work together to resolve any issues
- working in an equitable way

Share our practice and learning where appropriate as agreed by the group.

Strive to find ways to embed our approach within both Statutory and Third sectors across the Black Country.

WVSC, through the Co-ordinator and administrator, will call meetings and provide secretariat support.



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