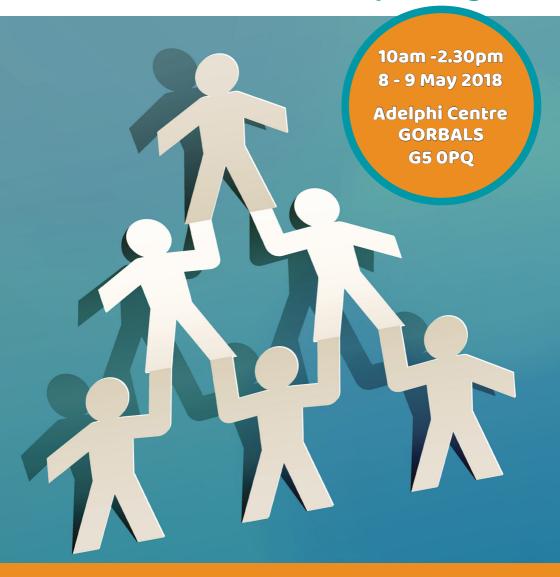
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Could you be a Community Champion in Glasgow?



We are getting behind local people who want to help get their local area ready for community budgeting (CB).

The Scottish Government require Local Authorities to allocate at least 1% of their budgets via CB in the future. In Glasgow this could equate to approximately £23million per year.

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We are delivering a programme to get alongside local people to generate interest and embed the theory and practice of Community Budgeting in a really innovative, accessible way.

In your area, we will deliver a series of capacity building activities, including:

- Recruiting and supporting6 CB 'champions'
- Community Workshops on 'How to: A practical guide to community budgeting' and 'Engaging seldom heard voices'
- Initiating short projects with local schools and carrying out a budgeting event with students.

Our CB Champions will take part in a 2 day training programme:

Community Budgeting: Theory and Practice – this module covers the basics of community budgeting and the CB cycle, aiming to give our champions a sense of the history of CB, our experience with it, and where it will go in the future. At the end of this module, champions will be confident starting conversations around CB and will have enough knowledge to pass this information on to their community.

Boundaries & Confidentiality – this module aims at defining boundaries for people working with their own communities, as well as the importance of confidentiality and transparency when engaging with CB processes. Champions should complete this module feeling confident on where their boundaries lie, and how to protect them. We will use real life scenarios and provide stock responses that are tried and tested to protect boundaries.

Confident Delivery – this module is aimed at creating confident individuals, and covers all the soft skills needed to deliver engaging workshops, as well as the practicalities of setting up, delivering and closing a workshop. This is aimed at increasing confidence in public speaking, and enabling our champions to take a more involved role in delivering the community workshops mentioned above

Engaging Seldom Heard Voices – this module (which will be replicated in a community workshop) highlights the variety of ways to encourage people to participate in their communities, and the potential barriers that stop people participating. It will also cover how to create the right environment to encourage people to participate.

By the end of the project, we hope that each area will have:

- Communities that are aware of CB in their area and across the country, and how to get involved
- Communities that are well connected; for example public services, schools, community groups and others all being aware of one another and eager to work together
- People who don't normally get involved feeling confident and that their input is welcome
- Local people presented with opportunities for further volunteering in an area of interest to them.

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