



# Community Engagement Team in BCP Council

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# Community Engagement and Partnerships – Core Services



 **Community Initiatives**

 **Community Development**



# Community Initiatives

- Access to Food Partnership
- Volunteers and Volunteering Strategy
- BCP Age Friendly Programme
- Cost of Living Support
- Funding Advice



# Community Development

**Community Resilience**

**Area based Community Development**

**Homelessness Reduction in Priority Neighbourhoods**

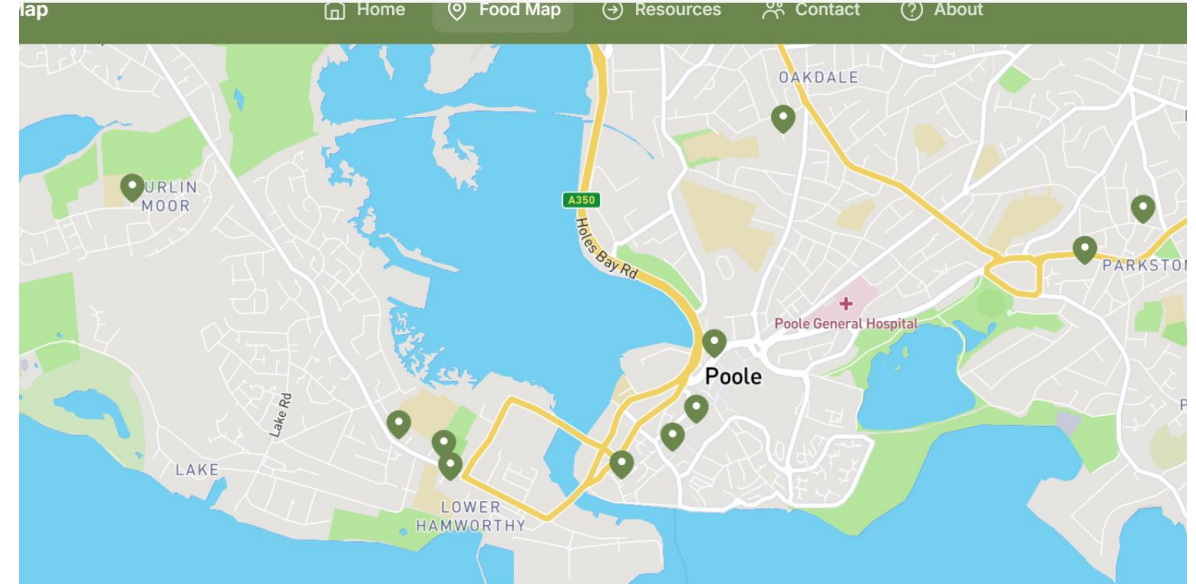
# Access to Food Partnership

The Access to Food Partnership brings together local services to make sure everyone has access to food. This is through food banks, community fridges, social supermarkets and more.



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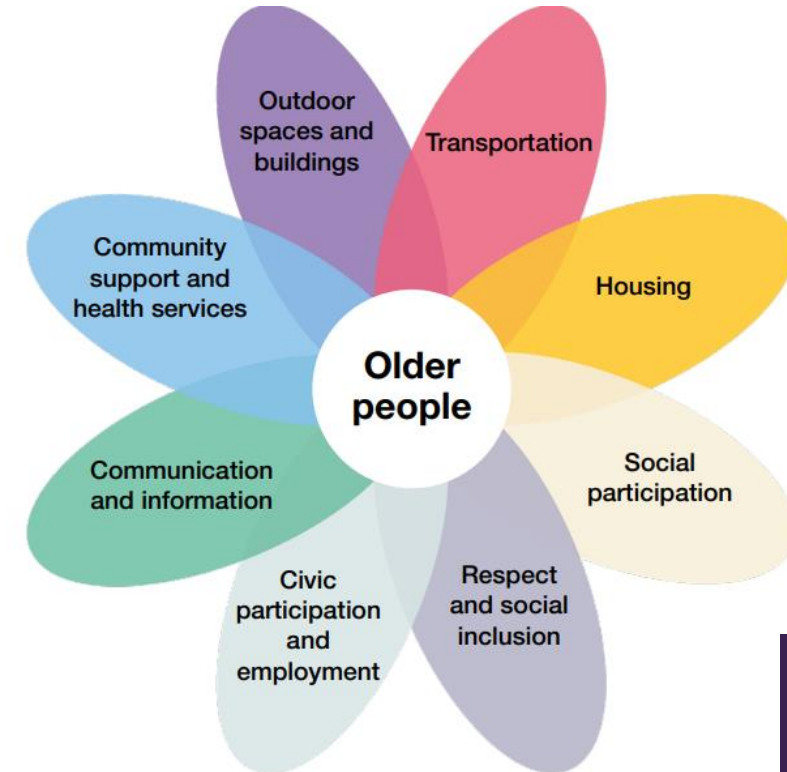
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# Age Friendly Community BCP

“Older residents help to shape the place that they live. This involves local groups, councils, businesses and residents all working together to identify and make changes in both the physical and social environments, for example transport, outdoor spaces, volunteering and employment, leisure and community services.” (Centre of Ageing Better, 2022P)





# Funding Advice for Small Community Groups

The BCP Communities Funding Advisor supports local groups by;

- Get funding ready – preparing documents, organisational structure, budget for projects or programmes, policies and procedures
- Developing fundraising strategies – tailored to your goals and capacity
- Identifying funding opportunities – local, regional, and national
- Helping you to find these opportunities for yourself
- Reviewing and assisting on funding bids
- Advising you on stewardship – keeping your donors loyal

Get support by emailing [funding@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:funding@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

# Area Based Community Development

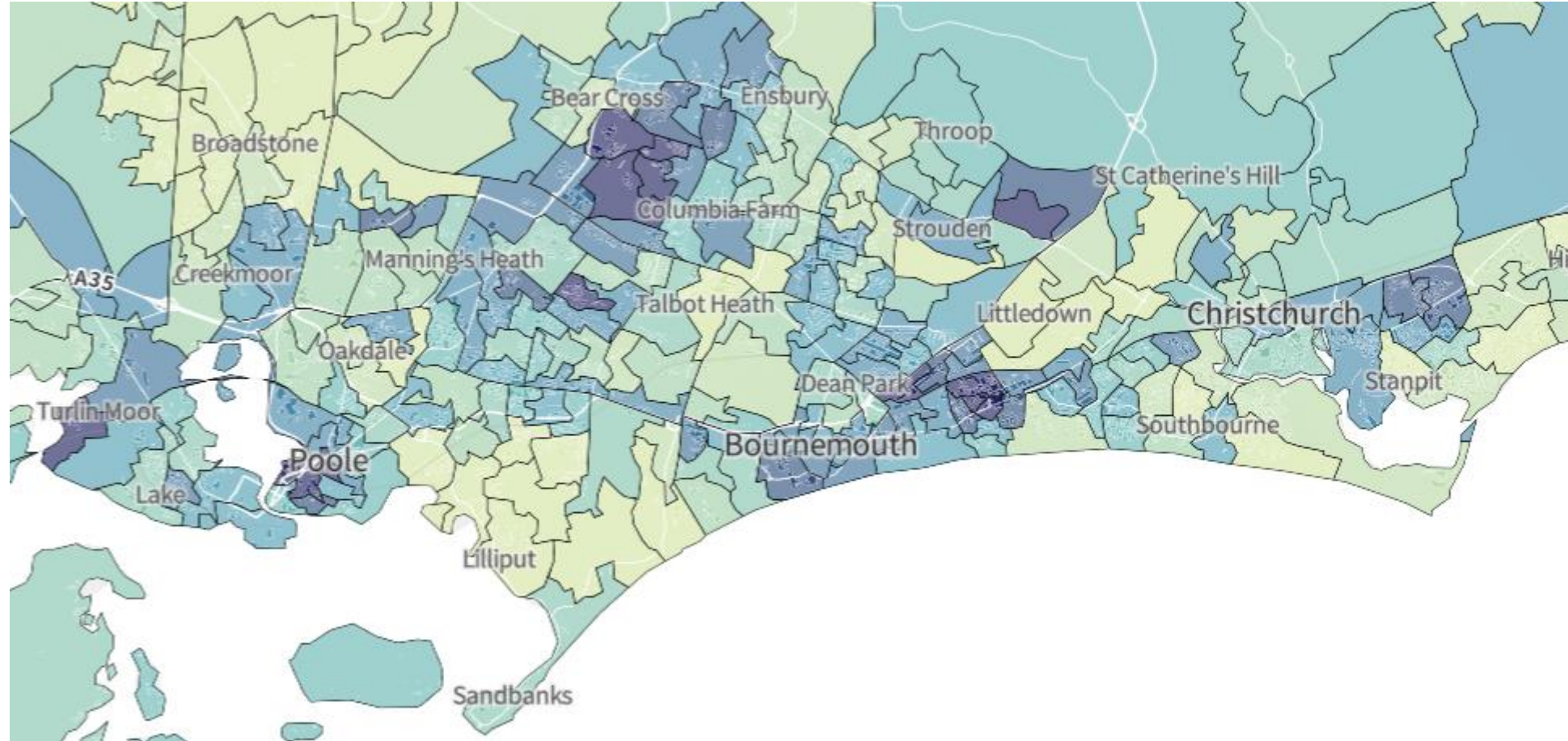
“We want people to take individual and collective action to bring about change in the area or lives.”

Why?

- Strong evidence of the link between community development and the improve of health outcomes
- Improved community cohesion
- Challenges traditional public service delivery model
- Upstream prevention



# Area based Community Development



# Principles of Community Development

1. Citizen-led
2. Asset-based
3. Placed-based
4. Relationship oriented
5. Inclusion focused



# Community Superpowers

- Keeping healthy
- Supporting local jobs
- Raising Children
- Growing local food
- Co-creating care
- Keeping local residents safe
- Protecting the planet



# Community Development in action



If you're worried about the months ahead, come along to **Community Help Marketplace** at St James' Church on Church Street in Poole – support, help and advice under one roof. You will be able to find out more about the free services available in Poole.

**Saturday 12th November 2022, 11am – 3pm**  
 St James' Church, Church Street, Poole BH15 1JN  
 Free food and refreshments  
 Activities for children



WE'RE OPEN...  
**WEST HOWE**  
**COMMUNITY FRIDGE**

**HENRY BROWN CENTRE**  
 EVERY FRIDAY 10:00-12:00  
 STARTING DECEMBER 2ND

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

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# Community Development in Poole

**Kelly Edwards, Community Development Officer**

# Community Development in Poole

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- Bourne Valley
- Poole Old Town
- Turlin Moor






# Money Ready Sessions





- Trialling sessions starting in January
- Weekly workshops
- Friday mornings 10am – 12pm
- Review, adapt and roll-out



Come and meet Debbie, a Money Ready trainer running sessions at Waste Not Want Not in 2026

 Poole Waste Not Want Not  Tuesday 20th January  Drop in 9am - 10am

Have your say on what topics you want to explore. Popular ones include:

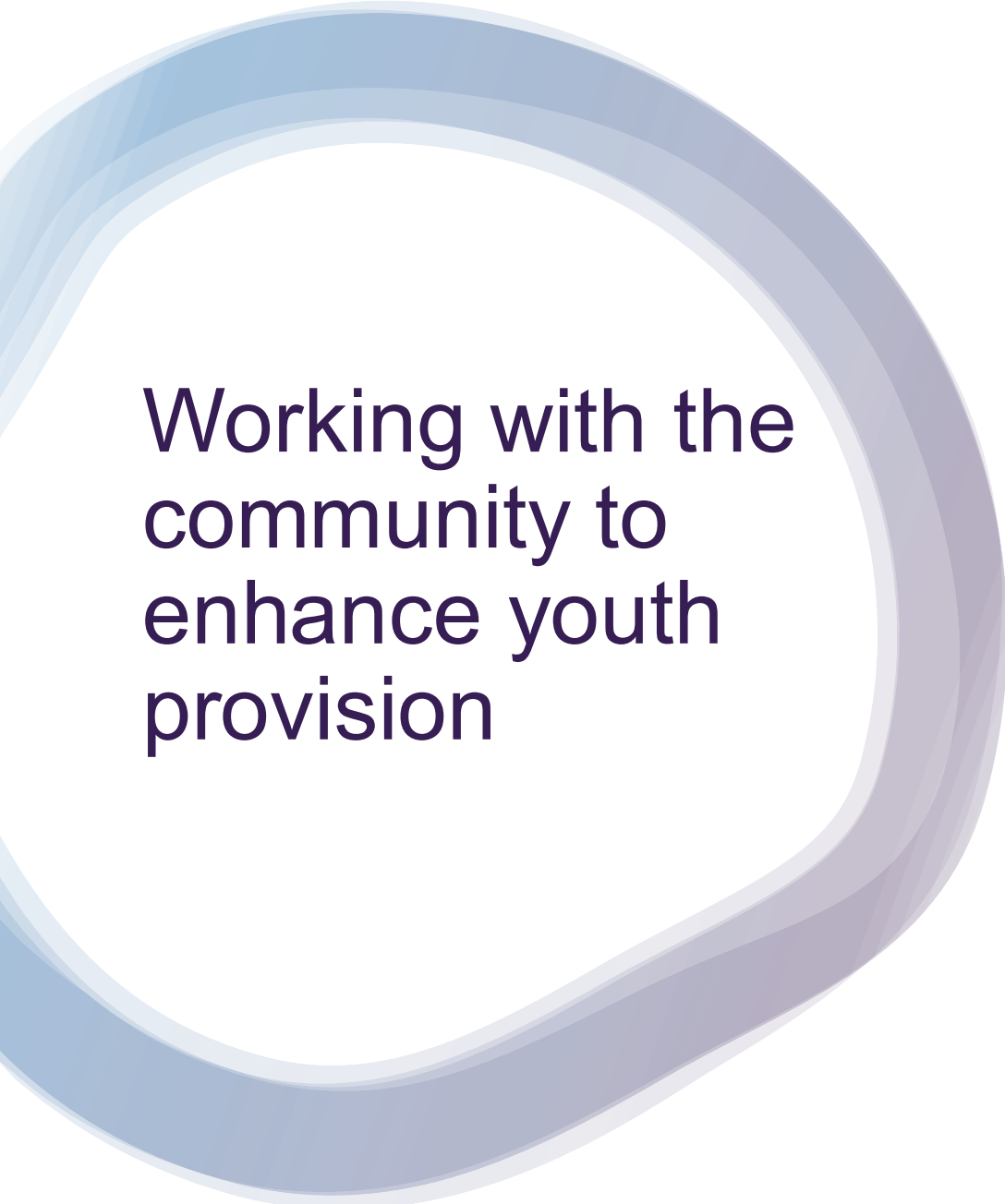
-  How to save when spending
-  Budgeting tips and tools
-  How to reduce household costs
-  Borrowing and debt



**No need to book a place  
- just turn up any time  
between 9am and 10am**



#NewYear #NeedToKnow #MoneyReady

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## Working with the community to enhance youth provision

A group of parents from Poole Old Town Infant school are setting up their own community group

### Short term goals:

- Family activities
- Community events
- Trips

### Long term goals:

- Weekly youth club in Poole Old Town

# Building connections between organisations, services and local people

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- **Poole Museum** – Wiggles and Giggles & outreach work
- **Family Hub and Infant School** – Wardrobe Foundation event
- Stay connected and support Poole Quays Forum & Poole Old Town Community Group

# Enhancing green and community assets



Community street tree planting project



Poole Old Town Community Centre




Support community engagement aspects of projects such as Guildhall gardens



The Power House in Hamworthy – community garden & new Project Manager

[Help build Turlin Moor Skatepark - Crowdfunder Video](#)



# Turlin Moor Skate Park

WE ARE DESIGNING A NEW SKATEPARK FOR

# TURLIN MOOR

IN POOLE, DORSET

# Thank you & Questions?

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