

Growing Communities

Support to help you on your co-production journey.

This guide provides you with information about what we offer.



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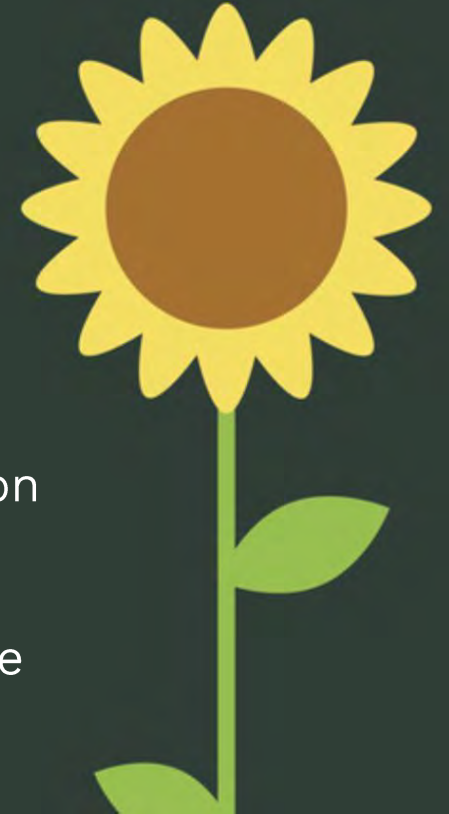
Who are we?

We're South Yorkshire Housing Association, and we pride ourselves on our **community led, person centered and strengths-based approaches** to designing services “*with people*” and “*for the communities*” that we are intending to serve.

Our values

- We explore and celebrate new ideas and **excellence in placemaking**.
- We **share expertise** and good practice and seek out opportunities to create great places.
- We **collaborate and form partnerships** to drive equality and growth in our region.
- We use our **influence and assets** to benefit our sector and region.
- We support the **ideas of people in the community** to improve the places where they live, work and play.

We have a range of free and additional services to help you on your co-production journey including Good Practice webinars, Good Practice Guides and a Growing Communities assessment. If you feel like you'd like more support on your journey, we offer bespoke training, mentoring and coaching to get you where you need to be.



Stronger Together Toolkit

[The toolkit](#) is a one stop, user friendly space where 6 years of collective experiences and learning is shared. Based around 12 distinct themes, it is for anyone who has an interest in co-production, including local authorities, funders, people-focused organisations and community services; as well as groups & individuals looking to learn more.

Learning Guides

Nine learning guides help you get the most out of the toolkit and navigate around some of the key toolkit themes. They provide a snapshot of what you will find within the toolkit itself, bring the themes to life, and signpost to a range of inspirational and useful resources within the resource library.

[Learning guides](#)

Stronger Together
A co-production toolkit
from Ageing Better



Growing Communities Assessment Tool

Our newly launched Growing Communities assessment tool has been designed to help you reflect on your co-production journey, our tool will help you discover how you can make improvements and enhance your approach.

It takes 10 minutes to complete, and you'll get personalised results and resources along with more information on how we can support you to get where you'd like to be.

[Complete the assessment tool](#)



Our wider offer

We've created a suite of **co-production training, coaching & mentoring packages** around four key themes, drawing from our extensive experience of delivering co-production and asset-based community development approaches.

We want to share our learning in a way that supports other like-minded organisations to **build their knowledge, skills and expertise.**

We have focused our offer around two key pieces of our legacy - **Age Better in Sheffield** *and* **Well Rotherham.**



Our training & coaching will support you to:



Improve your understanding of what co-production is and what it isn't and where to start.



Explore what co-production means to you and the communities you work with.



Co-design your own unique set of co-production values and principles



Expand the ways in which you work with others to ensure diversity of engagement, and inclusion.



Draw on community strengths using an ABCD, *Asset Based Community Development Approach*.



Develop a framework and guidelines that embed co-production into everyday ways of working.

Our co-production themes

1

**Creating a
Co-production
culture**

2

**Involving your
community**

3

**Developing
a Strengths-
based
approach**

4

**Embedding
Co-production
in practice**

Our training & coaching offer

Explore topic by topic

Choose our introductory session **Creating a Co-production Culture** as the first part of a two part training.

Add on one of the other three available themes to tailor the training in a way that most suits your organisation's needs.

Explore

Immerse your team

Embrace co-production and choose all four of the available training themes: each element can be delivered via a half day sessions.

For organisations looking to go deeper we also offer a 4 full day immersion package dependent on how deep you want to go at this point.

Immerse

Take a deeper dive

If you prefer more tailored support to embed co-production in practice, we offer coaching and mentoring designed for you and your organisation's journey.

We'll help you set realistic goals that grow and embed your approach and overcome any stumbling blocks along the way.

Dive Deep



Why choose us?

- Learn from our grassroots involvement of facilitating citizen led, co-produced programmes and projects
- Feel in safe hands as our facilitation experts guide you through your own co-production journey
- Feel supported through an inclusive, creative, and stimulating training approach
- Draw from our wealth of experience-based knowledge, learning, tools and resources
- Work as a team to assess, learn and develop things together
- Enjoy a flexible approach with a range of options to suit your needs
- Develop and embed through life-long access to our Growing Communities toolkit and learning guides

Age Better in Sheffield

Age Better in Sheffield was set up in 2015 with funding from the National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF) with a remit to reduce loneliness and social isolation amongst people aged over 50 in Sheffield. We took the learning, resources, partnerships and projects forward with a renewed focus and passion towards building an Age-friendly Sheffield.

[About Age-friendly Sheffield – Age Friendly Sheffield](#)

The Ageing Better Programme

Ageing Better developed creative ways for older people to be actively involved, as one of five major programmes set up by TNLCF to test and learn from new approaches to designing services which aim to make people's lives healthier and happier.

[The 14 Ageing Better partners](#) worked together to co-create a toolkit, all about co-production, as part of Ageing Better's legacy.



Well Rotherham

Well Rotherham was a three-year programme funded by Public Health England.

The programme connected local people, health experts, public services, businesses, voluntary and community groups who all wanted to make a difference.

Using Asset-Based Community Development, Well Rotherham acted as a catalyst to launch local independent projects and built reciprocal relationships in the community.



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- Book your personal discovery call with us through [our booking link](#)
- Drop us an enquiry email
- Visit [our website](#) for more information

