

# Plan review feedback for Allenton

Thank you for submitting your plan review to Local Trust. This feedback is about your plan review process and how you have been monitoring your impact, but it's not an assessment of your activities.

We want to help you make the most of the opportunity the plan review gives you to learn about the impact of your work and to enable you to share this learning with your Big Local area.

We use your plan review in the assessment process for future plans and funding agreements for your area. In addition, we analyse reviews across all the Big Local areas to learn more about the programme as a whole and share any findings through our guidance, training and learning events.

The more information you provide about how you are doing, the easier it is for you to see your achievements and impact. This information then helps us to improve our support to areas, which is why we value your plan review so much!

## What we liked about your plan review:

- This is a really good review. It is thorough and uses a number of different methods to evaluate the projects and activities you are funding.
- You have collected and included different types of information to help you demonstrate the difference you are making, such as open data from Local Insight and survey responses from people in your community.
- You clearly demonstrate that you are doing lots of great things in Allenton Big Local and continually ensuring that what you're doing is what the community wants.

## What can make your review even better:

- The research team is providing support for Big Local areas to measure the difference you are making. For more information about events we are currently offering, take a look at [this blog](#).
- Consider including photos and links to your social media on your next plan review to provide evidence of your activities and how you're involving your community.
- Think about how you can use open data to make even more informed decisions about your activities and priorities. Take a look at [this blog](#) to learn more about how to get the most out of open data.

## Resources available to support you:

**Supporting areas to measure change:** Measuring the change that you are making in your Big Local area can be difficult, but it is important to be able to show the difference you have made. You might be measuring change already or just starting out. Wherever you are in your journey,

the research team at Local Trust can offer support. [Read more about why measuring change is important and get in touch about the support that you need.](#)

**Local Trust's website:** We have a range of [tools and resources](#) on our website that can help you with your plan review, so take a look if you need some new ideas or inspiration from other areas. We update these resources and add new ones from time to time, so keep checking!

**Local Insight:** Local Insight allows you to access open source data on social, economic, and demographic indicators about your area. It is a useful tool for getting a broad understanding of your area, especially during the planning and reviewing stages to provide evidence of why your projects are needed and who they will help. Read the [how to use Local Insight guide](#) on our website to learn more about the site.

**Local Trust's research on Big Local:** We carry out research on Big Local which you might find interesting and relevant to your area. All of the reports and summaries are available under the [research and evaluation page](#) on our website.

## Sharing your research and evaluations:

If you have any reports or data from research and evaluations that you have carried out in your area in between your plan reviews, please share them with us. We are always interested in your research and in sharing information and learning across areas.

## Contact the research team:

If you'd like advice or support on any of these resources or would like to talk to us about your feedback, please get in touch.

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