

A new national improvement strategy for town and parish councils

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Context

- How does improvement and development get delivered now in the sector?
- Why the change?

A vision for town and parish councils

- The Improvement and Development Board partners have a shared vision for how local councils can make a positive contribution to their communities and a shared view of the responsibilities for delivering improvement.

Service deliverer



Culture creator



Trevor Mitchell

Place shaper



Community facilitator



Democratic and accountable



Roles and responsibilities

- Local councils are responsible for their own performance and improvement as corporate bodies and for the performance of their councillors and staff.
- Local councils are accountable to their local communities.
- Local councils are able to set and meet their own standards and ambitions.
- The role of the IDB partners is to build support and programmes that help councils to meet their own standards and ambitions. These programmes also constructively challenge councils to meet their potential and to continuously improve over time.
- The IDB partners also set a vision for the sector, based on the ambitions and aspirations of local councils.

Delivering the strategy

- Planning for new improvement programmes
 - Understand needs and assets
 - Engage multiple actors
 - Map the system or network
- Delivering programmes for improvement
 - Do it together
 - Distribute leadership
 - Foster a learning culture

The building blocks of the national improvement strategy





Thank you