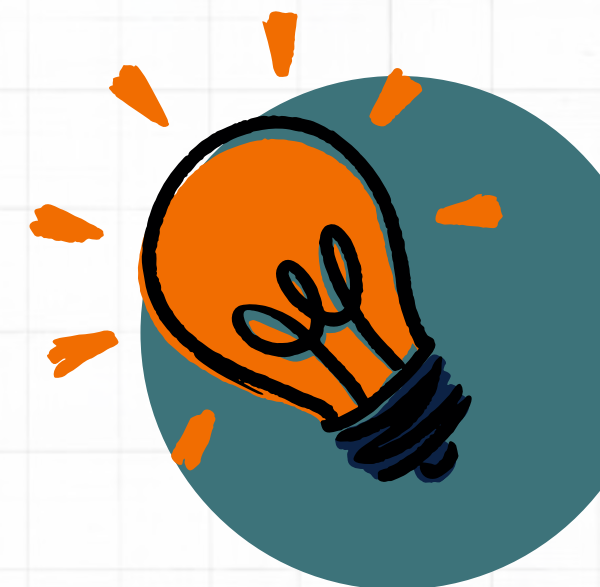




Building a Hartlepool Where Everyone Belongs

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES • DEVELOPING LEADERS • CREATING OPPORTUNITY

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Why Diversity Network Exists



"A community isn't strengthened simply because people live beside one another. It is strengthened when they serve beside one another."

Today Hartlepool has:

- Amazing organisations
- Amazing volunteers
- Amazing communities

But often...

- They work separately
- Young people struggle to engage
- Good ideas never happen because people don't know where to begin

Diversity Network exists to connect people with opportunities to contribute.





Our Journey



COMMUNITY
CONVERSATIONS

PARTNERSHIPS
FORMED

COMMUNITY
HUB

FUTURE
VISION

22
RESIDENTS
GATHERED
TO DISCUSS
BELONGING.

COMMUNITY
EVENTS

YOUTH
CENTRE

OFFICIAL
LAUNCH



OUR VISION

We are creating a Hartlepool where:
Everyone belongs.
Everyone contributes.
Everyone has opportunities.
Every organisation works together.

Mission underneath
To connect communities through service,
leadership and opportunity.

Our belief: Every resident deserves to feel
seen, valued and connected.



A Different Way of Thinking

Instead of asking
Who belongs to Diversity Network?

We ask
HOW CAN WE HELP YOU CONTRIBUTE?

This changes everything.

We become

Connector

Facilitator

Volunteer Hub

Youth Platform

Community Partner



30+

PARTNER
ORGANISATIONS

5,000+

RESIDENTS
ENGAGED

35

VOLUNTEERS

15+

COMMUNITY EVENTS
SUPPORTED

YOUTH CENTRE PROGRAMMES LAUNCHED



Four Strategic Priorities



CONNECT COMMUNITIES

FESTIVALS,
NETWORKING,
PARTNERSHIPS.



DEVELOP YOUNG LEADERS

YOUTH CIVIC AWARD
DANCE WITH ZARA
LEADERSHIP



STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS

BUSINESSES
COUNCIL
NHS
SCHOOLS
POLICE



BUILD PRIDE

VOLUNTEERING
EVENTS
PARKS
CULTURE
NEIGHBOURHOODS

Why It Matters to Pride in Place

STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Builds relationships across communities

CIVIC PRIDE

Visible community events and celebrations

INCLUSION

Ensures all communities have a voice

PRIDE IN PLACE PRIORITIES

AND

DIVERSITY NETWORK DELIVERIES

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Youth Centre, Dance with Zara, volunteering

VOLUNTEERING

Recruits, trains and supports volunteers

PARTNERSHIP

Connects public, private and voluntary sectors





What Next



UPCOMING PROJECTS



YOUTH CENTRE PROGRAMME	DANCE WITH ZARA	CARNIVAL FLOAT	OUR SHARED STORY EXHIBITION
VOLUNTEER ACADEMY	COMMUNITY DOCUMENTARY – <i>ONE HARTLEPOOL, MANY STORIES</i>	COMMUNITY BUSINESS NETWORK	THE HARTLEPOOL YOUTH CIVIC AWARD

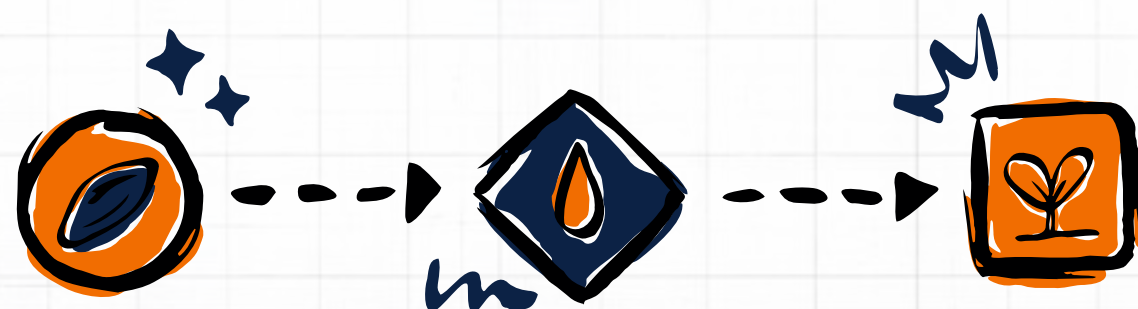
The Investment Opportunity and Return on Investment

Investment priorities:

- Youth leadership
- Volunteer development
- Community Hub
- Schools programme
- Community engagement
- Business partnerships
- • Cultural celebrations

Every pound invested creates

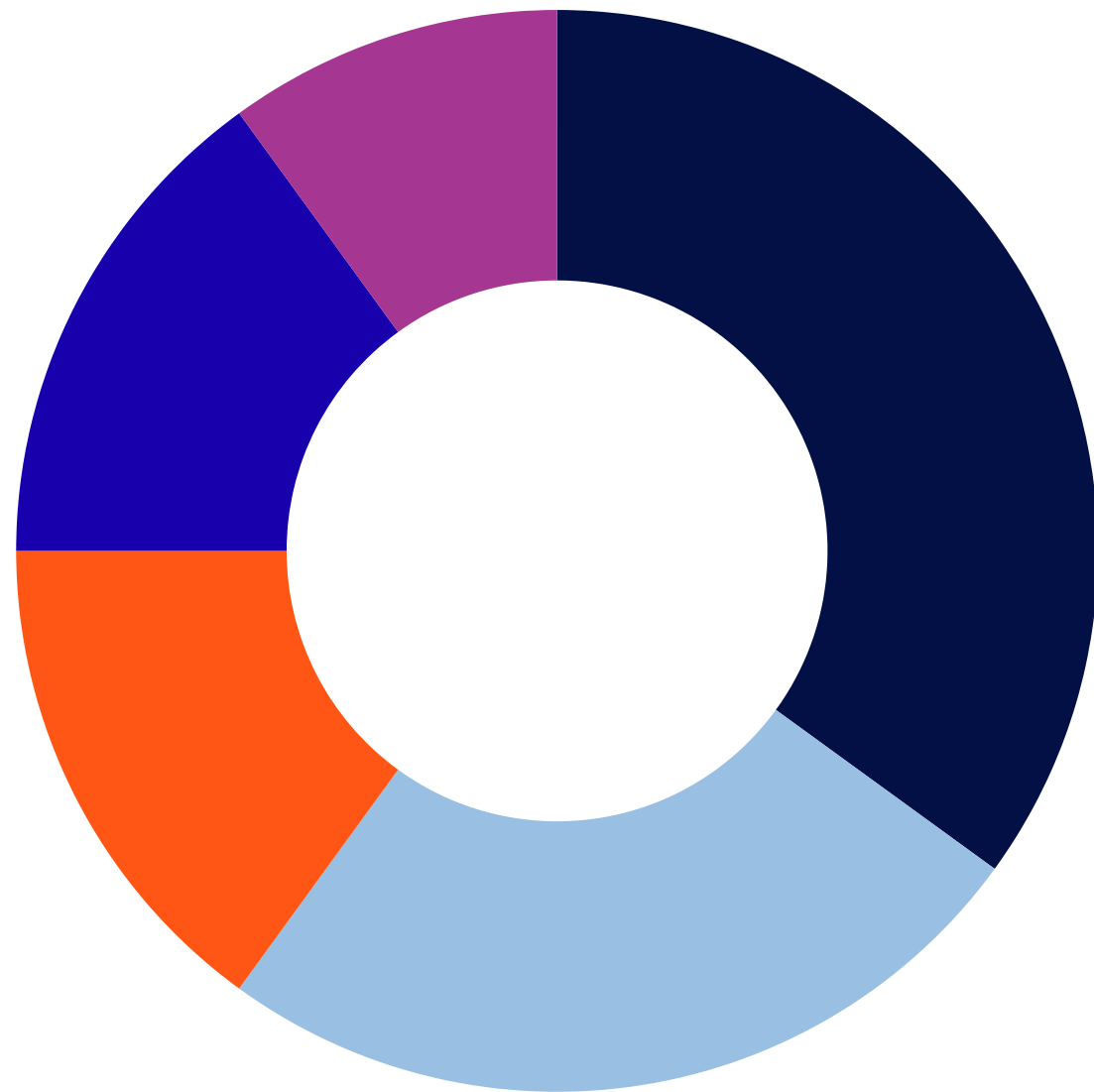
- More volunteers
- More partnerships
- More youth leadership
- Safer communities
- Community pride
- Stronger neighbourhoods
- Greater belonging



Building Belonging Through Active Citizenship (Community Annimators)



- Youth Ambassador Programme & Youth Civic Award
- Community Engagement Activities
- Volunteer Development & Training
- Community Development & Partnership Building
- Monitoring, Evaluation & Programme Resources



50 young people enrolled in the Hartlepool Youth Civic Award

250+ volunteer hours completed across community projects

8–10 community events and engagement activities

Launch of the Youth Ambassador Programme

Recruitment and training of 25 community volunteers

10+ new partnerships with local organisations, schools and businesses

A published Community Impact Report demonstrating outcomes and learning

"This investment will establish the foundations of a sustainable, community-led movement that develops young leaders, strengthens partnerships and builds a greater sense of belonging across Hartlepool."





Official Launch

Join us as we:

- Launch Diversity Network
- Unveil Our Shared Story
- Celebrate our community partnerships
- Meet volunteers, businesses and community leaders
- Experience a special performance from Zara

Wednesday 8th July
5:30 pm
Enterprise Centre, Hartlepool



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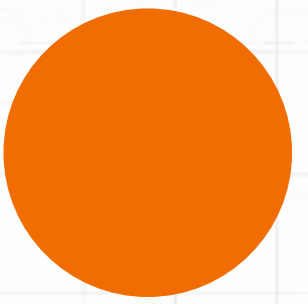


One Hartlepool. Many Stories. One Community.

"Strong communities aren't built by organisations alone. They are built by ordinary people choosing to serve one another."

"We are not asking you to fund another organisation. We are inviting you to invest in a stronger, more connected Hartlepool where every resident has the opportunity to belong, contribute and thrive."





Why Diversity Network Matters to Hartlepool

Use six simple icons:

- **Retain Young People – Give young people leadership, volunteering and local opportunities that strengthen their connection to Hartlepool.**
- **Build Community Cohesion – Create regular opportunities for people from different backgrounds to meet, volunteer and solve problems together.**
- **Support Local Businesses – Connect employers with volunteers, young talent and community partnerships.**
- **Activate Public Spaces – Bring parks, community venues and neighbourhoods to life through events and volunteering.**
- **Strengthen Civic Pride – Encourage residents to take ownership of their town through service and participation.**
- **Welcome New Residents – Help people who choose Hartlepool as their home become active contributors alongside long-standing residents.**

Thank You

