

## Some Useful Sources

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### **[www.interactweb.org.uk](http://www.interactweb.org.uk)**

An alliance of practitioners, researchers, writers and policy makers committed to putting effective deliberative, participatory and co-operative approaches at the heart of debate, decision making and action in the UK. The website contains a list of publications on participation and partnership, case studies, discussion papers and information about current initiatives.

### **[www.healthinpartnership.org](http://www.healthinpartnership.org)**

Research programme supporting greater patient, carer and public participation in healthcare decision making. The programme is funded by the Department of Health and comprises 12 studies. The website includes research reports, details of NHS policy on partnership and involvement, key publications, information about other resources and links to research centres.

### **<http://invo.org.uk>**

National advisory group, funded by the Department of Health, which aims to promote and support active public involvement in NHS, public health and social care research.

### **[www.active-citizen.org.uk](http://www.active-citizen.org.uk)**

This is the website of the Home Office's Active Citizenship Centre. It contains news on government initiatives on community engagement and active citizenship, information about research and local initiatives, as well as reports, case studies and details of events.

### **[www.toolkitparticipation.com](http://www.toolkitparticipation.com)**

Toolkit Citizen Participation. Website provides information on tools which promote citizen participation and their practical application via a number of international case studies. There is also a discussion forum.

### **[www.ourpartnership.org.uk](http://www.ourpartnership.org.uk)**

This is an NCVO project, supported by the Home Office Active Communities Unit. It promotes best practice for people working in partnerships between the voluntary and public sectors. Included on the website is guidance on setting up and maintaining partnerships, links to resources and a forum for discussion.

**[www.citizen.org.uk](http://www.citizen.org.uk)**

Institute for Citizenship. Promotes informed, active citizenship and greater participation in democracy and society through a combination of community projects, research, education and discussion. The website contains resources for citizenship education, predominantly aimed at young people. There are also reports of the 'Democracy through Citizenship' project and a discussion forum.

**[www.citizenshipfoundation.org.uk](http://www.citizenshipfoundation.org.uk)**

The Citizenship Foundation aims to empower individuals to engage in the community through education about law, democracy and society.

**[www.grc-exchange.org](http://www.grc-exchange.org)**

An information database run by the Institute for Development Studies (IDS) containing information on various governance themes, organisations and sources of advice and expertise.

**[www.governance-works.org.uk](http://www.governance-works.org.uk)**

The Foundation for Good Governance is an independent charity which encourages and influences the debate on governance through research. They are conducting research on partnership working and participation in governance, the details of which are available on the website.

**[www.neighbourhood.gov.uk](http://www.neighbourhood.gov.uk)**

This is the website of the ODPM's Neighbourhood Renewal Unit, containing information on initiatives such as Local Strategic Partnerships and New Deal for Communities, of which community participation and partnership are central components. The website also contains evaluations of these schemes, as well as a searchable database of publications.

**[www.ids.ac.uk/logolink](http://www.ids.ac.uk/logolink)**

LogoLink – a learning initiative on citizen participation and local governance – comprises a global network of practitioners from civil society organisations, research institutions and governments working to deepen democracy through greater citizen participation in local governance. The website provides information about, and links to, various international initiatives and organisations in this field, as well as research reports and working papers.

**[www.socialeurope.com](http://www.socialeurope.com)**

The website of the independent network of directors of social services in Europe contains various articles on service user participation and developing partnerships.

**[www.integratedcarenetwork.gov.uk](http://www.integratedcarenetwork.gov.uk)**

The integrated care network is a source of information on partnership and integration projects and programmes in the UK. The website provides information and support on various aspects of partnership and integrated care, from case study examples of best practice, to guides on how to evaluate or improve partnerships. At a local level the ICN promotes and supports integration through a series of Action Learning Networks (ALNs). Their aim is to support the organisational development of new and existing integration in NHS, Social Care and Local Authority communities by bringing them together to compare experience, shape programmes and share outcomes.

**[www.globalwelfarelibrary.org](http://www.globalwelfarelibrary.org)**

A searchable e-library for global welfare.

**[www.evidencenetwork.org](http://www.evidencenetwork.org)**

Evidence Network is part of the ESRC Centre for Evidence Based Policy and Practice (EBPP) and exists to provide a forum for debate, as well as a source of information about EBPP research and activities. The website provides access to a variety of resources: searchable bibliographic and research databases; gateways to web-based information sources; centres carrying out research, EBPP and systematic review; and library services.

**[www.local-pi-library.gov.uk](http://www.local-pi-library.gov.uk)**

The website provides a database of local authority performance indicators on a number of themes, including various aspects of community involvement. There are also good practice publications and links to other resources on performance management and measurement.

**[www.creativecommunities.org.uk](http://www.creativecommunities.org.uk)**

The Centre for Creative Communities promotes civic engagement by facilitating collaboration and partnership. Their website contains links to publications and other resources on citizenship, governance, social cohesion, social capital and other related topics.

**[www.e-democracy.gov.uk](http://www.e-democracy.gov.uk)**

The local e-democracy project aims to harness new technology to encourage citizen participation in local decision making. The knowledge pool section of the website provides access to links, case studies and research and policy documents.

**www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk**

Social Care Online is a searchable database of social care information, including research briefings, reports, journal articles, government publications and links to other relevant websites.

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