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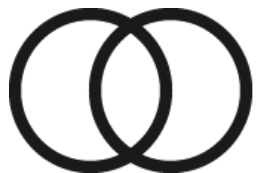
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Community organisations and community wealth building

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Community organisations

What are the opportunities?

- The sector is a significant player in local economies
- Community organisations often have deep rooted relationships across place
- The drive for progressive procurement and commissioning has provided opportunities for alternative provision
- There is a growing movement of organisations that are seeking to utilise their assets in socially productive manner



Community Organisations

Where is it happening? Where isn't it?

- Interesting examples through Power to Change's Empowering Places programme - principally the growth of the community business sector
- The emergence of community asset transfer
- Credit unions and their role in providing access to finance
- A challenge is for a community organisation to drive community wealth building in a place



Community organisations

What are the challenges?

- Creating a local infrastructure that supports community wealth building
- Influencing at a strategic policy level
- The capacity of the sector

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