

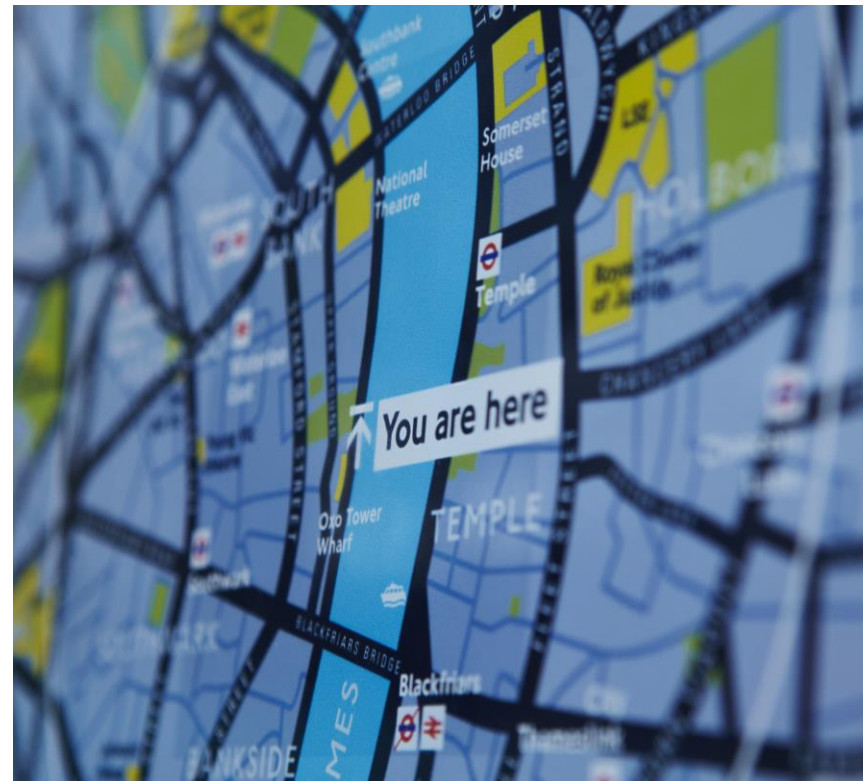


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Powerful Partnerships demonstrate a number of features.

These features form the values or ingredients that support their delivery of **joint work of value**, in the case of cultural and creative learning: activity which has a significant impact on cultural learning and engagement, which can only be achieved by organisations working powerfully together.



We know that Powerful Partnerships...



See the full set of [Powerful Partnerships values/ingredients](#) with further descriptions

... and that joint work of value might include...

Creating a strategic vision that wins people over.

Focusing on outcomes.

Identifying and delivering high, shared impact
interventions.

Asking young people and creating channels for their
ongoing engagement in the conversation.

Looking at and thinking about resources differently.

Sharing expertise and assets.

Making the collective extraordinary.

Partnership stages

We have found that partnerships typically go through the following 5 stages of development. For each stage we have highlighted a few Powerful Partnerships ingredients that might be particularly important...

Discover and build — The early stages of a partnership

- Building a relevant and diverse membership
- Beginning to consider local and user need
- Beginning to identify a clear set of purposes

Define — Forming a vision and a strategy

- Enable all partners to contribute
- Attend to individual partners' priorities
- Address local and user need

Develop — Building the future programme

- Undertake collaborative action
- Create a clear shared identity
- Provide clear and mutual benefit
- Secure and share resources and opportunities

Deliver— Effective governance during the production of the work

- Deliver shared impact
- Create opportunities for shared learning
- Grow trusting relationships

Do more — Keeping up momentum

- Secure and share resources and opportunities
- Create a clear shared identity
- Address local and user need



What next?

This framework aims to support the development of Powerful Partnerships to increase cultural and creative learning opportunities.

You can use the Powerful Partnership [values](#) in a number of ways — for example, as an evaluation tool to understand the workings of your partnership group, and plan priorities for next steps. We also have a number of [self-reflection activities](#) which you can draw upon.

Visit our [Powerful Partnerships Resource Library](#) to view the collection of case studies, practical tools and research help you build your work together and achieve powerful outcomes for young people through partnership working.

For more information or to share your story of partnership, [get in touch](#).