



Information sheet

What is a Community Action Group (CAG)?

The aim of this information sheet is to provide some straightforward definitions that people can use as a starting point for understanding what a Community Action Group is and how public involvement plays an important part in developing the neighbourhood.

What is the purpose of a CAG

CAGs aim to build active and influential communities based on mutual respect.

CAGs work in a relaxed way as part of a working group of the Local Neighbourhood Partnership (LNP) inviting local people from the community and organisations, so that everyone can take part in influencing change.

CAGs involve working with communities and all agencies in the public, private and community sector.

Who should attend?

Anyone who has a genuine interest in the local community should come along. CAGs are held once a month, starting at 6pm and lasting for 2 hours, including a buffet and refreshments. **Call 01922 654703 for venue details and dates for your LNP area.**

How CAGs are a community process

The CAG process involves:

- **tackling** the issues which people in your community identify as being important to you.
- **helping** people understand why the issues they want to tackle have come about.
- **networking** with local groups and organisations, working together to find solutions to the problems in your area.
- **working** towards changes which reduce inequality in your local community.

The flow diagram overleaf illustrates this CAG process.

Who to expect at a Safer & Stronger CAG

The Officers present at a CAG to facilitate actions and follow up issues:

- NPO – Neighbourhood Partnership Officer
- CLO – Community Liaison Officer
- Police Sergeant Representative
- Fire Representative
- Other related Service Area Officers
- LNP members
- General public

Who to expect at a Health & People CAG

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- Health Representative
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