

Guidance No. 7 – The Basics of Asset Transfer

KEY AGENCIES OFFERING ASSET TRANSFER RELATED SUPPORT

Note:

Contact Involving Lincs on: enquiries@involvinglincs.org.uk to see if one of the Consortium members can give advice. The members represent infrastructure organisations across the County.

LOCAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS

Community Assets plus

Community Assets + is a charity formed to support small charitable and community organisations with their property needs. It can acquire, rent, own, manage or develop properties across Lincolnshire.

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Community Lincs

Community Lincs offers support across Lincolnshire to voluntary and community groups who currently manage a facility such as a building or play area or playing field. They also offer support to those considering taking on responsibility for managing a community facility including advice and training on running a community asset, fundraising, community engagement and legal structures. They also have access to a national network of experts in the fields of enterprise development and business planning.

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Horizon Community Development Limited (HCDL)

HCDL can provide generalist as well as professional/technical support, advice and guidance on any aspect of asset transfer, to both local authorities and community/voluntary organisations across Lincolnshire and nationally. Other related services include business development, social enterprise development and capacity building. They also specialise in providing advice and guidance on how community groups can use the Community Right to Build Order to acquire and/or develop community assets.

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Lincolnshire Community Land Trust (LCLT)

LCLT provides support to local communities in Lincolnshire to set up local Community Land Trusts and develop buildings and facilities that are important to the community. They assist communities with affordable homes for local people, public open space, commercial premises etc.

Main contact:

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Lincolnshire Community and Voluntary Service (Lincolnshire CVS)

Lincolnshire CVS provides Community Development support to groups across Boston Borough, East Lindsey, South Holland and South Kesteven. This covers a wide range of support provision including asset transfer related services if required.

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Lincolnshire Youth Association (LYA)/The Youth Development Association (YDA)

Lincolnshire Youth Association and YDA are the county association of youth clubs and projects and link to UK Youth. They provide support on management of community buildings and a range of corporate services covering constitution and insurance services, plus safeguarding and staff training for youth work. They work co-operatively with Lincolnshire Council for Voluntary Youth Services to provide a better service.

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Voluntary Centre Services

Voluntary Centre Services can help community organisations to identify their needs and find appropriate resources to move forward. They can enable groups to consider legal structures for a new project or community organization; develop aims, vision and a viable business plan; generate income and obtain funding; involve members of the community and establish a successful volunteer team; and find specialist help as required.

As well as one-to-one support for community organisations in Lincoln, North Kesteven and West Lindsey, they offer training workshops, networking events, news and funding updates, volunteer recruitment and easy access to research and reference materials.

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NATIONAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS

Community Matters

Community Matters provides support, advice and guidance to community groups across the country managing facilities. Other services include social value, quality standards and skills development. The organisation is member-led but their website contains useful information on community asset transfer.

For more information about Community Matters services visit www.communitymatters.org.uk; email info@communitymatters.org.uk or call 020 7837 7887

Locality

The Locality led [Asset Transfer Unit](http://www.atu.org.uk) is the leading provider of expert advice, guidance and support concerning the transfer of under-used land and buildings from the public sector to community ownership and management. The Unit has a wide range of tools and resources to help organisations to develop assets and deliver long-term social, economic and environmental benefits. These include legal, business planning and strategy support, as well as a help-line service.

For more information about how to access support from the Asset Transfer Unit visit www.atu.org.uk; email info@atu.org.uk or call 0845 345 4564.

Plunkett Foundation

Plunkett Foundation is a delivery partner alongside ACRE, Community Matters, Urban Forum, Locality and Anthony Collins solicitors to provide information and support for communities on the Right to Bid.

For more information about Plunkett Foundation visit www.plunkett.co.uk email: info@plunkett.co.uk or call 01993 810730