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# Keep it Local for Economic Resilience Workshop with Shropshire Council April 2017



## What is KIL4ER?

- Action research
- Working across 6 Local Authorities (rural/urban)
- Harnessing the potential of Community Anchor Organisations (CAOs) to build local economically resilient communities



#### **Economic Resilience**

Economic resilience is the capacity of an economic system to adapt to both shortterm shocks and long-term change, while supporting the community to thrive.

Working definition adapted from NEF/Friends Provident Foundation



## Why do we need a Resilience Framework?

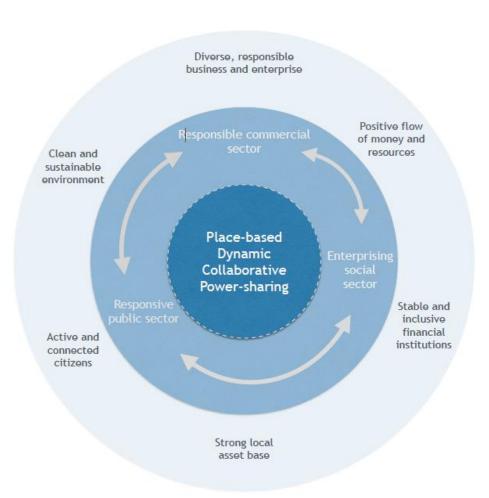
- LAs have demonstrated a strong desire for change
- Benefits of local commissioning
- Need to re-shape services and achieve cost savings
- Help CAOs to measure their resilience impact

- No consistent approach to commissioning (within LAs and across the wider landscape)
- Procurement vs. commissioning
- Can local organisations really 'step up'?
- Time and capacity of local officers
- Lots of different approaches

Help embed a consistent approach to decision making



## Locality's Economic Resilience Framework



#### **Principles:**

- It is place-based a resilient economy maximises the value of local assets
- It is dynamic a resilient economy adapts and changes
- It is collaborative a resilient economy depends on strong relationships between sectors
- It shares power a resilient economy harnesses the potential of all sectors and all citizens in a place



## **Economic Resilience**

Characteristic 1. Diverse, responsible business and enterprise, committed to place, growing the local economy and providing good quality employment. opportunities.

**Characteristic 2. Stable and inclusive financial institutions,** providing access to affordable finance and promoting financial capability.

**Characteristic 3. Positive flow of money and resources,** with long-term investment, a high local economic multiplier and public sector procurement local by default.

**Characteristic 4. Strong local asset base,** where local people are skilled, healthy and financially secure; and have access and control over productive resources.

Characteristic 5. Active and connected citizens, with good local access to public services, high levels of democratic participation, and a strong sense of community.

Characteristic 6. Clean and sustainable environment, operating within environmental limits and with strategies for sustainable use of food, land and energy.