

Would you like to collaborate with other CCIN members to find co-operative solutions to the challenges facing local government? Is there a co-operative prototype that you would like to run in your local area? If yes, we want to hear from you!

The CCIN work programme for the next twelve months will be member-led and owned by putting you, our network members, firmly in the driving seat. We are inviting you to propose work areas that you want the CCIN to focus on over the next 12 months. This could be anything from co-operative housing commissions to initiatives that put communities back at the heart of local decision making. We are open to all ideas, the more **innovative** the better!

The CCIN work programme will be divided into larger projects (called **Policy Labs**) and smaller projects (called **Policy Prototypes**). **Policy Labs** are bigger collaborative pieces of work that CCIN members will work on together. The **Policy Labs** will form the foundation of the CCIN’s annual work programme and will be approved by the EOC every six months. **Policy Prototypes** are smaller projects that you may want to deliver in your locality on behalf of the network. This could be anything from delivering a new co-operative campaign, to developing a co-operative app that helps residents’ access services differently.

So what do we need from you? We need all members to complete the expression of interest form below, telling us what you want the CCIN to deliver. Don’t be shy: we want to hear ideas from **ALL** our members. You can submit an idea for a **Policy Lab** or a **Policy Prototype** (or both if you are feeling inspired).

So what’s in it for you? If working on cutting edge collaborative co-operative projects wasn’t enough, we are also launching our Co-operative Innovation Fund to support the delivery of your **Policy Lab** or **Policy Prototype**. Perhaps you have a fantastic idea that you would love to try in your locality, well why not apply for up to £1,500 for a **Policy Prototype** and get it off the ground? Once approved **Policy Labs** will automatically be able to access up to £10,000 for project delivery. If you would like to apply for funding for a Policy Prototype please complete the Policy Prototype Expression of Interest Form.

Please return your completed EOI to [hello@councils.coop](mailto:hello@councils.coop).

**CCIN Member Authority:** Click here to enter text.

**Name of CCIN Lead Member:** Click here to enter text.

**Name and Job Title:** Click here to enter text.

**1. What is your idea?**

Provide details of what your proposed project is, the story of how you identified the need or opportunity for the proposal and how the money will be spent.

**2. Who will you work with?**

A key requirement of Policy Lab Funding (anything over £1,500) is that you work in partnership with other CCIN members. We recommend engaging a minimum of three other CCIN members to create a working group to support the development of your project. *\*If you are applying for the Policy Prototype Fund (anything under £1,500) you are not required to work with other CCIN members, though you are more than welcome to!\**

**3. What are the outcomes you hope to achieve?**

What are the outcomes you hope to achieve through this project and how will you know if your outcomes are achieved? What is your measure of success?

**4. How does your project support the aims and objectives of the Co-operative Councils Innovation Network?**

The Co-operative Councils Innovation Network aims to frame the debate on the future of sustainable solutions to public sector challenges. Our work will ultimately improve outcomes for communities by enabling members to develop radical innovation in policy and practice, sharing best practice and learning, and enabling innovators to chart new territory together. Please provide details of how your project will support this aim.

**5. How does your project demonstrate the Values and Principles of the Co-operative Councils Innovation Network?**

Our Network is based on the Co-operative values developed by the International Co-operative Alliance: “self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity… honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others”. Further details about the CCIN’s Values and Principles is available [here](http://www.councils.coop/about-us/our-values-and-principles/). Please provide details of how your project will demonstrate the CCIN’s Values and Principles.

**6. How will you share your learning with the Co-operative Councils Innovation Network?**

How will you share your learning with other CCIN members? How will you share your learning beyond the project? This could be through producing a report, holding a workshop or presenting at the CCIN’s annual showcase event.