Are we missing a trick? How Co-operative Development Bodies can help councils double the size of the co-operative economy

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Agenda

- A whistlestop tour of UK co-op development
- A little bit of history
- A quick overview of how CDBs are currently working with councils
- A chat...



CDBs

Approx 57 CDBs on Co-operatives UK directory

A period of challenge and renewal







The job

- Legal structures and governance
- Financial planning
- Marketing
- Social impact
- Community shares
- Networking



The business model

- How the work of co-op advisors is funded:
- The Hive
- Power to Change
 - Bright Ideas
 - More than a pub
 - Booster programme
- Others (inc. pro bono)





















Welcome to Equal Care Co-op.

We are an emerging care and support
platform co-operative starting in the
Calder Valley, UK.

We shall be recruiting soon. Watch this space!

We want to see a care and support system which puts the relationship between giver and receiver first, shares power and allows care and support to exist in abundance.

Find out more in this video Nesta made with us.







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WE SOCIALIZE BIKE DELIVERY

CoopCycle is the European federation of bike delivery coops. Governed democratically by coops, it enables them to stand united and to reduce their costs thanks to resources pooling. It creates a strong bargaining power to protect the bikers rights.

Discover our federation

WHO IS CONCERNED?

The CoopCycle federation is open to bike delivery actors respecting the values of social and fair economy.



CoopCycle



A bit of history

- In the 1980s there were approx 140 CDAs
- Many were partnerships with, and funded by, LA
- Strong focus on worker co-ops
- 5 left



Working with councils

- Preston
- Southampton
- Plymouth
- Calderdale



What do we think are the opportunities?



