**30/5/17 World Café discussion on Community Aspirations**

* Recognition that community groups very often look for a one contact person to take them through Asset Transfer process. Groups do not like to be passed "from pillar to post"
* The level of service a community group receives can vary greatly. Very often this is dependent on the willingness of the individual professional worker supporting the group and their knowledge, skills and abilities.
* There are some good examples across the 4 Councils of successful Asset Transfers. It would be a good idea to organise a future communities event where community groups experiences could be shared with others from across the 4 Councils.
* From a community perspective there is still not enough knowledge on the Act and opportunities it can open up for community groups.
* Participants see the Act as a good opportunity but acknowledged that very often it helps Councils dispose of buildings which are very often in poor condition and require work to be done.
* Most of the communities group discussions centred around Asset transfer. Very little discussion took place around other parts of the Act...e.g. participation requests, Allotments...
* Some staff are concerned that it is not clear about the different models of operation (Or the most appropriate) a community group may wish to pursue...e.g. Charitable Trusts, Company limited by Guarantee, SCVO's etc.
* There was a recognition that Service who communicate and work together provide a better service to community groups.

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