

## Proposal for my Year 2 Project

# A Collaborative Inquiry into sustainable models of Social Care

In October 2008 I produced a discussion paper called 'Stronger Communities Sustainable Lives' (Community Lives Consortium, 2008) as a prelude to my third learning paper.

This document was intended to start a collaborative inquiry with a cross section of stakeholders across the social care sector in Swansea.

This inquiry was built around the question;

- 🌍 Can we collaborate to find an approach to social care for Swansea which is economically, socially and environmentally sustainable? We will explore these approaches through a process of practical experimentation.

In mid January I presented this paper to the City and County of Swansea Social Services Planning Team and members of this team agreed to join this inquiry which will start in April 2009.

I would like this to be the basis of my second year learning project.

This inquiry will be conducted through a combination of monthly face to face meetings and collaborative web resources that I have agreed to set up. The group is currently particularly interested in co-productive methods of working and practice.

The agreement is to run the collaborative inquiry process initially for 6 months to enable us to:

- establish the group membership drawing in additional members in this period,
- further frame and consolidate the question
- to consider the opportunities for practical experimentation.

The group would be continued with agreement of group members.

## References

Community Lives Consortium. (2008, November). *Stronger Communities Sustainable Lives*. Retrieved from [www.communitylives.co.uk](http://www.communitylives.co.uk):  
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