

Dissent

Listening

Solidarity

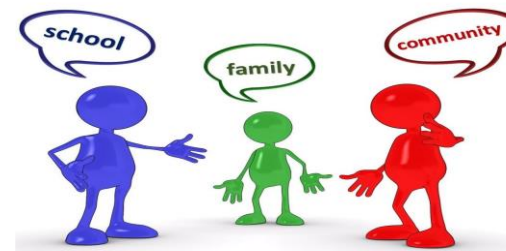
Community Voice

- Invite challenge
- Encourage participation
- Create space for those on the margins to speak back
- No holds barred



Community Conversations

- All invited to a seat at the table to listen to and share personal narratives
- Sense-making conversations that address asymmetries of power



Community Activism

- Negotiate partnership founded on equality
- Share responsibility
- Harness collective efficacy and project plan together
- Co-create community futures



Community capacity building process: first stages (what we do)...

Nature and method of challenge agreed at initial conversation - informed by your knowledge of your community.

One full day or more and evening(s) of open-invite community conversations facilitated, recorded, thematically analysed and comprehensively reported on by myself.

Sharing of key messages from series of conversations, further conversation, initial shared actions agreed - all recorded and reported on by myself.

"Apathy" is the label put on people who won't come to your meeting. Rather, people didn't want to bang their heads against a brick wall.

Saul Alinsky

"That's the difference from when we were at school. That's something that was never done, never done... teachers separate to parents. That whole division! There was that barrier. There was that Berlin Wall!"

Parent

"I am part of a cog here, I've got them interested in me and I've got me interested in me. You've got a functional machine rather than a dysfunctional machine because we are all in it together."

Parent