

Research with Darnall Well Being

Community research support to strengthen research and bridge gaps



We support researchers, universities, NHS organisations, charities and public-sector partners to meaningfully involve communities and the voluntary sector in research. We help researchers connect with diverse and underrepresented communities while supporting local people to access research opportunities that matter to them.

Our core offer

1 Community connections, awareness & access

- signposting and sharing research opportunities
- voluntary-sector and community networks
- participant matching
- PPIE and lived-experience representatives

2 Application & project set-up support

- community insight for funding and ethics applications
- inclusive recruitment and engagement strategies
- community scoping conversations
- early engagement with community and partner organisations

3 Recruitment & engagement delivery

- participant recruitment, consenting and support
- tailored outreach
- focus groups, interviews and events
- venues, scheduling and accessibility support
- open days and group recruitment

4 Community-led research delivery

- training and supporting community researchers
- co-facilitating interviews and focus groups
- data collection, co-analysis and community dissemination
- trained community researchers

5 Focus groups & community engagement events

- end-to-end planning
- recruitment of participants
- facilitation of sessions
- interpretation of findings
- sense-checking with communities
- community data interpretation workshops

6 Research partnership & co-production

- funding application development
- PPIE and advisory group support
- recruitment and engagement
- dissemination
- knowledge mobilisation
- evaluation and impact
- co-production of outputs/resources

Flexible support and indicative costs



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● Community connections awareness & access	£35/hour
● Application and project set-up	£35/hour
● Senior staff	£250/day
● Additional staff / Community researchers	£175-£200/day
● PPIE representative	£165/day
● Participant recruitment	from £35/person or £250/group
● Engagement programmes	£1,000-£4,000 depending on length
● Strategic partnership	from £8,000/year

*Costs vary depending on study complexity and recruitment requirements.

Why work with us?

- Trusted relationships with local communities
- Access to diverse and underrepresented groups
- Expertise in engagement and co-production
- Skilled community researchers and facilitators
- Improved recruitment, retention and inclusion
- Stronger research relevance, impact and dissemination



Talk to us about your research partnership