

SURF in 2017



Four interlinked workstreams



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Alliance for Action

Since 2013, SURF has been developing its highly successful 'Alliance for Action' programme. Based on a selected set of different disadvantaged places across Scotland, SURF's collaborative approach enhances cross sector investments and coordinates cooperative activities while sharing learning within and between the sites and partners. In 2017 SURF will build on its existing collaborations in Govan, Kirkcaldy and Rothesay, while developing up to three further sites of varied scale and context.

A new SURF Sector Connector service will directly link interested regeneration partners from all over Scotland into relevant, practical experience and learning from the full range of Alliance for Action places and activities.

In linking authentic local assets and initiatives to national policy and resources, SURF will support the work of national and local government by better informing policy and practice aimed at tackling poverty and enhancing inclusive growth.

Find out more at: www.surf.scot/projects/alliance-for-action

A Scottish Index of Multiple Assets and Aspirations (SIMAA)

Community activists within the SURF Alliance for Action areas and elsewhere have appealed for a more balanced depiction of their communities which are regularly designated as disadvantaged by the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation. SURF is responding by developing an index of assets and aspirations. SURF's SIMAA initiative is being produced in active cooperation with the relevant communities and with colleagues in the Scottish Government Community Analytical Services team who produce the SIMD statistics and analysis.

2017 25th Anniversary Annual Conference

This year SURF will host a special 25th Anniversary Conference on the topic of 'What has regeneration ever done for us?' Findings from a debate on 'Does regeneration work?' held in the spring will help shape themes for this event. Learn more about our Annual Conferences at:

www.surf.scot/knowledge-centre/annual-conferences

SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration

The 2017 SURF Awards will recognise and celebrate excellence in regeneration in thematic categories including Creative Regeneration, Employability, Most Improved Place, Housing and Community Led Regeneration. Application materials will launch in June with a closing date in September.

Meanwhile, in May, the four category winners of the 2016 SURF Awards will participate in a series of workshop events with the purpose of drawing out and sharing transferable lessons. More at:

www.surf.scot/surf-awards

Culture, Film and Regeneration

With support from Regional Screen Scotland, Scotland's Towns Partnership and other partners, SURF will creatively explore the opportunities for using historical film and current media to promote assets and ideas for connecting people, places and culture.

Read more at: www.surf.scot/projects/bridging-culture-and-regeneration

Social Enterprise

SURF will be supporting Resilient Scotland Ltd to deliver a learning symposium event for their enterprise investees. SURF will be reporting on learning from a recent evaluation of Resilient Scotland's investments in social enterprises. Find out more about their work at:

www.resilientscotland.org.uk

Online Magazine

SURF's online magazine features guest experts from SURF's network across Scotland, and further afield, who are invited to comment on topical matters in regeneration policy and practice under a quarterly theme. Read it on our website: www.surf.scot/scotregen-magazine

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