

Pathway to Partnership - Frequently Asked Questions

Where will the face to face sessions be held?

- The location for the face to face sessions will be selected based on the majority requests of the participants for the Pathway to Partnership course. – The location will be announced by March 2022 at the latest.
- We strongly encourage attendance in person as this allows for greater peer-to-peer interaction, learning and networking. However, a virtual option will be available should it not be possible to attend in person. These will be live streamed to anyone joining us virtually and will be a more interactive experience to yesterday's completely virtual day.

What dates will the sessions be held?

- The face-to-face dates are as below. The days have been selected based on the majority responses of the participants.
 - Wednesday – 11th May 2022
 - Wednesday – 13th July 2022
 - Wednesday – 12th October 2022
 - Wednesday – 7th December 2022
 - Wednesday – 8th February 2023
 - Wednesday - 26th April 2023
- Between full day training dates there will be 2-hour virtual events held during lunchtime 12:30-2pm.
 - Wednesday – 4th May 2022
 - Wednesday – 22nd June 2022
 - Wednesday – 14th September 2022
 - Wednesday – 9th November 2022
 - Wednesday – 18th January 2023
 - Wednesday – 15th March 2023
 - Wednesday – 5th July 2023

Will we be in one cohort and if so what is the size of the cohort?

- The full day sessions will be one cohort of a maximum of 50 participants. This will enable sharing of experiences and networking between partners.
- The 90 minute virtual events will be smaller groups of 8-12 partners, who work in the same region, to enable the development of local relationships and support network during and beyond the end of the programme.

Will the cohorts be from the same areas of the country or mixed?

- The programme is a national programme with full training days including participants from across England. The 90 minute virtual events are focused on developing more local connections between partners.

If I have a specific interest in one topic. Can I get to have more in-depth learning in that particular area e.g. finance

- The programme is structured around 3 pillars – Leadership, Strategy and Operations. If you have a particular interest in a specific subject, please share this in your 'Participant Goals' questionnaire. This will allow us to tailor elements of the course and add in additional material where necessary

How will the full day training events work?

As and when covid regulations allow, these events will be held in person. The events will include a teaching element where expert speakers on the topics for that day will provide interactive lectures. There will then be break-out sessions where groups will work on exercises using the approaches shared in the lectures. We strongly encourage attendance in person as this allows for greater peer-to-peer interaction, learning and networking. However, a virtual option will be available should it not be possible to attend in person.

- At the end of each training day, participants will be given a mini-project to complete at their practice, using the skills and information learned in the session.
- Progress on these mini-projects will be discussed during the virtual check-ins and the outputs from these will form the portfolio of work for each participant at the end of the programme.

How will the virtual check-ins work?

- The virtual check-ins will be a facilitated discussion on progress on the mini-projects between 8-12 locality selected participants.
- These sessions will develop a network of local partners, supporting each other through the programme and learning from each other whilst sharing experiences of applying the tools, techniques and learning from the programme.