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Background

Lancashire is embedding the nationally recognised Four Cornerstones Model of Co-production, developed by [Genuine Partnerships](#), to strengthen inclusive practice and deepen understanding of co-production across education, health, and care services.

This model is built on four values:

Welcome and Care

Value and include

Communicate

Work in Partnership.

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Why This Matters

The Four Cornerstones model is not just a framework, it's a commitment to genuine partnership working between children, young people, families, and practitioners. It aligns with the SEND Code of Practice and supports the co-creation of services that reflect lived experiences and shared priorities, and how we work together at all levels.

Lancashire's SEND Partnership has adapted the model to reflect local ambitions, with input from the Lancashire Parent Carer Forum (LPCF), POWAR children and young people's forum, and wider stakeholders.

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What Happens Next

Launch Plan: The model is being launched as part of the Communication and Engagement Strategy, with posters available, alongside this briefing.

Training & Induction: The model is being embedded into workforce development programmes, including the SEND Academy, "Let's Talk SEND" briefings and SEND Partnership Development Days.

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Supporting Materials

The following materials are available to support your engagement:

Communication and Engagement Strategy and delivery plan.

Genuine Partnerships Four Cornerstones original model:
<https://genuinepartnerships.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/The-Four-Cornerstones-Approach-to-Co-production.pdf>

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Questions to Consider

Reflective Questions for Team Meetings:

- How do our current practices align with the Four Cornerstones values?
- What steps can we take to further embed these values in our daily work?
- Would children and young people agree with our reflections and how do we know how it feels for them?

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Call to Action

- Pledge your support to the Four Cornerstones model [Here](#)
- Support us in shaping inclusive services across Lancashire.
- Your commitment will help ensure that children, young people, and families are at the heart of everything we do.

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Call to Action

We invite you to:

- Represent your organisation at the SEND Partnership Development Day to help shape how the model is implemented locally.
- Take the Four Cornerstones back to your organisation to reflect on how you currently work and could commit to embedding its values further.

