(Participation)

Establishing skills, standards and inclusive practice to improve government's participation offer to ensure people are involved in shaping policy and decision making

What we're doing

- Delivering on Scottish Government's commitments outlined in <u>the response</u> to the Institutionalising Participation and Deliberative Democracy working group's report. These aim to begin the processes of change to make participation routine and effective.
- Developing and embedding guidance around ethics, equity and safeguarding principles and standards in the <u>Participation Framework</u> and further guidance. The Framework acts as a good practice guide to support public sector staff to better engage with the public.
- Delivery of training sessions to help Scottish Government staff best use and apply guidance within the Participation Framework.

 Establishing a procurement framework for participation to support Scottish Government to commission trusted service providers to deliver meangingful and high quality participation.

• Ongoing review and devleopment of participation guidance for working with Children and Young People.

 Developing an active and inclusive Open Government Network for Participation to provide shared learning and training opportunities for Ministers, government officials and civil society.

• Testing a new digital engagement hub prototype to improve the public consultation process.

• Developing processes and guidance for paying and compensating for participant time.

