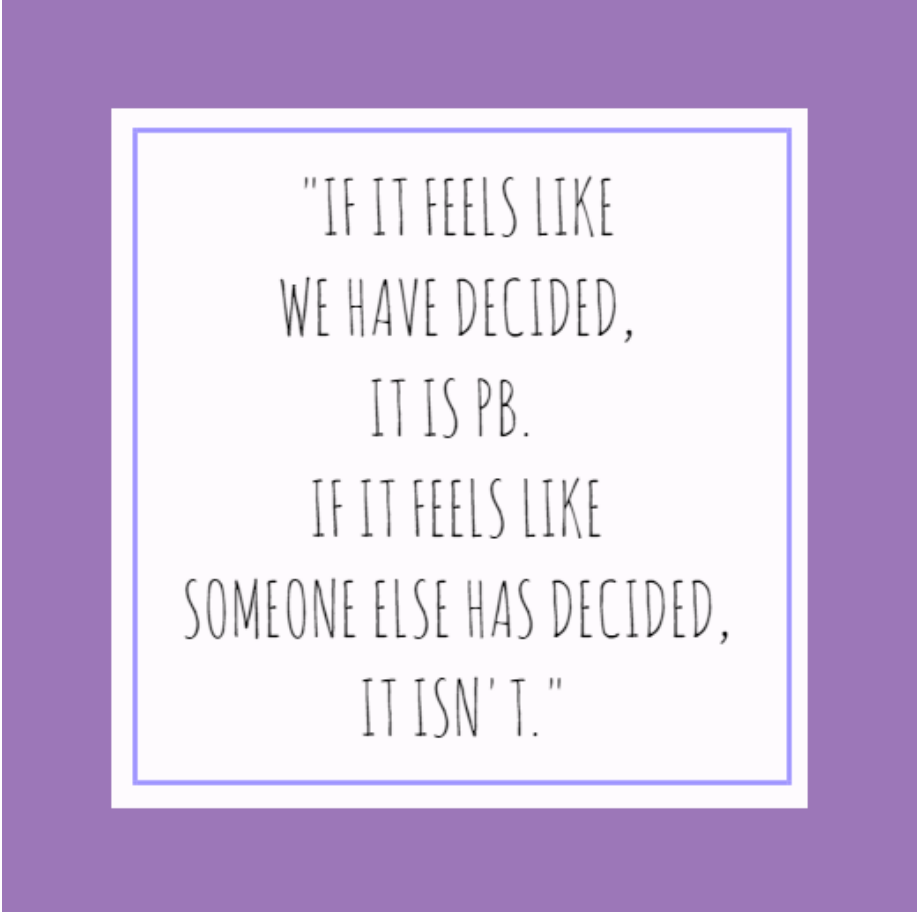


Participatory Budgeting in Fife

- Overview of activity in Fife between 2010 and 2017
- What is needed to scale up



"IF IT FEELS LIKE
WE HAVE DECIDED,
IT IS PB.
IF IT FEELS LIKE
SOMEONE ELSE HAS DECIDED,
IT ISN' T."

Participatory Budgeting in Fife

2010 to 2017



£850,460

1st Generation PB



25

PB processes



£34,018

per PB process



12%

Scottish Government



Projects targeted by theme and geography

£1,000 - £250,000



Funding varied greatly



56%

Glenrothes/
Cowdenbeath



44%

Disadvantaged areas



32%

Rural areas



Figure 4 – Area Distribution of individual PB processes in Fife 2010-17

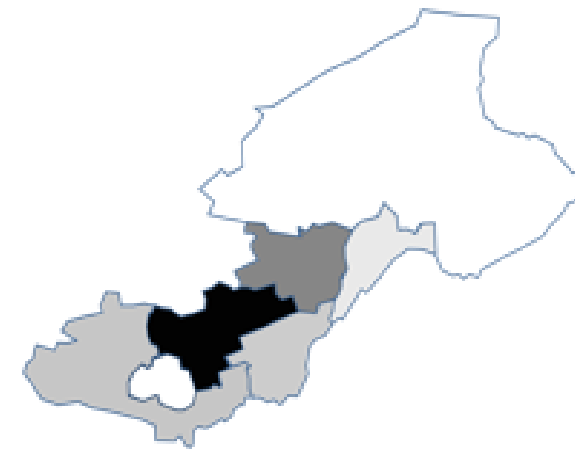


Figure 5 – Area Distribution of Total funds allocated through PB in Fife 2010-17

Community GAINS Event 27th August 2010

Rothes Halls



Some Happy Groups



Timeline for development of Participatory Budgeting in Fife



Figure 3 – Timeline for development of Participatory Budgeting in Fife, 2010 to 2017

Budget Allocation for Participatory Budgeting

Table 1 – Evolution of PB in Fife over time by Area

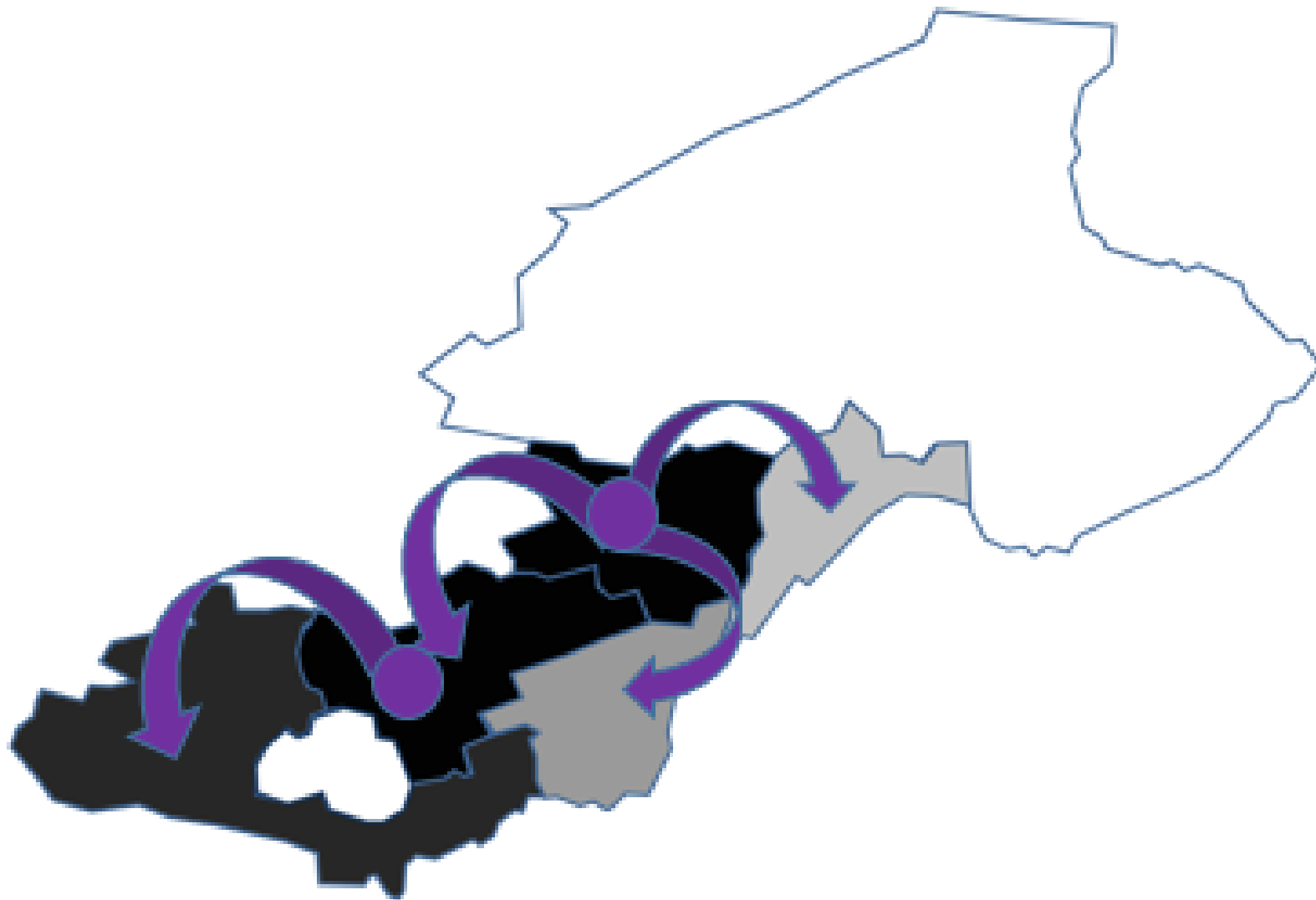
Area	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	Total
Glenrothes	£30,000	£90,000	£50,000			£10,000	£20,000	£200,000
Kirkcaldy		£30,000	£50,000			£15,000		£95,000
South West Fife			£12,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£61,000	£103,000
Cowdenbeath				£20,000	£30,000	£30,000	£320,000	£400,000
Levenmouth						£40,000	£12,460	£52,460
Dunfermline								£0
North East Fife								£0
Fife Total	£30,000	£120,000	£112,000	£30,000	£40,000	£105,000	£413,460	£850,460

Table 2 – Annual average allocation via PB by Area, and how this relates to Total Area Budget

Area	Nº of PB processes	Area Total	Annual average (2010-2017)	Estimated proportion of Total Annual Area Budget
Glenrothes	7	£200,000	£28,571	1.8%
Kirkcaldy	3	£95,000	£13,571	0.9%
South West Fife	6	£103,000	£14,714	0.9%
Cowdenbeath	7	£400,000	£57,143	3.6%
Levenmouth	2	£52,460	£7,494	0.5%
Dunfermline	0	£0	£0	0.0%
North East Fife	0	£0	£0	0.0%
Fife Total	25	£850,460	£121,494	7.7%
				£1,570,000

Viral Spread of Participatory Budgeting in Fife

How the movement of people and ideas transferred PB capacity to other areas



Benefits of Participatory Budgeting

- Better decisions
- Cost-effective approaches
- Local ownership
- Sustainable solutions
- Integrated services and
- An empowered citizenship

Influence and Sense of Control is low in Fife

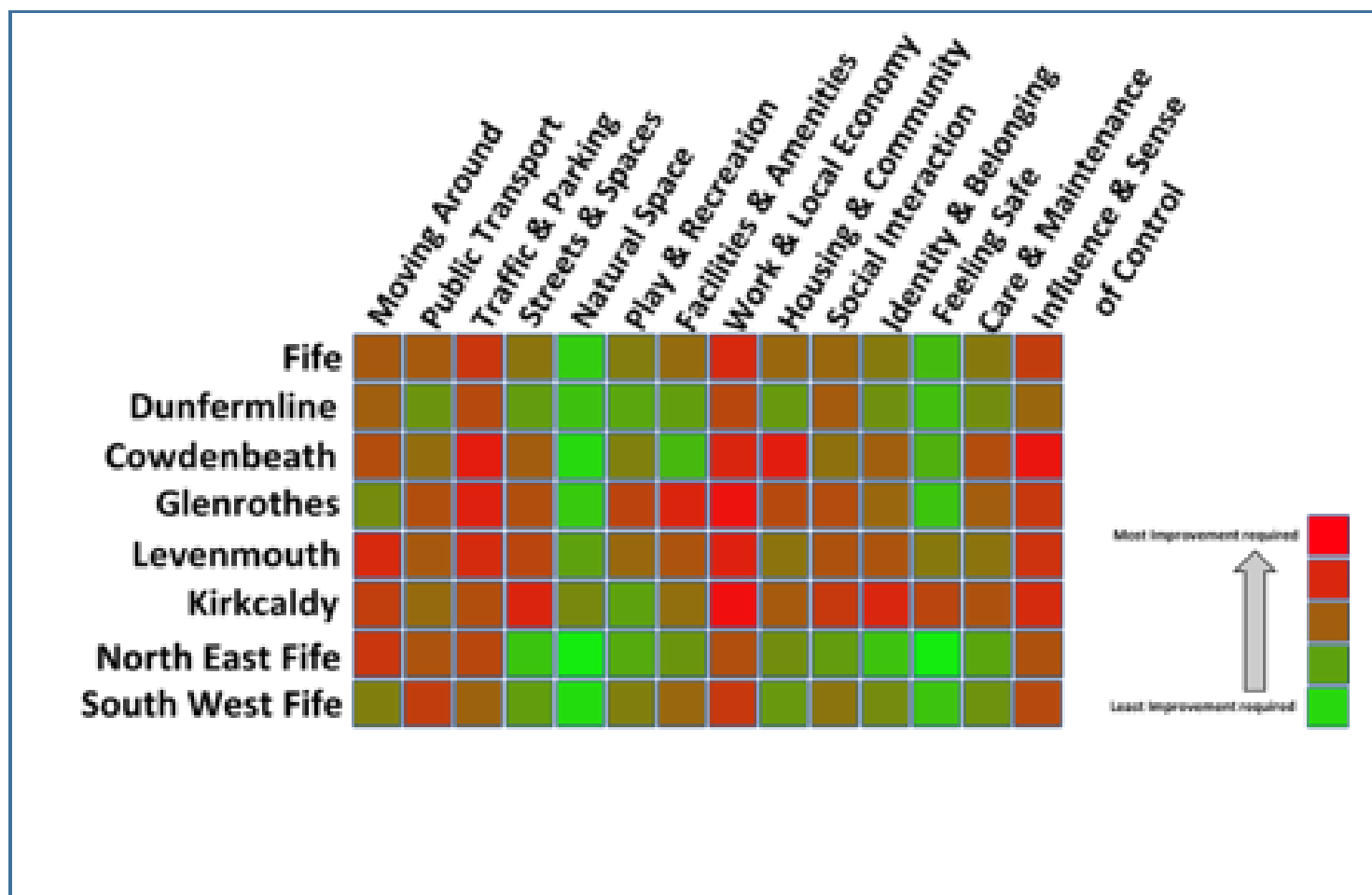
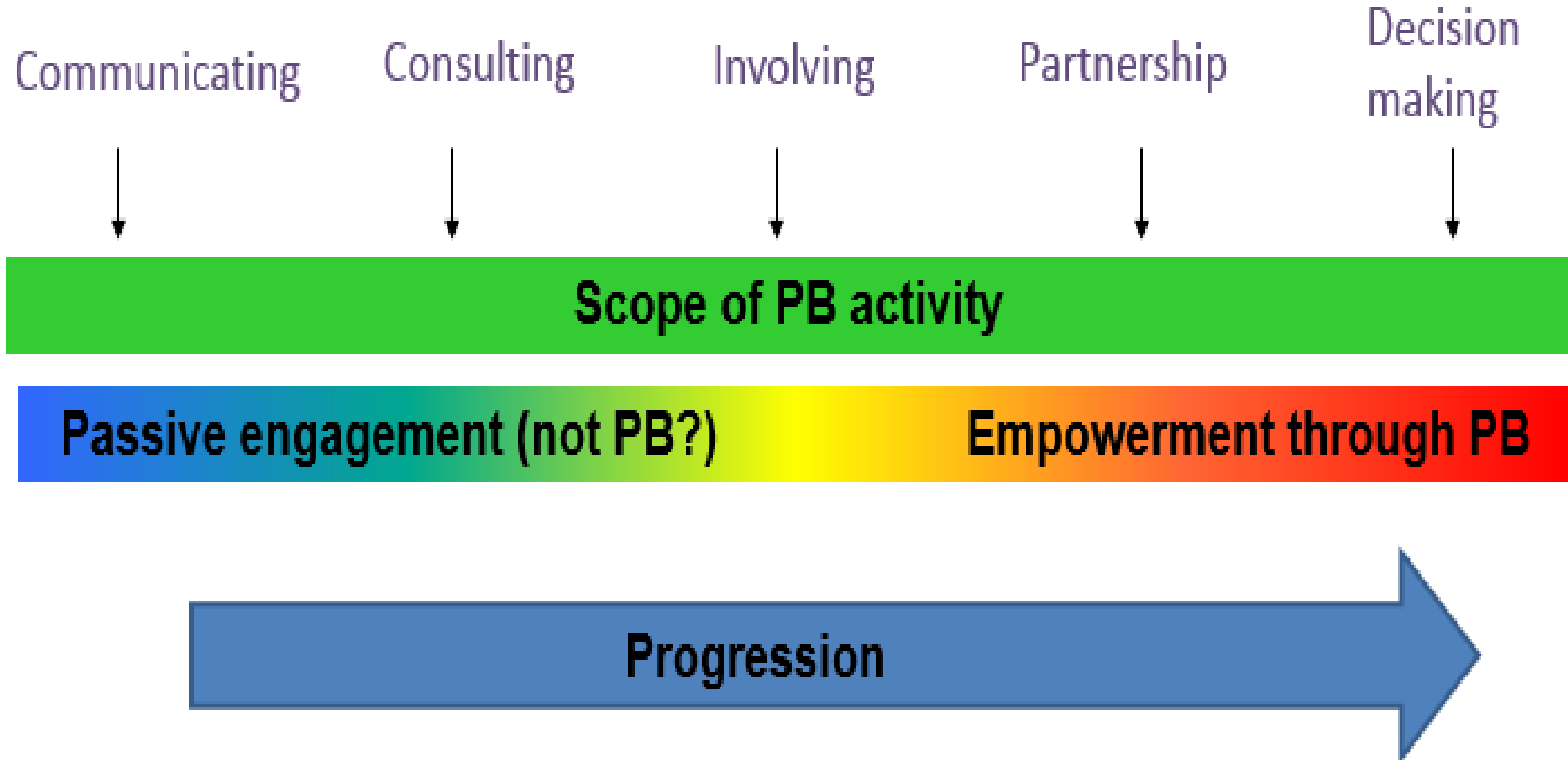


Figure 8.3 Colour Shaded Diagram of how different aspects of Place are viewed across Fife

Different types of participation, all of which can be done in a more empowering way



PB in Scotland is evolving...

Generation	PB as...	How used	What this looks like
1 st Gen	Policy Device	As a tool for community engagement	Small grants
2 nd Gen	Policy Instrument	To transform / reorient the relationship between citizen and state	Deliberation and dialogue

Community Choices Budgeting Framework

'Community Choices budgeting supports a democratic and engaged citizenship by enabling local people to have a direct say in how a defined public budget can be used to address their priorities. It is one method of community engagement that can be used alongside other models of empowerment as part of a wider approach to advancing participatory democracy.'

Target: 1% of local authority budget allocated through PB from 2020/21

1% = total estimated expenditure for revenue* minus assumed council tax intake.'

* as per the local government finance circular

What is needed to scale up PB in Fife?

- 1. High level buy-in**
- 2. Budget**
- 3. Commitment of staff time and resources**
- 4. Resolve the presentism v online debate**
- 5. PB as a way of working**

Scenarios for mainstreaming

- 1. Area Transportation Work Plan**
- 2. Involving young people in service design/delivery**
- 3. Capital Programme**
- 4. Area Capital Budget**
- 5. Joint resourcing by Community Planning partners**

Tests of Change

- 1. Devolved School Budgets/Pupil Equity Fund**
- 2. Reality Check Development**
- 3. Procurement**

Lessons Learned

- Nice to do doesn't cut it – Political requirement drives Service buy-in
- Consistent and coherent branding is imperative
- Repetition leads to credibility, ownership and momentum
- Senior Officer leadership makes the difference
- It's resource intensive – opportunity cost