

## Transforming Local Systems: The national conference for the MEAM Approach network

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There's been quantifiable & unquantifiable outcomes, changes & success.  
We hope for fluid & personalised budgets sharing learning already assessed.  
To stay happy & healthy maintaining changes & inspire others to do the same.  
Securing funding for projects across the board which allow people to life's chaos tame.  
Brunch club with staff & service users sharing companionship & conversation.  
Opportunities to come together as equals improving engagement situation.

Combining agendas to create solutions which bring changes vast & small.  
Developing hubs where holistic approaches are applied hearing voice of all.  
Commitment from partners in community better understanding of complexity  
We are all complex beings but brightness & success from all we can see.  
There was a wealth of successes & hopes given too many for me to all show.  
Creating partnerships & friendships allowing all to contribute, build & grow.  
Better working relationships, people taken seriously, asking service users for views.  
Strengthening relationships with improved communications to help when things confuse.  
Long lasting system changes with user informed alliance commissioning to assist.  
Recruiting experts by experience allowing better communication to see through the mist.  
Commissioning for complexity embedded: for some a hope, others a success.  
Learning together in partnerships peer research giving all a chance to assess.  
Allowing a positive error culture learning from what went wrong, why & how?  
Working towards a better future for all with plans & action now.  
Secure long-term funding for next phase developments make documents to be read.  
Being creative with our approaches allowing more to be user led.  
More open-mindedness & fairer representation might help us to get along.  
Working on making things work what was right & what went wrong?  
Job centres being more welcoming to those with multiple complex needs in life  
together making things work better overcoming challenges & combating strife.

Experts by experience in different teams, boards & roles being heard & respected  
Co-produced services funded & meeting needs of people in spite of the chaos that's Brexit.  
Hubs developed which holistically help as we reinvigorate partnerships.  
Effective commissioning strategies which allow time to build trusting relationships.  
Psychologically informed environments coordinated integrated support.  
Set-up tactical operation groups helping bring change. Sharing what's taught.  
Open dialogue allowing us to learn together & overcome barriers creatively.  
Seeing clients move forward positively with their lives is wonderful to see.  
Rewriting system change action plans collaboratively. Better co-production.  
An effective strategy which offers support & brings homelessness reduction.  
Reducing cost in crisis presentations through work we do. The impacts real.  
Providing forums for people to be heard & express how things are as they feel.  
People are complex across the board it's part of being human the chaos inside.  
We all have issues & need support of community even with a safe place to reside.  
Out of an ideological wilderness we came together to share, learn & grow.  
So many successes they overwhelmed but they're great to see & show.  
We hope for a brighter future. Developing positively together.  
Thank you for all the work you do. It's a really worthwhile endeavour.  
There's been much transformation & we all hope for more.  
Working collaboratively can be challenging but shouldn't be a chore  
Thanks for all your contributions there was far too many for me to include.  
I tried my best with what I had to create this so the day we could conclude.  
There's much to do in future continuing to build on the work we've done.  
You'll be glad to know we've reached the end. I hope you've all had fun!