Community Research and Engagement Network (COREN) – connection communities and researchers

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History of the COREN

CLAHRC → ARC

Neighbourhood Resilience Programme → COREN

10 x Neighbourhoods for Learning

10 X CORENs

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**COREN 1.0  Hello COREN 2.0**

- Obviously it’s sad, but good things come to an end.

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<td>Networks to help elevate community voices in research.</td>
<td>Network to connect researchers/academics/ARC staff with community ‘third sector’ organisations and other key partners</td>
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<td>Why?</td>
<td>People know their communities!</td>
<td>Organisations know communities and use research!</td>
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COREN 2.0

To create a platform for research to be developed and disseminated through working together and sharing our knowledge and expertise

Symbiosis, mutually evolving, mutually beneficial relationship between researchers and community organisations

Researcher “I need [insert one-sided need here] I’ll go to x organisation they’re a charity after all”

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NIHR | National Institute for Health Research
The co-ordination group

Third sector representatives
Public advisors
COREN Manager
Academic lead
## Work of the COREN

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<td>Opportunities for: Funding Involvement in research projects Contributions to and positions on boards. <strong>Support from co-ordination group with following these up.</strong> Opportunities to Attend events/workshops/seminars, for example on community insight</td>
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For the future….

Facilitating ‘engaged research’

Regular meetings – ‘take it to the COREN’ - community insight/research need, or ‘early doors’ research ideas from ARC staff
Programme for small pieces of research – e.g. pairing up students with organisations

Research training for ‘third sector’ organisations

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