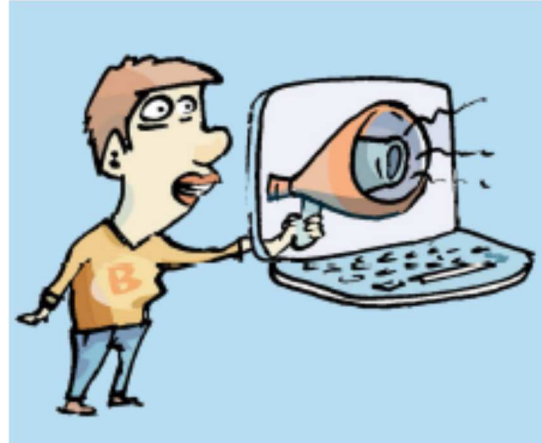
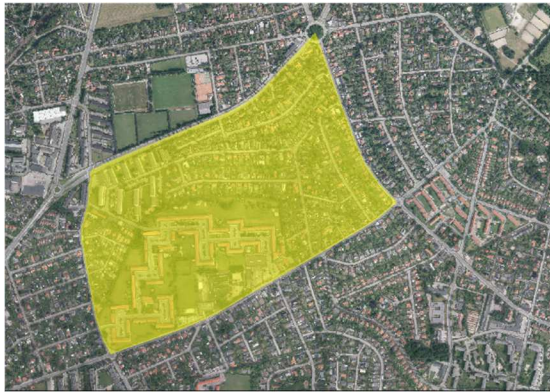


Rundhøj Neighborhood

CHANGE! Good practice factsheet

Image/photo of good practice/initiative



Description of the good practice /initiative: history, activities, number of involved people, territorial scope, current scale, future plans, impact and benefits (**Max. 400 words**)

A group of local residents in Rundhøj have decided to make a joint effort to strengthen local community cohesion, local commitment and the good life in the Rundhøj neighbourhood.

Rundhøj is a city district just outside central Aarhus. It is a highly diverse neighbourhood with private homes of many different types, public institutions and small businesses. Rundhøj is considered an attractive neighbourhood but there are also certain community challenges well known from more exposed areas.

A coherent local community requires true sense of community
"The Rundhøj district and the good life" shows how citizens, local authorities, educational institutions and politicians can cooperate in a joint process to solve community challenges - which none of the parties could otherwise solve on their own.

"The Rundhøj district and the good life" is a citizen driven project which in many ways challenges traditional roles and responsibilities and our normal ways of working.

Brief description of how the specific **local public service** has been **challenged** (with figures, if possible)

Our ambition is to create a strong cooperation across systems and boundaries, which often is the main barrier for strengthen community cohesion – both organisational and economic. We want to strengthen the local involvement, the local communities and the political dialogue between citizens and city council.



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Role of the municipality within the process (e.g. how the municipality facilitates or coordinates the process to systematise/upscale a civic initiative)

New roles and responsibilities: the citizens in Rundhøj will be the primary drivers in building bridges, creating networks, promoting progress, disseminating communication and making sure that the development process engages the citizens of Rundhøj.

Local citizens who are not able to take a stand in the debates will be offered a voice, and the citizens who find it difficult to be included will be helped participate in the process.

Aarhus City Administrations, VIA University College and Urban Goods consultants assist in planning, idea generation, funding application, communication, knowledge building and learning outcomes for the future. The citizens in Rundhøj - including businesses, educational institutions, associations, etc. will participate in the process as ambassadors for their core areas and key issues.

Key attributes (success factors) enabling (municipal) staff to implement the project successfully

Knowledge sharing - the Rundhøj project will be a source of knowledge, learning and new methods to be disseminated both at local, national and international scale.