

## WHAT ARE THE SKILLS AND QUALITIES NEEDED TO BE A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST?

**Think about Community Activists that you know?**

**What is it that makes them successful?**

**What skills and qualities do they possess?**

**Below is a range of skills and personal qualities that have been suggested as being important for Community Activists.**

Some of these you may agree with, some you may choose to discount, and you can always add your own.

In groups of 4 discuss the qualities you think are most important and come up with a list of 10-15 which you can all agree with.

*confident*                      *involved in politics*                      *popular*  
*well educated*                      *a strong leader*                      *diplomatic*  
*has good local knowledge*                      *brave*                      *out-going*                      *volunteers*  
*can chair meetings*                      *knows what they want*                      *has vision*  
*determined*                      *understands the needs of others*                      *friendly*  
*good listener*                      *good at public speaking*                      *can keep a secret*  
*can use a computer*                      *empathy with others*                      *a people person*  
*attractive*                      *honest*                      *ambitious*                      *hard-working*  
*gets on with everyone*                      *a good communicator*                      *trustworthy*  
*votes in elections*                      *knows a lot of people*                      *has connections*

**WHAT ELSE....**

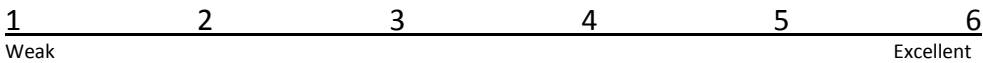
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**Thinking about the previous conversations...  
How would YOU define a Community Activist?**

**What do YOU think are the most important qualities for the type of Community Activist you would like to be?**

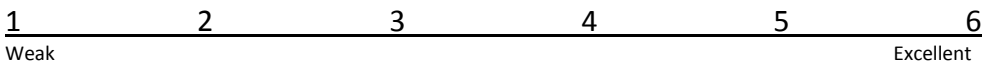
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How would you rate your skills at the moment?



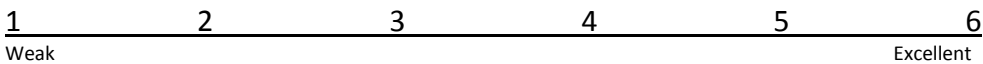
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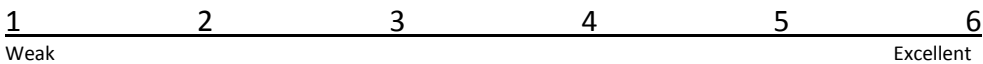
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How would you rate your skills at the moment?



4) .....

How would you rate your skills at the moment?



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5) .....

How would you rate your skills at the moment?

1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6

Weak

Excellent

How do you think you have learned or developed the skills you have acquired?

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