

# The KTP project

## Knowledge Transfer Partnerships

The North Alliance (NA) in partnership with the University of Aberdeen carried out a KTP project to develop, run and evaluate an online learning environment that would serve the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) needs of the Community Learning and Development (CLD) workforce within the NA's partnership areas. The aim was for the online learning environment to support other methods of CPD like action learning sets, study visits and conferences as part of a blended learning approach.

To ensure that the online learning environment serves the CLD workforces CPD needs extensive Action Research was carried out. The initial research process involved asking CLD practitioners about their organisation, their role within it, their perceptions and experiences of online learning, their views about how we might encourage people to participate in online learning, their experiences of CPD so far and any CPD training they could deliver. As a result of this research we produced a [Scoping Study](#) report.

We used this research to inform the development of a pilot online learning programme which became the miniMOOC in [Supporting Community Empowerment](#). Following on from the miniMOOC, we produced aMOOC in [Managing and Surviving Change](#).