**Connecting and Consenting**

If you intend reaching out to connect to new people, or to introduce new opportunities to generate and share perspectives, use these prompts to think through the basics.

**Create accessible information about:**

* Your organisation, project and aims
* How you work with other people
* Consent, Confidentiality, Safeguarding
* What people may get out of taking part
* What activities you may be offering (look at the other activity sheets for ideas)
* How people can find out more and ask question
* Your risk assessment, and any mitigation measures (some groups may need to see this)
* How you will keep safe the consent forms from everyone and emergency contact details if needs be

**Being inclusive of diverse community members and stakeholders**

* Share information with community members of all ages
* Reach out through organisations that work with people who face discrimination and disadvantage so that you can be more inclusive
* Connect to people who make decisions about landscapes – the sooner you engage with them the more they are likely to respond positively to any later requests for action
* Set up opportunities and activities in places where people go so that you can meet them on their own ground and then invite them into more unfamiliar spaces,

**Use the feedback you are given**

* Ask people for their ideas about the opportunities you are offering
* Be prepared to change and cocreate activities you have proposed or to attend their events to support their priorities
* Act on people’s ideas so that you build trust within these networks