

The logo features the words "OUR DEMOCRACY" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font. The word "OUR" is partially overlaid by a graphic of several hands in various colors (blue, red, grey) reaching towards each other, symbolizing collaboration and democracy.

OUR DEMOCRACY

**ACT AS IF WE
OWN THE PLACE.**



COUNCIL REPORT

The Our Democracy Campaign

Our Democracy is a coalition of agencies and campaigners determined to make Scotland's local democracy work better. The campaign is based on a simple principle; that people flourish when they have the most control over their lives. Do current cultures and systems of local democracy act to encourage or to limit this? Our Democracy is helping to organise a series of 'Act As If Councils' around Scotland. These 'Act as if Councils' are local, self-selecting, deliberative forums organised in partnership with a broad range of different local organisations, where people can discuss and imagine what it would be like to run their place and what they might do if they had the power.



The Place and the Process





Problem Identification

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Learning Phase

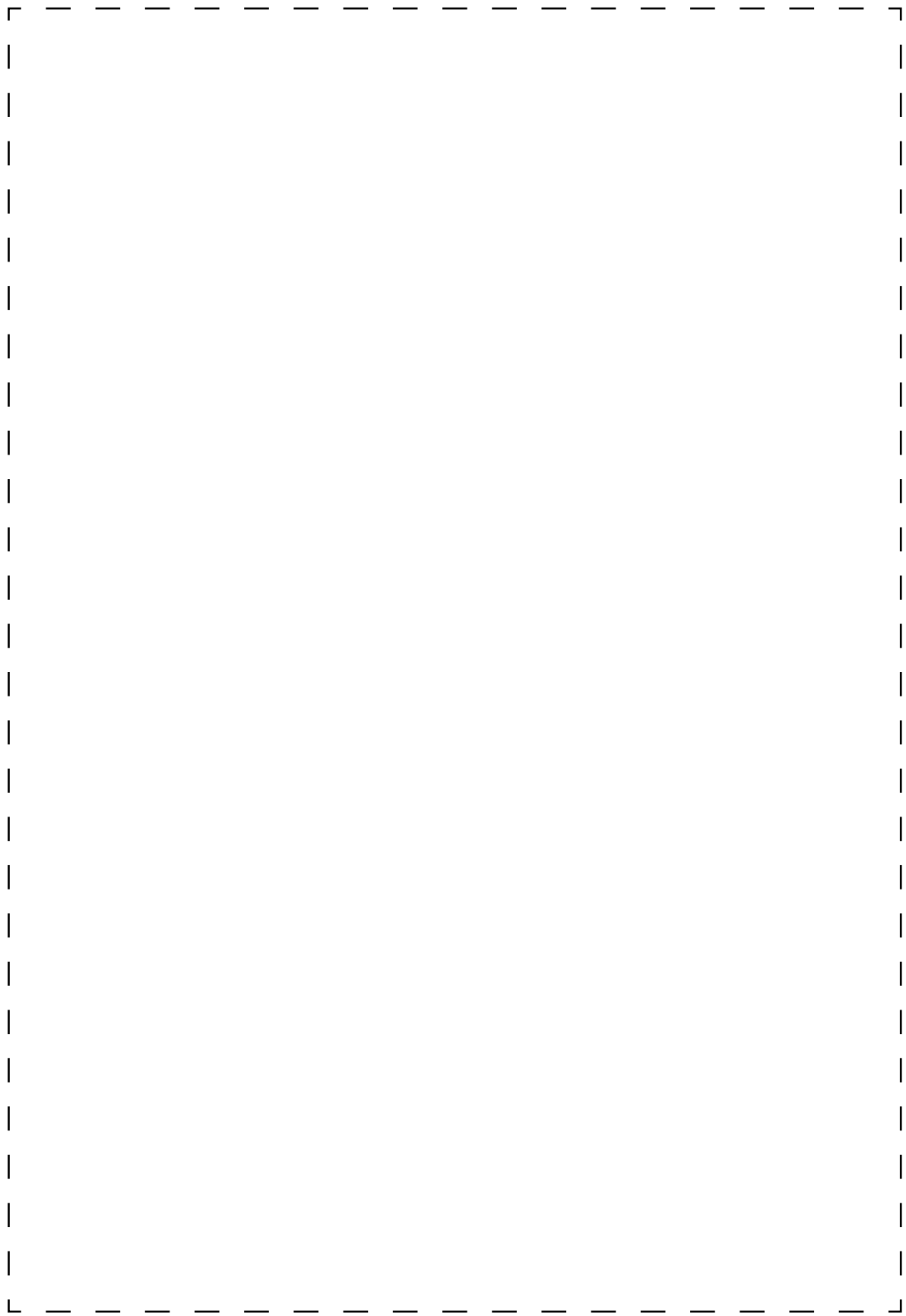


Improving Local Democracy



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What now?

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