

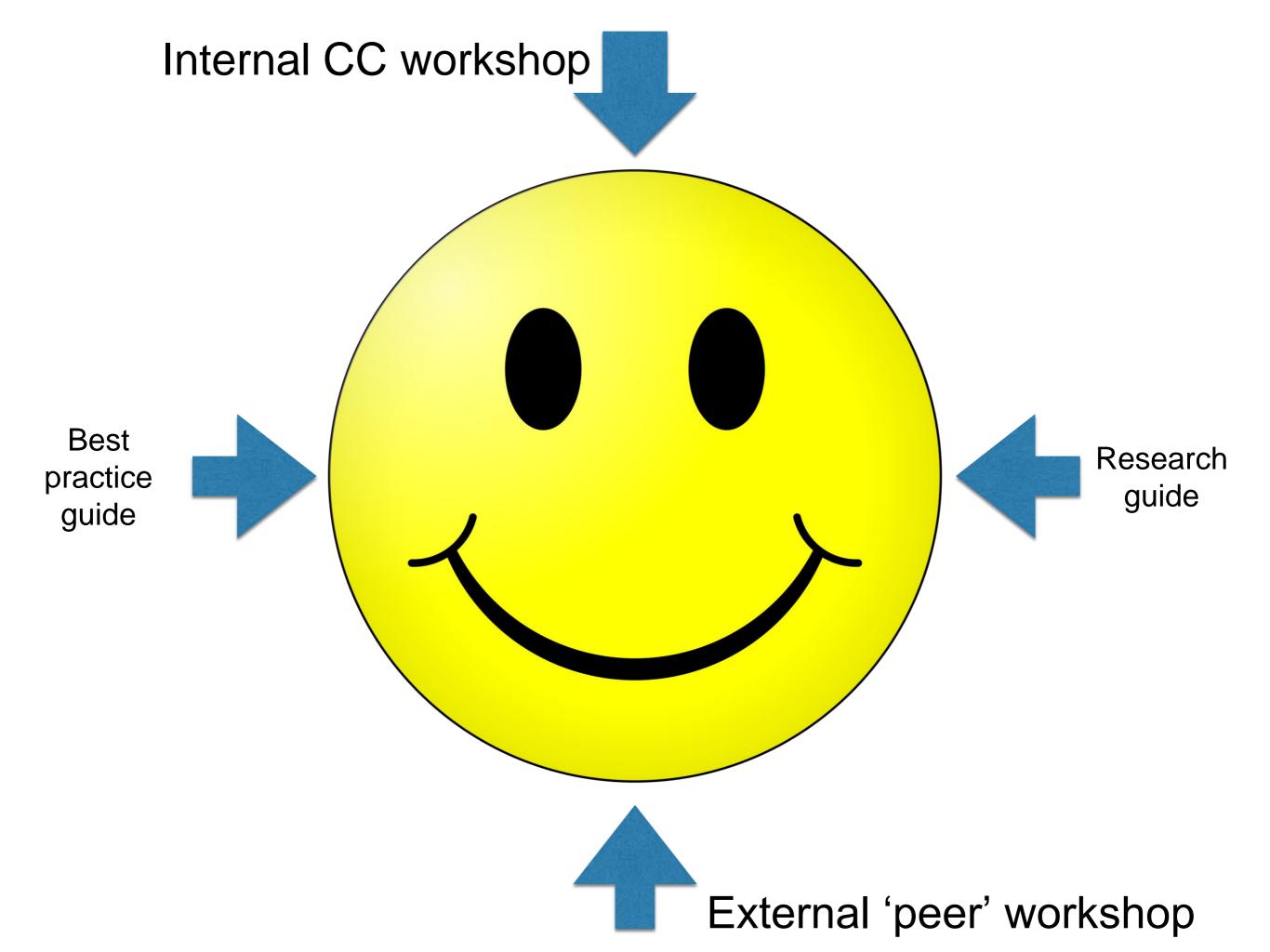




Human Health and Wellbeing Value of Nature: the Local Government Context

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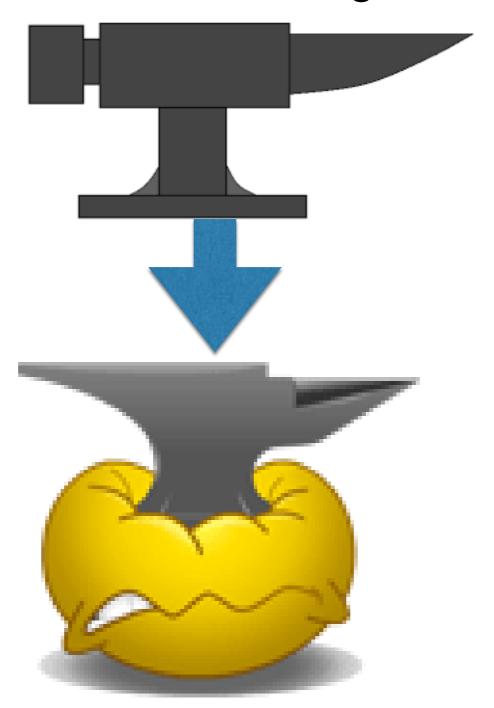




Local politics

Austerity budgets

Structural failings



But...

3/4 ain't bad

- the joy of the unexpected
- something has been let loose...
 - a new partnership
 - an entirely new direction; a service hub
 - a regional network



- relationships are more meaningful if they are unrestrained
- nature is already valued; the trick is to express that value. If the value is in sterling, then...
 - squeamishness has to be challenged before it can be overcome.
- a lack of money is an opportunity for nature (re-)evaluation, in theory. In practice, it takes weeks to capture the attention of the valuators.



