Pathways to a representative democracy “with the people”

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| Component Steps for the Community | Key Principles | Possible Mechanisms used to achieve the Steps |
| securing responsiveness of the MP | Relationship and trust building, Responsiveness, transparency, accountabiity | Regular visits to, and communications with MPs,Invitations to MPs to participate in Kitchen Table Conversations (KTCs) |
| deciding on issues where change is needed | Deep deliberation & listening | KTCs |
| community prioritising: determining the urgency and comparative importance of issues | Deep deliberation & listening | KTCs |
| sourcing broad-based information on the issue  | ReliabilityDiversity Open mindedness |  |
| including all stakeholder perspectives | Inclusiveness,Diversity, fairness |  |
| deliberating the issue  | Integrity of process,OECD Principles of Good Practice used throughout the deliberative process | Mini-public held at random,Mini-public followed by referendum,mini-public as part of an Institutionalised participative democracy system (Ostbelgien),Planning cell (Germany)Town Hall deliberation (ACT)etc |
| including diversity of participants | Diversity, representativeness, inclusion of under-represented groups | Random selection followed by sortition process,Discursive representation |
| ensuring transparency of the deliberative process | transparency |  |
| including broad community input into the deliberative process | Inclusionrelationship | MPs and representatives of stakeholders are invited to attend the deliberative process as observers only. |
| determining whether concensus has been reached | equity |  |
| getting community voice to the MPs | relationship | Community Panel members present and speak to the mini-public recommendations when they are first presented to Parliament. All relevant MPs have been invited to attend. |
| getting feedback from MPs about the recommendations | accountability | feedback mechanism |
| being involved in the implementation phase in an ongoing way | inclusion |  |
| ensuring independent evaluation of the process  | Independenceobjectivity | Community Panel members are present in Parliament and speak to the recommendations from the deliberative process when they are presented, and ongoingly throughout the implementation phase (as per the Ostbelgien model). |
| Providing ongoing accountability to the whole community  | AccountabilityRelationshipTrust building | feedback mechanism |