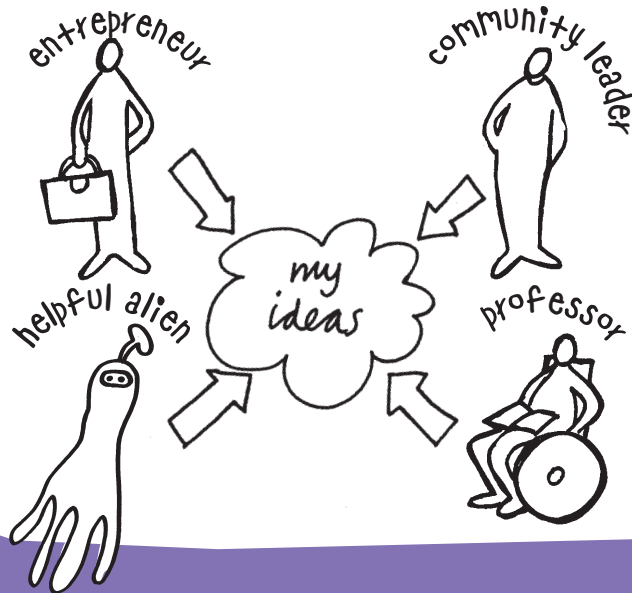


From different perspectives

What is the tool?

This tool is a way to create possible ways to achieve your outcomes by thinking from different perspectives.



How can it help me with my support plan?

This tool is another way creating options for you to consider for your support plan. By thinking about your outcomes from the viewpoint of different people you can generate more creative ideas and possibilities. Once you have a wide range of possibilities you can evaluate what is practical and possible to put into your support plan.



How can I use this?

This approach is based used with a group of people who you invite to help you think about options and possibilities. You can ask family, friends, contacts and professionals to meet with you and think about different perspectives.

- 1 Either think about what you want to change overall, or take each outcome in turn.
- 2 Choose what perspectives make most sense to you:
 - Some people like to include a guess at an aliens or angels perspective to help them think creatively.
 - Some people find it helpful to think of actual people, for example, if someone with a huge brain like Stephen Harkins helping us, what might he say, or if Richard Branson was here and helping us, what might he say?

- 3 If you have friends and family helping you ask, take each perspective in turn, and ask the group to think about the outcome you want to achieve, and list all the possibilities that a business executive may come up with.
- 4 List them all without commenting or judging them (it is good to write them on poster paper in different colours). Encourage people to be radical, wacky and creative.
- 5 Move onto another perspective, and repeat, recording the ideas on another sheet of paper.

You may even choose to invite contacts you know who actually come from the perspectives that you want to explore (for example, your local community leader, a business professional, someone from a faith community). The purpose is to either have people thinking from different perspectives or actually have the different perspectives in the room, who would each see different possible solutions.

When you have got all the possibilities listed, then look all the ideas, and see which ones could be worth exploring or developing for your support plan.