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# SPEAKOUT

## The Step-by-Step Guide to SpeakOuts and Community Workshops

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### ABOUT THE BOOK

Finding specific advice on inclusive processes for engaging a community in a planning or design process can be a daunting undertaking. The latest offering in the *Tools for Community Planning Series* is the product of two decades of successful practice by internationally acclaimed community planning specialists. It is designed to support veterans and people with little or no experience to conduct a wide variety of community engagement events with absolute confidence.

The book introduces the SpeakOut, an innovative, interactive drop-in engagement process. It provides hands-on, systematic guidance and detailed checklists for managing community engagement processes, as well as targeted advice on facilitation, recording and training. Five international case studies are included. This unique, illustrated manual is a 'must-have' tool for community, city and regional planners, activists, community organizations, students in planning and the other land professions and workshop facilitators and trainers everywhere.

*This sourcebook of designing for meaningful community participation offers many lessons as a research tool for people in the design fields – as well as being a means of building community and invigorating civic engagement in itself.*

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