##### A Network of Community Facilities

##### [00:16] – Annette Littlejohn

Community facilities are really important as part of a network of assets. They are great places for community to come together all age ranges, young to old. They provide connection, well-being, opportunities to meet.

Within the Slewyn district, we have around 30 community centers and halls, and so how we plan for them, from an asset management perspective, is we have some overarching strategies and policies that talk about how we view our community centers as a network, so how can they best be utilised across the whole district by all the different groups that may be interested in using them.

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We try to provide abilities for community to use them for maybe meetings or play groups and musical groups. There might be opportunities for sports groups.

A lot of schools use them for prize giving’s and then in some of them now we're looking at opportunities where some people might rent them for meetings or presentations, and also some of them might have cafes, et cetera, associated with them, where there's a small business running alongside.

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Utilisation in terms of community centers and halls, is trying to find ways to make sure that the building that you have can be optimally occupied in the best way possible that also meets the needs of your community. So that means that you may have multiple different events, and multiple different age ranges, using the same facility.