ECCT Facilities Principles Checklist: 3. Partnerships

Objective: To ensure the **right relationships** are in place **to build/operate the facility**. The project should be underpinned by cohesive and constructive stakeholder partnerships that have a proactive emphasis for maximum resource use and maximum community benefit. This will ultimately enhance the efficiency and sustainability of the facility. Partnerships include community engagement and input into the project development stage.

Principle	Considerations

Partnerships	**Is the right mix of skills within the project team or between partners to a) deliver the project, and b) to operate and maintain the facility effectively?**
	
	• Does the project require cooperation between various parties to enable it to be successful or sustainable?
	
	• If cooperation is needed, who needs to be involved and how?
	  – Previous involvement
	  – Involvement now
	  – Involvement in the future
	
	• If not, why is cooperation **not** needed?
	
	• Is there any formal documentation in place that demonstrates the security, strength, and parameters of these partnerships?

Community awareness	**Have facility users and the community been suitably involved in the project?** [1] How has each group been involved? Please describe: 1. inform 2. consult 3. involve 4. collaborate 5. empower Circle the levels on the engagement continuum and describe engagement activities undertaken for each group.
Process Considerations: In the capital works phase, it will be important to show evidence of user/community support and engagement processes (if applicable). Agreements between partners will also need to be provided (e.g. MOUs, leases, or similar - if applicable). Connection and/or community development projects will need a higher level of user or community engagement.	

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[1] The IAP2 spectrum groups participation into five categories: Inform, consult, involve, collaborate, empower (in order of least-to-most participation). Each level is legitimate, depending on the goals, timeframes, resources, and levels of concern in the decision to be made.