

SIE FUND SHARING SESSION: PAY-FOR-SUCCESS

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Prepared to supply capital that supports and drives impact

Initial Hypothesis

• Social Finance founded in 2007 on the conviction that social sector organisations would benefit from access to investment – to spur their growth and increase their impact and sustainability.

Early findings

- Revenue models and management capacity of many social organisations too frail to support repayable investment.
- More broadly, the financing of social problems is broken funding lacks (and rarely empowers) flexibility to respond and adapt to the reality of complex need.

This stimulated our focus

- How do we rethink the way funding flows around a social issue to enable sustained investment in prevention and innovation.
- How do we create a focus on outcomes so that the social sector is better rewarded for the value they create.
- These thoughts led to the Peterborough PFS model ... and since then our involvement in many other PFS projects.

The SF Global Network currently comprises of five organisations (Social Finance UK, US, Israel, India and Netherlands). Social Finance is part of the Global Steering Group (GSG) for Impact Investment platform.

SOCIAL FINANCE EXPERIENCE IN PFS

Social Finance has led on the launch of 25+ PFS deals – and has supported our partners in launching many more – mobilising capital of \$120M+ to scale social change.



Elderly Health and Wellbeing



Mental Health and Employment



Advancing Career and Technical Education



Improving Maternal and Child Health and Wellbeing



Improving wellbeing of vulnerable young people



Preventing Type II Diabetes



SINCE PETERBOROUGH, PFS HAS REACHED GLOBAL MASS

UK 40 SIBs launched £43M capital raised Rest of Europe 22 SIBs launched \$29.7M capital raised

US & Canada 24 SIBs launched \$214.5M capital raised

South America I SIB launched I 5 SIBs in development

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PFS PROJECTS

Israel 2 SIBs launched \$7.3M capital raised 4 SIBs in development

Congo, Mali, Nigeria, Cameroon, Morocco, Uganda, Mozambique, South Africa I SIB launched 9 SIBs in development Asia: India, Japan, South Korea 7 SIBs launched \$13.4M capital raised 6 SIBs in development

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Australia & New Zealand 9 SIBs launched \$37.8M capital raised 5 SIBs in development

>738,670

LIVES TOUCHED

Social Finance is committed to supporting the development of the PFS market in Hong Kong.

>\$390м

CAPITAL RAISED

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BUT CRUCIAL TO START FROM THE SOCIAL ISSUE ... PFS IS NOT A SILVER BULLET

PFS approach works well for...

Provision of people-centred support

Complex problems with multiple underlying factors – but a clear outcome

Problems where investing in prevention is more efficient than remediation

Need for external risk capital

New collaborations or partnerships are needed

...but works less well when ...

Outcomes are almost certain from paying for the activity (e.g. infrastructure development)

Limited opportunity for innovation – such as where there are strong statutory obligations

Difficult to attribute impact to the intervention rather than external factors

...when these conditions are met...

Outcomes measurable
Reliable and timely data flow (including baseline data)
Outcomes attributable to inputs
On-the-ground delivery & iteration capacity
Availability of social investment
Government + funder priority



CASE STUDY: REDUCING REOFFENDING IN PETERBOROUGH

SHORT SENTENCE PRISONERS FREQUENTLY RE-OFFEND, CREATING SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL COSTS





IN PETERBOROUGH, RIGOROUS DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS ENABLED CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE

COHORT I	74% INITIAL ASSESSMENT COMPLETED	50% NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMPLETED	64% Met at the Gate	2.6 AVERAGE ACTIVITIES I MTH POST- RELEASE	37% ENGAGED I MONTH POST- RELEASE
COHORT 2	87% INITIAL ASSESSMENT COMPLETED	76% NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMPLETED	86% Met at the Gate	5.8 AVERAGE ACTIVITIES I MTH POST- RELEASE	55% ENGAGED I MONTH POST- RELEASE



CASE STUDY: REDUCING YOUNG PEOPLE'S ENTRY INTO CARE

YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CARE SYSTEM TYPICALLY DO NOT ACHIEVE GOOD OUTCOMES



WHAT ATTRACTED SOCIAL INVESTORS TO PFS

Local interest

 Some are keen to support their local communities e.g. Community Foundations

Social Issue

• All investors are committed to improving outcomes for vulnerable young people

Learning and Innovation

• Essex SIB attracted Belgian foundation and German social investment fund

Engagement

• Some like to be involved in business case development



Applies investment approach to delivering social outcomes

• Rigour, focus, data analysis and service adaptation

Intervention

• Scaling up promising approaches which have potential to transform outcomes and reshape service delivery Platform of 5 London Boroughs is now established from which to scale further across the city, supporting hundreds more families and young people.



management cost to be spread over more outcomes

SCALING IMPACT

• **Multiple providers drives competition**, improving performance

Scale nationally, identifying regional clusters of commissioners to improve outcomes for thousands of young people



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT SO FAR?

WHY DID THE PFS MODEL RESONATE?

Most of the founding principles of the PFS model have played out in practice to date

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•	Address underfunding of prevention work	•	Providing upfront investment to fund intensive prevention services with evidence of success.	
•	Input-defined services too rigid	•	Adaptation and innovation in service delivery Continuous improvement through rapid feedback loops Better targeting	
•	Rigour in Measuring Effectiveness	•	Transparent measurement of outcomes over multi-year contract	
•	Mobilise social investment	•	Aligning financial return with social outcomes	
•	Sustainability	•	Proof of effectiveness of prevention service leads to embedding into mainstream	



- **Readiness of government agencies** to adopt the tool or to explore different ways of contracting for social services is critical for the development of PFS in any market.
- **PFS does not guarantee better outcomes.** Robust analysis of social issue, finding the right fit in terms of intervention/financing approach, and rigour in service delivery matters.
- **Most investors in early transactions are foundations and impact investors** with higher tolerant for risk and a desire to see complex social issues addressed effectively. So far, positive results have driven modest to strong investor returns.
- **Important to strike the balance between measurement rigour with desire for simplicity.** Measurement methodologies have varied across PFS projects worldwide. Where simpler measurement methodologies are used, potentially greater safeguards will need to be in place.
- **Performance management can be one of the most challenging elements of PFS.** PFS invariably involve a new way of working for service providers, and the transition can take time.
- **Routes to scale will vary depending on market context**, e.g. government engagement in PFS pilot to mainstream program into public sector, using replication platforms to launch multiple programs, supporting development of outcomes funds, seeking interventions and delivery partners that can deliver larger PFS projects from the start.



THANK YOU