

# Messages about evaluation

From grantholders  
For other grantholders

Keep it  
simple

Embed evaluation  
from before a  
project starts -  
right through the  
running of it

Share information on the purpose of  
evaluation with everyone in your team

It's very helpful to hear your experiences  
- please keep sharing your learning

You aren't social  
scientists.  
It doesn't need  
to be perfect.  
Learn to live with  
complexity and  
imperfection

Keep  
sharing  
your  
practice

Don't panic!

Don't lose sight of why you're doing what you're doing. Identify the need and refer back to it often.

Make evaluation your own

# Where these messages came from

- The National Lottery Community Fund (previously Big Lottery Fund) is working with Evaluation Support Scotland (ESS) to provide learning and self-evaluation support for grantholders in Scotland.
- We brought together five grantholders to share their evaluation successes and learning.
- The messages in this slide show are **their top tips** for other grantholders.

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