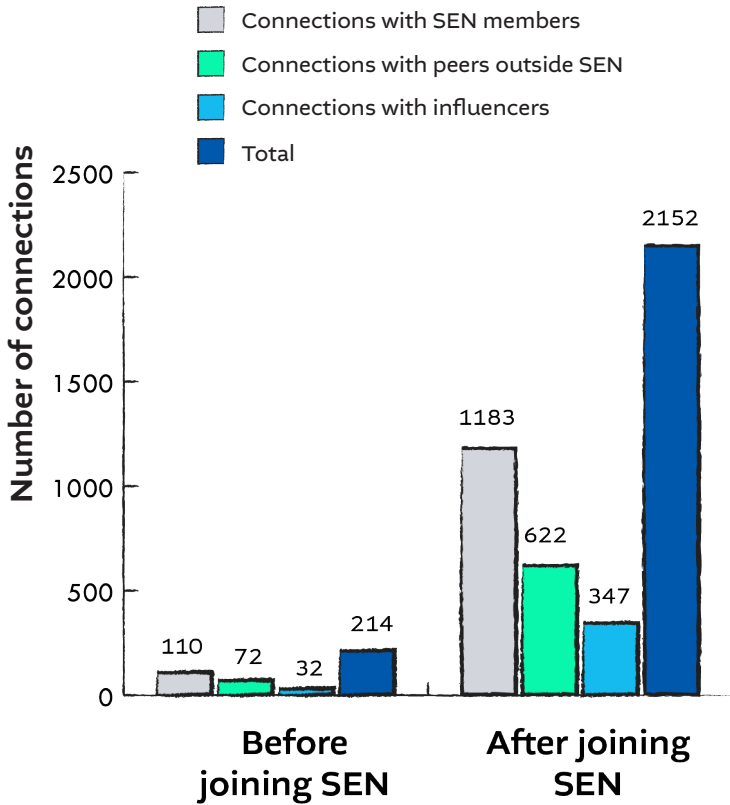




Impact Evaluation Report 2017-18

In numbers

Impact of SEN membership



1073%

increase in connections with SEN members

984%

increase in connections with influencers and policy makers

550%

increase in connections with sector peers outside of SEN

10x

overall number of connections by joining a SEN

42

new connections made on average by individual SEN members

570%

increase in the number of trusting relationships

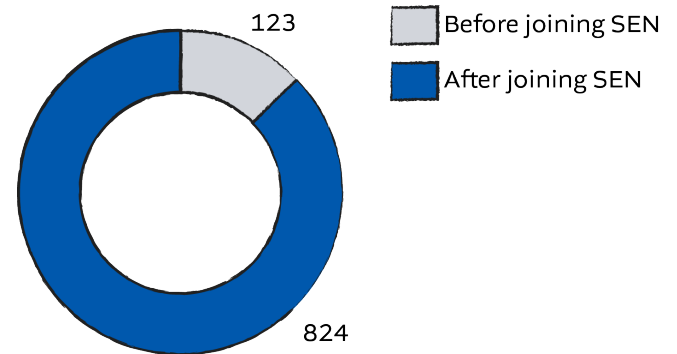
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of new connections are with influencers and policy makers

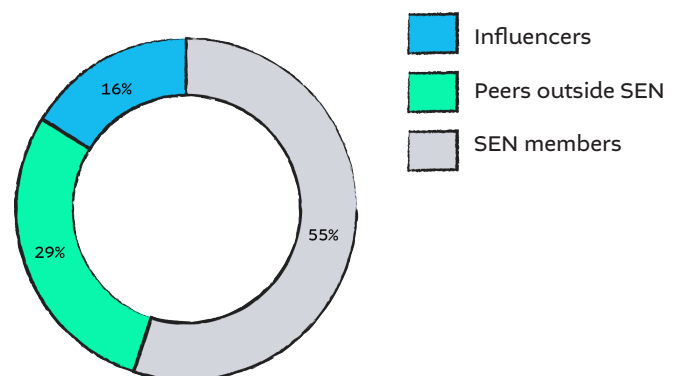
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of new connections are with non-SEN members

Trusting Relationships



New Connections



Impact of SEN Coordinators

21x

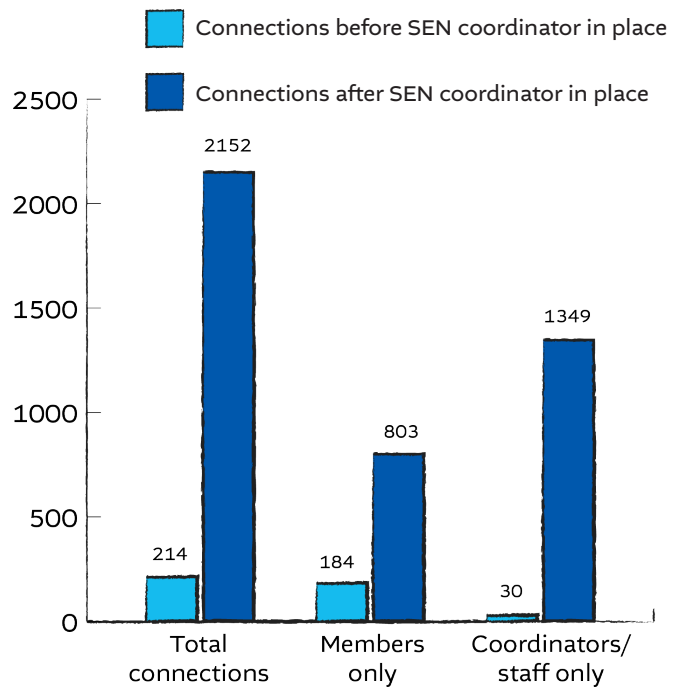
the number of connections after a SEN coordinator is in place

1938%

increase in connections across all four networks in pilot

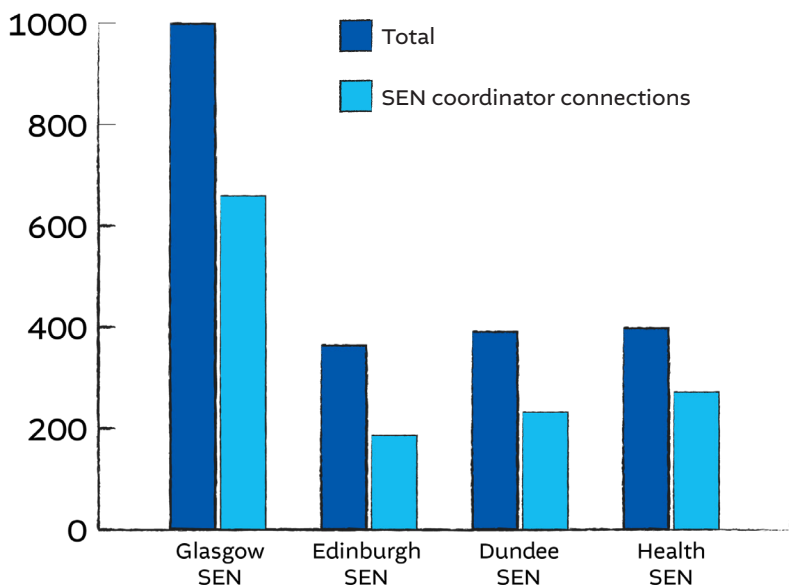
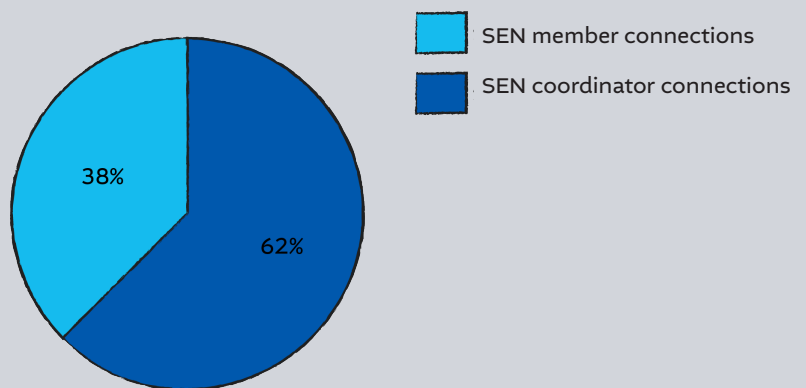
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connections made by coordinators across the four networks



62%

of all connections can be credited to a SEN coordinator



Connections of SEN coordinator compared to total

SEN coordinators responsible for:

66% of connections in Glasgow

51% of connections in Edinburgh

59% of connections in Dundee

68% of connections in Health SEN

Key Benefits of SEN Membership



Specialised social enterprise support



A collective voice for social enterprises



A platform for social enterprises to maximise their value



Exchange of learning and information



Regular meetings and events



Access to new opportunities



Collaboration and cooperation



A community of practice

Testimonials

I wish I had known about SEN network before I set up a Social Enterprise organisation as it possesses a wealth of working knowledge through the coordinators as well as fellow organisations.

Pasna Sallis, Weekday WoW Factor

U>P is extremely helpful in illustrating the power of a network and why staffed SENs are crucial to local social enterprise development and support. SEN members have proven that network staff play a key role in facilitating the building of relationships and trust.

My involvement in the pilot taught me about the different kinds of connections we have and how we can incorporate them our strategic planning depending on which types of relationships we would like to strengthen.

Julie Farr, Dundee SEN Coordinator

The SEN has been a great support and resource from the start. In the early days it put me in touch with lots of like-minded people, I learnt so much from their experiences and enthusiasm.

As Dementia Friendly East Lothian began to grow. Unlocking Potential made me think about the networks and relationships and I realised they are my biggest assets. We began to think of growing as a network, working collaboratively to have greater impact.

Sue Northrop, Dementia Friendly East Lothian