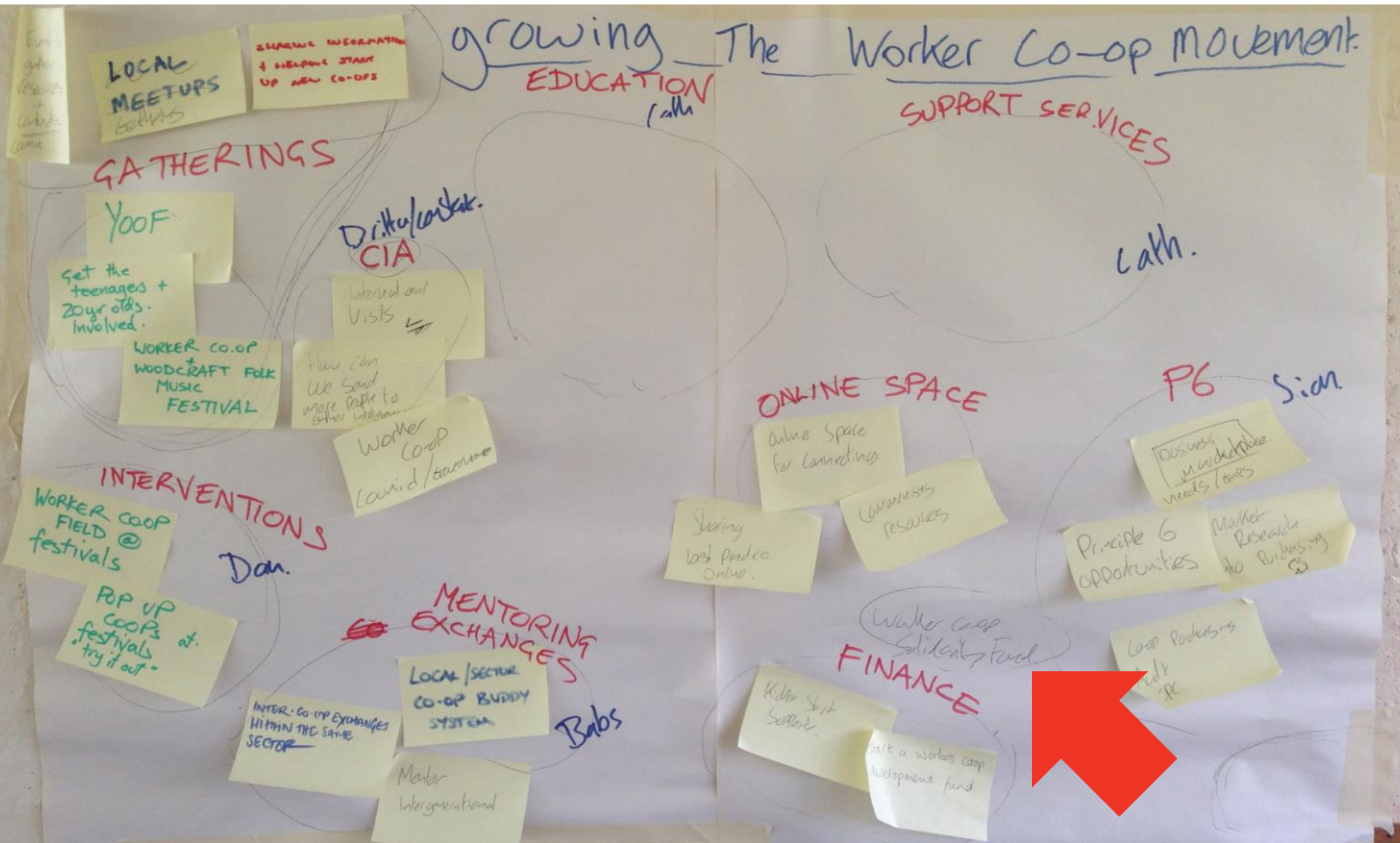


# **Building a solidarity fund for worker co-ops**

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**SOLIDFUND** 

# Beginnings



## Vision:

A strong, growing + self-reliant network of successful workers' co-operatives

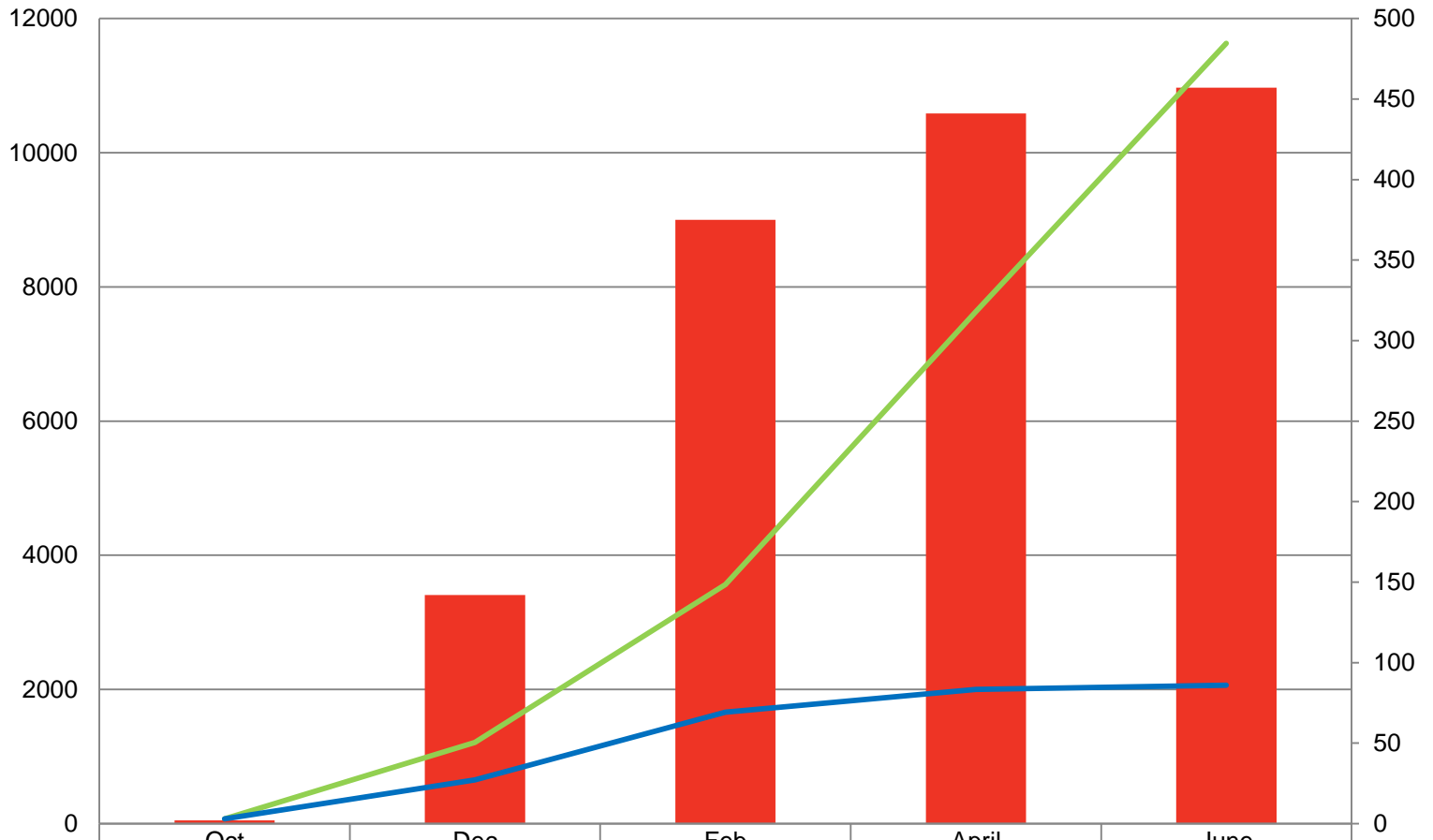
## Mission:

To create + manage a permanent common fund, paid for by the voluntary subscriptions of worker co-op members, worker's Co-ops, individuals + organisations that support industrial democracy + collective ownership.

## Purpose:

- To support activity that:
- Provides relevant education + training.
  - Brings worker co-ops together
  - Identifies + spreads best practice
  - Strengthens the self-reliance + autonomy of worker co-ops
  - Guarantees the continuity of worker co-op culture + organisation

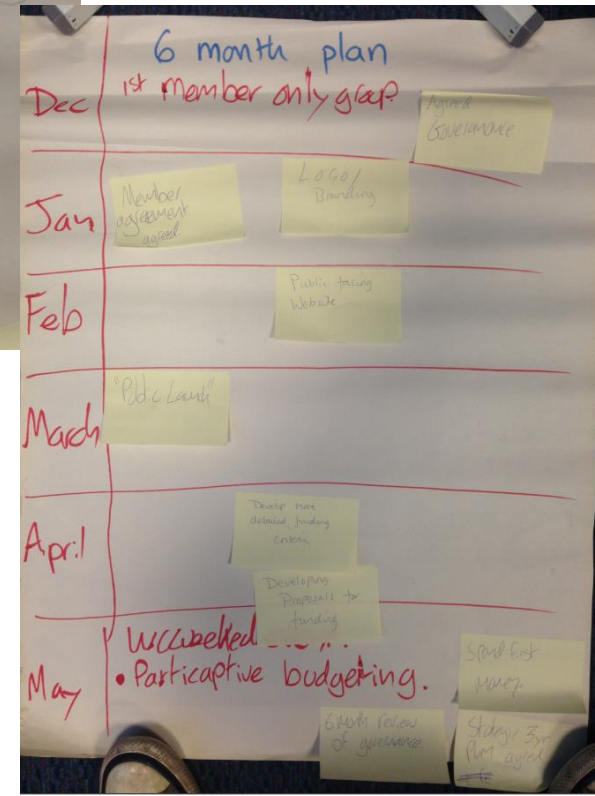
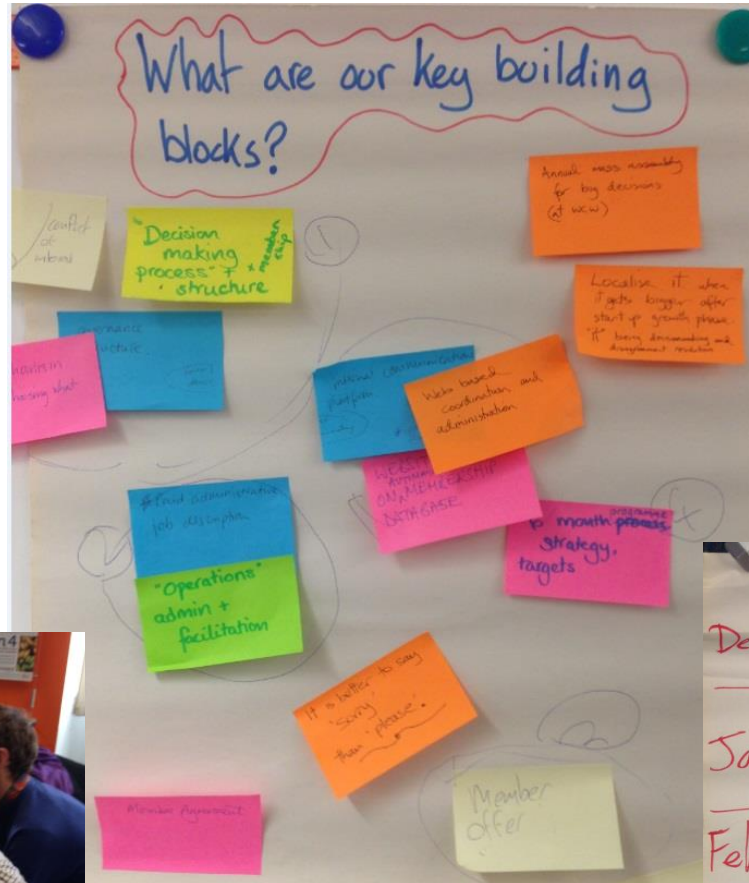
# Membership Figures



Members	2	142	375	441	457
Total funds	70	£1,210	£3,565	£7,632	£11,631
Contributions per month	70	£650	£1,660	£2,002	£2,062



# Participative Planning





# Worker Co-operatives Worker Co-operative Solidarity Fund

A fund to underwrite worker co-operative education, events, culture and organisation. This is the members' group that designs and operates the Fund.

The mission and statutes of the fund are here:

<http://s.coop/solidfundrules>

To subscribe to the Fund and become a member:

<http://s.coop/solidfundjoin>

The (DRAFT) operating manual for how the fund operates:

<http://s.coop/solidfundmanual>

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Fund discussion thread 6: Money

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Start a discussion

Invite people

Options

### Volume

Normal

Just email important activity: New discussions and proposals, outcomes etc.

### Previous decisions

ICOF manages Fund assets under the " v4" Memorandum of...

Adopt 'SolidFund', logo, domain name and messaging



## SUBSCRIBE TO SOLIDFUND

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- **SolidFund** exists to strengthen worker co-operative solidarity
- **SolidFund** will underwrite activities that support worker co-operatives and their members
- **SolidFund** is a common wealth resource, paid for by individual and group subscriptions
- **SolidFund** subscribers are people who support industrial democracy and collective ownership
- **SolidFund** members discuss and decide on the Fund's activities and future growth

Read more about SolidFund's vision, mission, purposes and policies at **[s.coop/solidfundrules](https://s.coop/solidfundrules)**

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