

D4A Solution

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Place of the implemented solution	Kungsbacka Municipality
Implementation level (e.g. internal, municipal, intercommunal, regional)	Municipal
Dimension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical • Organisational • Ethical • Regulatory
Subdimension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interoperability • Data management • Data governance • Data risks • Data values • Data openness • Data ownership
Problem	<p>Kungsbacka Municipality has like many other municipalities struggled with how to systematically manage, share, and utilize data in a way that supports transparency, innovation, and efficiency. There is often a lack of clear governance structures, technical standards, and regulatory guidance, which leads to uncertainty, underuse of data, and missed opportunities for public value creation.</p>
Solution	<p>This solution provides structured guidance, best practices, and ready-to-use tools to help municipalities overcome these challenges—by establishing governance models, clarifying data ownership, improving interoperability and aligning data management.</p>
Feedback	<p>The solutions represent an important step forward, but they must be tested in real-world settings and continuously refined to ensure they work in practice. As the field is evolving rapidly, the solutions also need to be regularly adapted and further developed to stay relevant. An important part of developing the solutions has been to publish real data using the technical support that has been acquired and prototyped, including the national Metadata Catalog and testing of the University of Gothenburg's prototype.</p> <p>One key lesson learned is that changing the culture and mindset around data is crucial for success. This is an essential part of the broader digital transformation currently underway in Sweden and other European countries.</p>
Format (e.g. Open Source)	Web-based documents, guidelines and trainings in various formats.



Costs

To implement the solution the primary cost is time, mainly in the form of personnel expenses.

For more information, check out the Swedish pilot