



Healthier Communities Update

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Healthier Communities Priorities

- ▶ **Family, friends and community** – e.g. supporting communities to be more resilient, building social networks and reducing loneliness and isolation; linking in with the County Council's place-based demand management and prevention programme
- ▶ **Housing** – e.g. reducing homelessness, helping people access affordable housing, helping vulnerable people to maintain tenancies, lifetime homes
- ▶ **Built and natural environment** – e.g. ensuring new developments are designed with health and wellbeing in mind; ensuring access to green spaces, facilitating active travel and physical activity, e.g. through accessible leisure facilities and opportunities

Family, Friends and Community

- ▶ The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of resilient, connected communities and social networks
- ▶ Partnership working has been central in the response to the pandemic and will continue to play a key role as we work towards recovery
- ▶ Districts and Boroughs are working with local partners and communities to mitigate against the negative impacts - Community pantries, employability support and grant funds
- ▶ The pandemic has exposed and exacerbated inequalities in our communities. Targeted work across Hampshire has been supporting those most at risk.

Healthy Homes

- ▶ Broad range of partnerships and programmes taking place across the County to support homelessness prevention, healthy homes and multi-agency collaboration between housing, health and care
- ▶ Multi- Agency Healthy Homes Working Group continues to drive coordinated action to deliver the priorities from the Healthy Homes Workshop in Jan 2020 and address the areas highlighted from the Healthy Homes Needs Assessment
- ▶ System wide Training and Development Survey for frontline staff identified the following areas for development:
 - Collaborative induction offer
 - Multi-agency training including promotional videos
 - Organisational 'champions'
- ▶ Exploring potential to establish a Health Begins at Home Memorandum of Understanding

Health, Housing and Partners– evolution and transformation through Covid Wave 1

Pre Covid	Now	Outputs
Data poor	Since April increased understanding of where people are located and their needs: we now know following the Government directive ‘Everyone In’ that there are 1700 people (as at May 2020) housed in temporary accommodation; of which 678 were previously not housed; starting to use data to inform decisions; development of risk assurance framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Driving the use of data -eg prevention and discharge scheme at QA, operational from 18/1/21, being able to quantify (as well as qualitative) impact of interventions; costing interventions. Platform for intermediate care across HIOW? Looking to triangulate MHCLG data with health data on a system footprint Financials: +£38m to keep people homeless across HIOW
Silo working	Multi disciplinary team approach; number of task and finish groups set up – primary care, intermediate care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using multi-disciplinary approach to how we do business to become ‘the norm’ Primary care service specification – named clinicians in hostels – funding stream being actively pursued Linking with HIOW LA CEOs, now have a named CEO as a link Continuing to strengthen links with SHOG and Healthy Homes
Organisationally focussed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working in partnership style ‘It’s been good working this close to health’ Learning about how we fit together as a system (partial/whole) for people experiencing multiple disadvantage – recognising that some aspects need a local focus, others recognising the benefits of system working Clearer escalation process (or more awareness of them) and strategic input into issues Great collaboration between services from all parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making strategic and operational connections with health/housing; looking to broaden this Strengthening relationships with health and housing Connecting health with MHCLG Raising colleagues awareness of the ‘bigger prize’ eg MFFD patients, not just for people with no fixed abode but for those in social housing and may be in hospital longer term impacting on tenancy agreements
Cultural barriers	Language – overcoming the need to speak fluent in ‘housing’ and ‘health’, stepping in to this space to begin to radically change the design of locally accessed community services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commission of homeless health care offer Actively being part of the conversation that ‘things can be different and things can improve’ Facilitating discussions and organisations to ‘step into one another’s shoes’
Vision and principles	Coming together to develop common purpose – particularly seen with the development of the Expression of Interest re the MHCLG £46m over 15 sites. This continues to build on system working – identify areas of good practice/gaps. And include partners from Ministry of Justice/Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversations and discussions with wider system partners Expression of Interest – Changing Futures – joining up partners
Structural barriers to community MH services	The development of a new Community MH Framework for Adults and Older Adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening neighbourhood mental health, support community resilience recognising widening disadvantage going forward as we emerge (live with) the epidemic particularly in terms of worsening social determinants of health

Built and Natural Environment

- ▶ COVID-19 has highlighted the importance of good quality homes and access to green spaces for our health and wellbeing.
- ▶ Coordinated efforts are required to ensure new development plans enable healthy, active lives, and have sustainability at their heart.
- ▶ Hampshire's first Active Places Summit took place in October 2020
- ▶ Hampshire's Walking and Cycling principles were developed by a wide range of partners to enable more people to walk, cycle or use public transport in scale with Hampshire's Climate Change targets.
- ▶ A wide range of local projects and schemes exist across Hampshire to reduce barriers and engage more people in being active outdoors in their local communities.

Recommendations for the board

- ▶ Note the good practice examples of work going on across Hampshire to develop healthier communities, along with the value of partnership working in this area to reduce health inequalities in Hampshire.
- ▶ Note the Healthy Homes project progress and endorse the planned next steps to develop and roll out a joint induction opportunity, and multi-agency training including educational videos for frontline staff across Hampshire.
- ▶ Support the exploration of a Health Begins at Home Memorandum of Understanding which would allow organisations to make a commitment towards the use of housing to improve the long-term health and wellbeing of communities.
- ▶ Receive a status report on current Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) practice at a future Health and Wellbeing Board meeting.