

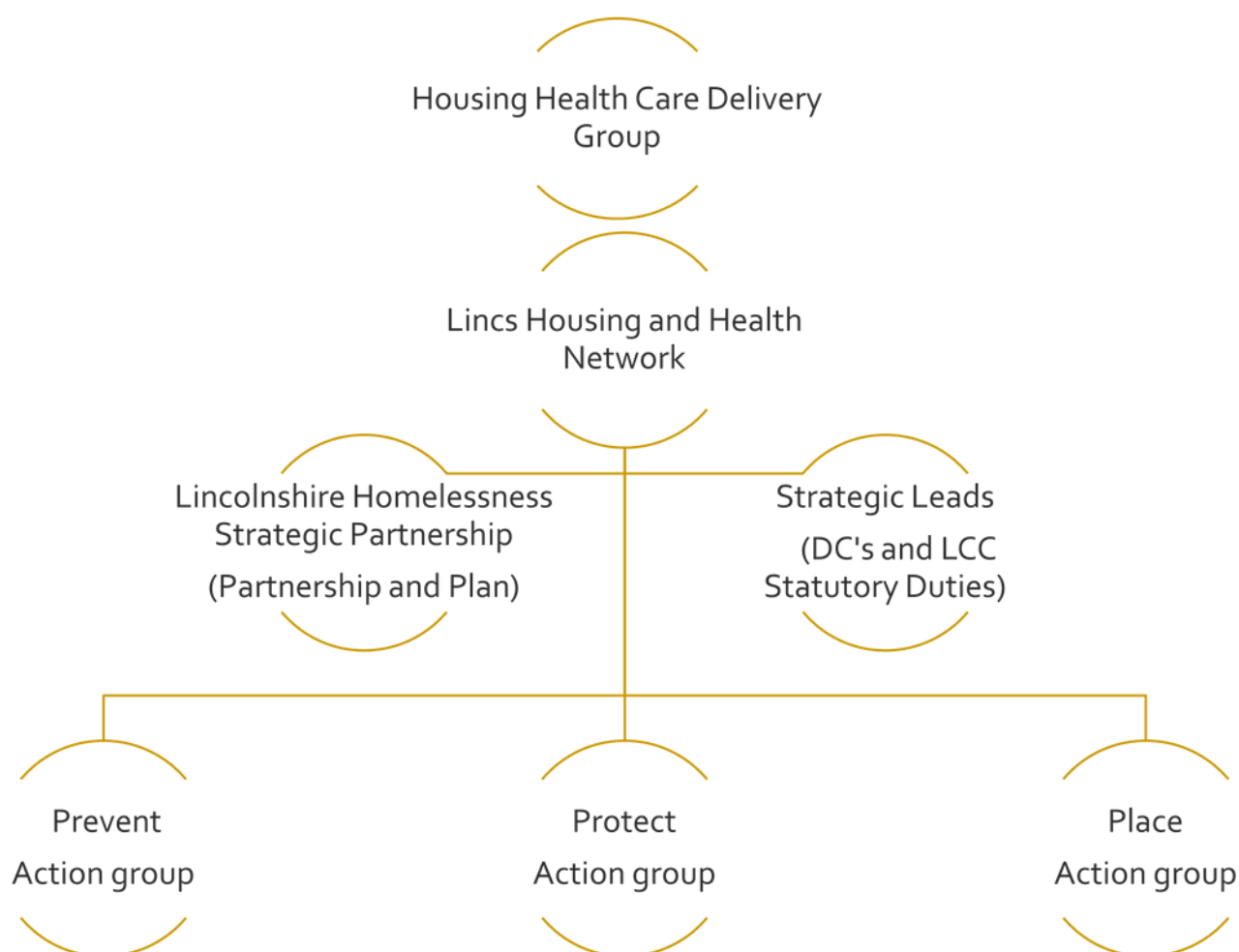
LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPER STRATEGY DELIVERY PLAN



LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESSNESS PARTNERSHIP

Working together to prevent
homelessness and rough sleeping

LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESS NETWORK



Housing Health Care Delivery Group (HHCDG) – an update from LHHN and activities from the partnership subgroup are reported and actions arising from the group may include new workstreams for the subgroups. HHCDG delivery plan contains high level actions relating to the strategy, support provision and accommodation which all subgroups workstreams contribute towards.

Lincs Housing Health Co-ordination (LHHN) – an update on actions from the HHCDG and other workstreams are reported and the district councils suggest or steer new projects or workstream for the subgroups to focus on.

Lincs Strategic Homelessness Partnership – quarterly or bi-monthly meeting for all stakeholders to be updated on activities from subgroups and for information sharing. Monthly email updates and forwarded emails as required.

Strategic Leads – 7 District Councils and LCC Public Health discussing all statutory homelessness responsibilities (monthly).

OUR PRIORITIES

The five priorities for this strategy are:

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| Priority 1: Prevent | Identify those that are at risk of becoming homeless as early as possible and through the Duty to Refer to prevent homelessness or rough sleeping |
| Priority 2: Protect | Identifying the most vulnerable and ensuring individuals are safe from harm, and have access to the support and services to maintain their health and wellbeing |
| Priority 3: Partnership | Strengthen and maintain relationships to bring together resources and knowledge to prevent and relieve homelessness |
| Priority 4: Place | Ensure accommodation is both available and suitable for those that need it and explore opportunities to increase the supply of accommodation |
| Priority 5: Plan | Take a proactive, joined up and flexible approach to tackling rough sleeping and homelessness and explore funding opportunities to ensure we meet the needs of all client groups |

Wider meetings across the county that fit into the strategy workstreams:

| Prevent | Protect | Place | Partnership | Plan |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Strategic Leads -Prison Protocol T&F group | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Rough Sleeper Initiative meetings -Framework Contract Meeting -LCC Reducing reoffending group -Care Leaver and Young People Transitions Panel -LCC Drug and Alcohol Partnership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Specialist Accommodation Group -Framework Operational Effectiveness Delivery Group -Healthy and Accessible Homes sub-group | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Landlord and Homeless forums -East Midlands Homeless and Health Forum -Lincs Financial Inclusion Partnership -Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Intergrated Care Board Commissioning group -Strategic Leads |

1. PREVENT

Ambition

Identify those that are at risk of becoming homeless as early as possible and through the Duty to Refer to prevent homelessness or rough sleeping

Key Partners

- Rough Sleeper Initiative lead
- Probation
- LCC
- Health
- Police
- DWP

| Action | Outcome |
|---|--|
| Duty to Refer review | All partners are aware of the process, referrals contain the information needed to ensure are referrals are processing time, consistency, information provided |
| Identify the underlying causes of homelessness | Review of data trends and complex cases to highlight early interventions and resolution routes |
| Reduce private sector evictions that result in homelessness | Develop relationships with landlords and play a mediation role |
| Review pathways and protocols | Improve access to accommodation, ensuring no releases to the streets from hospital, care or prison |
| Learn from best practice and research | Review outcomes of the DLUHC Test and Learn Programme |

2. PROTECT

Ambition

Identify the most vulnerable and ensure individuals are safe from harm, and have access to the support and services to maintain their health and wellbeing

Key Partners

- Holistic Health for Homeless Team
- LCC – Alcohol and Substance Misuse, Team Around the Adult
- Housing Related Support and Domestic Abuse
- Rough Sleeper Initiative lead
- Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust

| Action | Outcome |
|--|--|
| Review effectiveness and access to support services | Maxmise use of substance misuse and Housing Related Support contracts, TAA and vulnerable adult panels |
| Expand the Holistic Health for Homeless Team across the county to reduce health inequalities | Improve link with health for rough sleepers and co-ordination with Neighbourhood leads |
| Complete a mapping exercise to identify gaps in provision | Increase provision where required with partners |
| Improve RSI working and communication | Shared knowledge and improved ways of working |
| Setup a task and finish group to assist those with NRPF | Explore options to access accommodation and support |

3. PLACE

Ambition

Ensure accommodation is both available and suitable for those that need it and explore opportunities to increase the supply of accommodation

Key Partners

- Health
- Housing Providers
- LCC

| Action | Outcome |
|--|--|
| Review commissioned and temporary accommodation provision | Needs analysis to form evidence for future funding and commissioning opportunities |
| Resolve barriers that lead the homeless cohort to be declined accommodation | Developed relationships with housing providers and landlords, using a range of assurances and incentives |
| Review move on options to highlight blockages and current need | Increased throughput and availability of hostel spaces |
| Ensure people discharged from hospital are not made homeless or go into unsuitable housing | Develop a joint protocol with the Housing and Hospital Development Officers |
| Work with landlords to improve conditions of properties | Prevention of homelessness presentations |

4. PARTNERSHIP & 5. PLAN

Ambition

Strengthen and maintain relationships to bring together resources and knowledge to prevent and relieve homelessness.

Take a proactive, joined up and flexible approach to tackling rough sleeping and homelessness and explore funding opportunities to ensure we meet the needs of all client groups

Key Partners

Probation, Health, Housing Providers, Voluntary and Community Sector, Police, LCC, District Council Leads, Rough Sleeper Initiative leads, DWP

| Action | Outcome |
|---|--|
| Maximise opportunities to share knowledge and resources | A joined-up system across the county to deliver value for money services and explore funding/commissioning opportunities |
| Review countywide protocols within the partnership | Improve accountability when processes are not working effectively |
| Agree a set of operational delivery expectations and partnership commitments | All partnership groups have clearly defined roles and are aware on what each partner can expect from one another |
| Develop a shared evidence base on levels of homelessness, service utilisation and referrals | Monitor trends and changes needed to services |
| Complete SWOT analysis of the partnership | Plan to steer direction for future effectiveness |

REVIEW AND MONITORING

To ensure this document remains relevant throughout its lifespan, each action group will be responsible for the delivery of the actions contained in this document, and further actions agreed by the action group through a detailed delivery plan.

Progress on workstreams within each action group will be monitored through the Lincolnshire Strategy Homelessness Partnership group and reported up to Lincolnshire Housing Health Co-ordination Group and Housing Health Care Delivery Group.

The annual strategy review will include completed actions and plans for the next year.

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