



# Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Strategy

## Priority : Healthy Places

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Aims for today:

Review Healthy Places Priority  
Demonstrate success and progress  
Plan for next steps



# Vision

*People who live, work or study in Kirklees live their best lives with good health and wellbeing, free from inequality, stigma, discrimination and barriers, so they can do and enjoy the things that matter to them.*

## Outcomes

The KHWS will focus on four outcomes for people who live, work or study in Kirklees across the life course.



Best start



Well



Independent



## Priorities

To achieve these four outcomes we will focus on three priorities.



## Factors

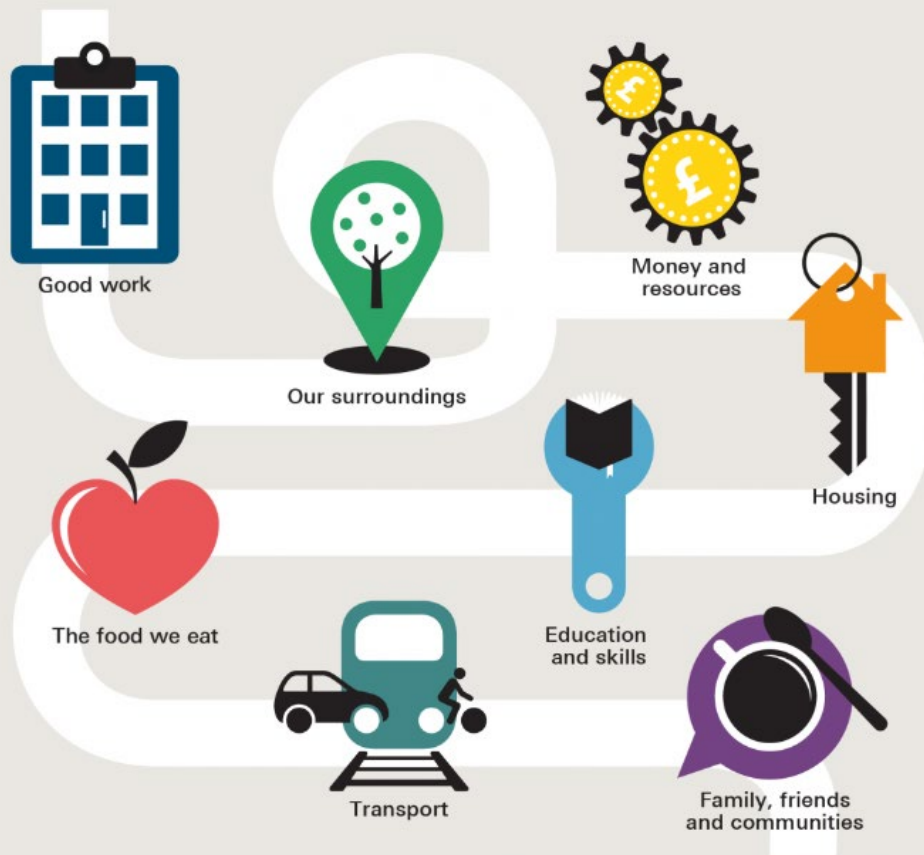
In delivering each priority we will use the lens of the life course and the six key factors. The factors are the things that make a difference to our health and wellbeing, both positively and negatively.



# Why Place Matters

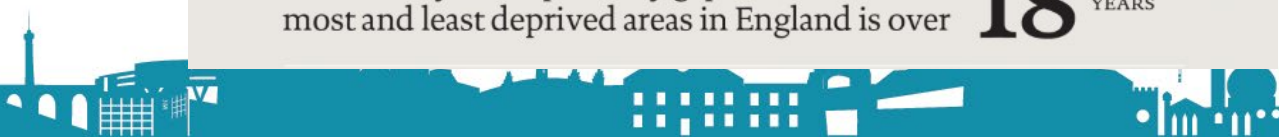
Good health matters, to individuals and to society. But we don't all have the same opportunities to live healthy lives.

To understand why, we need to look at the bigger picture:



The healthy life expectancy gap between the most and least deprived areas in England is over

**18** YEARS



# Commitments made in the KHWS

## SUCCESS INDICATORS

### OUR AMBITION

The physical and social infrastructure and environment supports people of all ages who live, work or study in Kirklees to maximise their health opportunities and to make the healthy choice the easy choice

\***bold** = shared outcome headline indicator

- ✓ Overall satisfaction with local area\*
- ✓ Air quality/pollution (annual concentration of PM2.5)\*
- ✓ CO2 emissions\*
- ✓ **Proportion of adults who say they feel safe in their local area\***
- ✓ Increase in journeys taken on foot or by cycling
- ✓ **Housing suitability for household\***
- ✓ Use of parks and greenspaces
- ✓ Increase access to the internet at home
- ✓ Increase in Kirklees children and adults meeting recommended activity levels per week
- ✓ Increase in schools implementing the Active Schools Framework



# Delivery on the 'I' statements

## I STATEMENTS

- ✓ I would like safe accessible local places where I can meet friends and we can do activities together regardless of our age and abilities.
- ✓ I would like to access affordable activities that I can do with my children that help us to be physically and mentally fit.
- ✓ I would like my local area to be disability friendly, making sure we are all included regardless of our abilities and needs.
- ✓ I would like green, natural, outdoor spaces in my local area that help me to be active and support my wellbeing.



# Delivery on the 'I' statements

## **MAGIC IN THE COMMUNITY**

<https://youtu.be/Ae6CQe-N8sc?t=49>



# Delivery on local partner actions

## WHAT ARE LOCAL PARTNERS GOING TO DO

- ❑ We will work with partners to ensure quality planning, design, construction and management of spaces, places and homes.

### Planning team supporting Kirkheaton Parish Council with neighbourhood plan

- ❑ We will facilitate development and implement local plans that respects and creates safe and attractive places, thriving, cohesive communities and supports health and wellbeing for those that live, work or study in Kirklees

### Huddersfield & Dewsbury blueprints

### Planning validation checklist



**George  
Hotel  
Huddersfield**



# Delivery on local partner actions

## WHAT ARE LOCAL PARTNERS GOING TO DO

- ❑ We will develop and maintain a range of spaces and infrastructure that are safe and encourage all forms of physical activity and movement and support positive emotional wellbeing -

### Lee Street, Dewsbury West

- Playable Spaces

Before



After – February 2023



# Delivery on local partner actions

- ❑ We will work with communities to understand their local needs and offer a variety of opportunities to access physical activity, recreation, connection and culture and heritage activities.

Across five hubs between March and December 2022:



**1,603**

Shopped with TBBT

**£233,425**

Savings

**3,555**

Volunteer hours

**121 tonnes**

Food saved from landfill





# Delivery on local partner actions

Being part of TBBT connects people to their community, where they are meeting new people and making new friends.



97%

feel that TBBT is good for their community

67%

said that they were more involved in their community as a result of TBBT

73%

felt less alone as a result of volunteering



65%

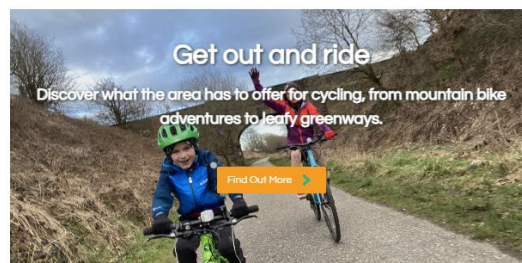
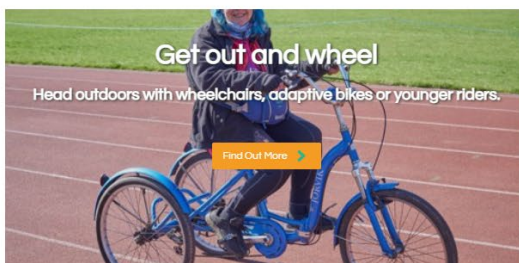
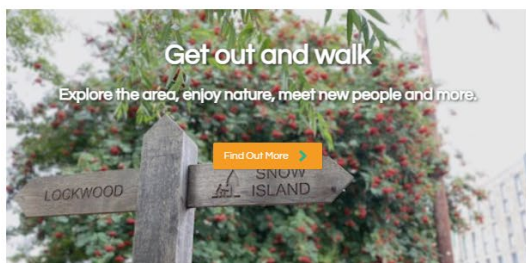
of members did not regularly use their TBBT hub venue before becoming a member



# Delivery on local partner actions

- ❑ We will work with local communities to enable people to travel safely and actively to and from where they study, work and spend time.

## Launch of Walk Wheel Ride Kirklees Hub



# Delivery on local partner actions

- We will implement identified measures which improve air quality and pollution

**-Installation of PM<sub>2.5</sub> analyser at Government air quality monitoring station at Dewsbury**

**-Kirklees has been successful in securing funding for the delivery of heat decarbonisation plans for 10 buildings within the Councils portfolio.**

- We will support our communities to gain access to the internet from their homes **Data Bank Scheme providing 6 months free data to residents in need**



# RECENT SUCCESSES – 6 KEY FACTORS



## INEQUALITIES

Hot Food Takeaway SPD  
implemented

Community Champions  
Programme



## SHAPED BY PEOPLE

Over 10,000 conversations  
and & 790K invested in  
local people priorities via  
the Place Standard Tool.

Implementation of Inclusive  
Communities Framework with  
early adopter organisations

Climate Change Action Plan-  
co-produced with  
stakeholders and community



## POVERTY

The Bread-and-Butter Thing  
has 9 sites across Kirklees  
providing access to affordable  
food at a hyper local level  
£200,000 of to Kirklees  
resident savings in 2022

Tackling Poverty Partnership-  
over 40 representatives  
attending most recent event



# RECENT SUCCESSES –6 KEY FACTORS



## DIGITAL

8 digital hub safe spaces  
across Kirklees

Digital skills courses  
Digital Champions Training

Device loan scheme gives  
access to chromebooks  
and Mifi



## HOUSING

Affordable Housing and  
Housing Mix SPD was  
adopted by the Cabinet on  
14<sup>th</sup> March 2023



## CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Kirklees Climate Change  
Action Plan was approved  
by Cabinet in Nov 2022  
and by council in Dec 2022

January 2023, Kirklees  
Council became the first LA  
in West Yorkshire to sign  
up to the YHCC Climate  
Action Pledge

# NEXT STEPS & CHALLENGES



All partners to continue to promote 'I' statements and local partner actions within their teams and services. Ask partners to review within respective organisations

## NEXT STEPS

## CHALLENGES

Budgetary pressures

Workforce and Recruitment

Place work is spread across range of services and teams (this is also a strength)



# **The Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:**

- Comment on and help shape the direction of delivery against the Place priority

- Consider how Board members can support the delivery against the Healthy Places wellbeing priority

- Further develop regular feedback mechanism to monitor progress and identify gaps for Healthy Places



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