

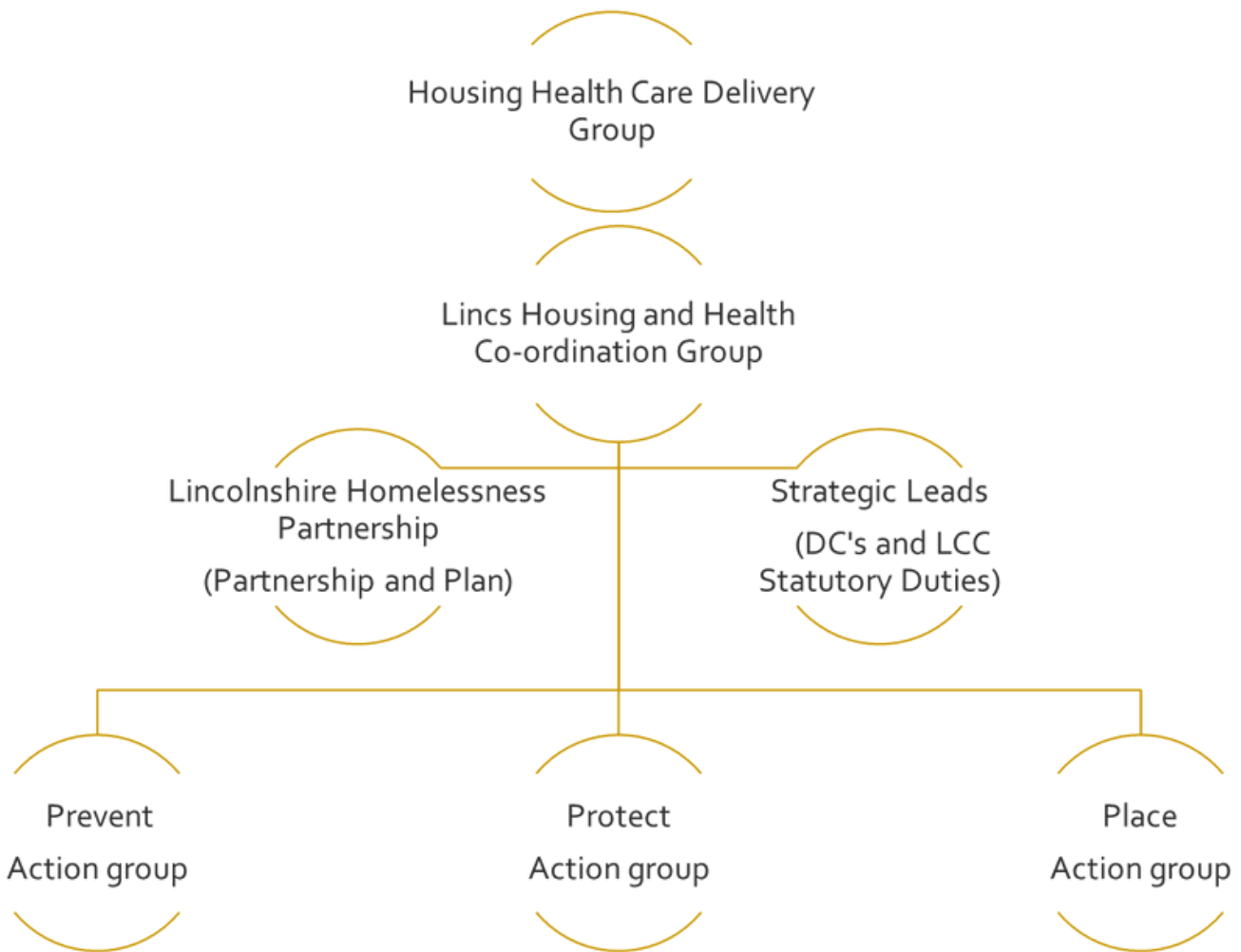
LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPER STRATEGY DELIVERY PLAN



LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESSNESS PARTNERSHIP

Working together to prevent
homelessness and rough sleeping

LINCOLNSHIRE HOMELESS NETWORK



Housing Health Care Delivery Group (HHCDG) – an update from Strategic Leads and activities from the partnership subgroup are reported, and actions arising from the group may include new workstreams for the subgroups. HHCDG's 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 HHCDG and other workstreams are reported, and the district councils suggest or steer new projects or workstreams for the subgroups to focus on.

Lincolnshire Homelessness Partnership – quarterly meeting for all stakeholders to be updated on activities from subgroups and for information sharing.

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

OUR PRIORITIES

The five priorities for the strategy are:

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, 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
<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 - Safeguarding Adults Board 	<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

- Lead District Councils – Lincoln City and South Holland
- Rough Sleeper Initiative lead
- Probation and Police
- LCC – Care Leavers, Safeguarding Adults, Housing Related Support and Domestic Abuse
- Health
- Housing Providers
- DWP

Action	Outcome
Duty to Refer review	All partners are aware of the process and referrals contain the information needed, are processed efficiently
Identify the underlying causes of homelessness	Review 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

- Lead District Councils – Boston Borough/East Lindsey and South Kesteven
- LCC – Substance Misuse, Team Around the Adult, Safeguarding Adults, Housing Related Support and Domestic Abuse
- Rough Sleeper Initiative lead
- Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust
- Housing Providers

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	Share knowledge of 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

- Lead District Councils – West Lindsey and North Kesteven
- Housing Providers
- LCC – Public Health
- Voluntary and Community Sector Organisations

Action	Outcome
Review commissioned and temporary accommodation provision	Complete 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	Increase 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

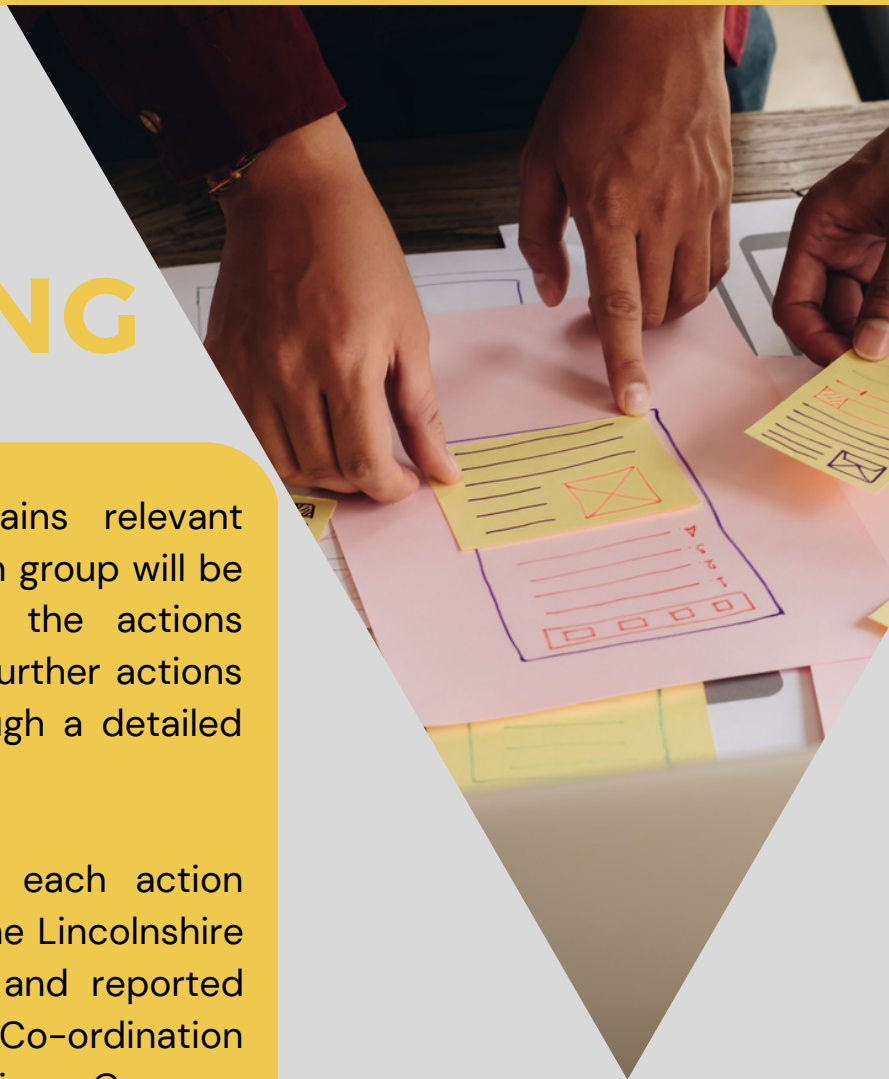
Action	Outcome
Maximise opportunities to share knowledge and resources	A joined-up system across the county to deliver value for money services and explore funding/commissioning opportunities
Review countywide protocols within the partnership	Improve accountability when processes are not working effectively
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 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 from all the priority groups and plans for the next year.



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