

Lincolnshire District Councils' Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Executive summary – December 2022

1. Lincolnshire district councils are committed to developing an ambitious agenda for improving health and wellbeing in Lincolnshire.
To achieve this, they are focusing on:
 - **a strategic, long-term approach to improving outcomes**
 - **a sense of opportunity and ambition, district collaboration**
 - **a holistic view based on social determinants**
 - **developing system leadership**

2. The 2021 Health and Care White Paper and establishment via the NHS of Integrated Care Systems (ICS) underline the vital importance of health and care partners working together to focus on prevention and addressing the wider determinants of health

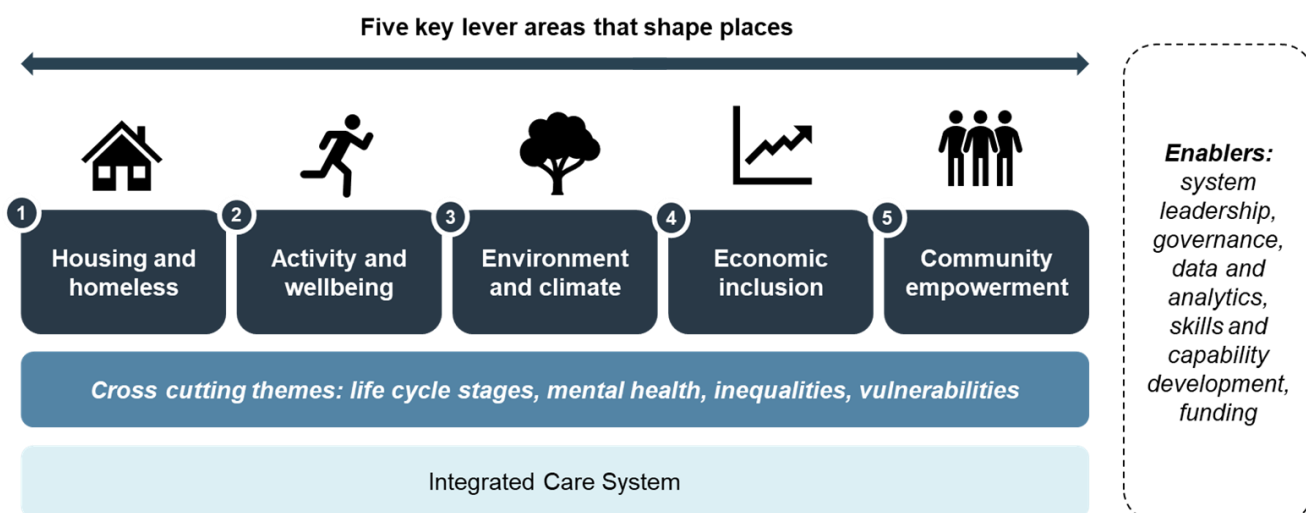
3. Districts have timely opportunity to directly influence and shape the system approach to tackling wider determinants of health, ensuring services and functions are effectively linked at place and system level to deliver on district priorities

4. Integrated Care Systems are being designed to serve four key purposes:
 - **improving population health and healthcare**
 - **tackling unequal outcomes and access**
 - **enhancing productivity and value for money**
 - **helping the NHS to support broader social and economic development**

5. Districts have sought to address central questions around employment and jobs, place shaping, active and creative places, homelessness and participation in developing the strategy.

6. The programme of work has been structured in four phases:
 - Diagnostic: benchmarking, governance mapping and system health check
 - Governance development: focus on most impactful interventions to ensure district involvement in strategic decision making
 - Development of district health and wellbeing agenda
 - Identification of key next steps and supporting action plan

7. Districts have developed the strategy around five 'lever' areas in which they are uniquely positioned in the system to influence and can most effectively articulate their offer and work with partners to deliver sustainable change.



8. For each lever area, districts have defined:
 - An overarching objective, themes and strategic framework of activity and outputs for each lever area
 - Supporting activities and outputs linked to each objective
9. Summary of overarching objectives and themes by lever area:

Housing and homelessness: *Improve the supply, quality and coordination of services to meet housing needs and demands*

- Address the underlying causes of homelessness so that it becomes rare, brief and non-recurring
- Improving the supply of housing needs and demands
- Improving the quality of existing accommodation to secure an overall improvement in the health and wellbeing of residents
- Coordination of partnership activity to provide improved housing choices

Activity and wellbeing: *To address inactivity across the county – improving access and opportunity for all residents to be active and participate*

- **Active place** – *Creating environments for people, of all ages, to have equitable access to safe places and spaces, in which to take part in regular physical activity*
- **Active people** – *Providing opportunities across the county for residents to participate in activity on a regular basis*
- **Active system** – *Working across the system in a co-ordinated way to tackle health inequalities, address long term health conditions and improve opportunities for prevention*

Environment and climate: *Improve understanding of the links between environment and health and maximise opportunities to deliver on both simultaneously*

- Tackle climate change – including improving air quality and reducing carbon emissions
- Awareness and education
- Maximise potential of Local Plan reviews to improve open / green space provision
- Licensing and provision of healthy, sustainable food options

Economic inclusion: *Reducing economic inequality and alleviating poverty as a fundamental driver for improving mental and physical health and wellbeing*

- Support people in employment to improve health & wellbeing
- Support for those most susceptible to economic change and transition
- Develop innovative programme with partners to enable residents to improve digital skills and access
- Increase the number of residents who are economically active by ensuring those that have health conditions/disabilities can take advantage of the opportunities for more flexible/remote employment opportunities
- Interventions to develop the health and care sector to increase recruitment and retention and support business growth

Working with Communities: *Leverage unique links at place level to engage with communities*

- Capture and build on district community engagement, knowledge and expertise
- Expand district participation in current sector discussions / forums
- Strengthen sector oversight and assurance
- Enhance and sustain voluntary sector engagement and contribution
- A strategic commissioning approach in Lincolnshire
- Review opportunities to further develop districts preventative approach, engaging Wellbeing Lincs as a vehicle for co-production, collaboration and innovation

10. Key enablers for the work include:

- system leadership
- relationships, governance data and analytics
- funding
- impact evaluation

A full version of the Lincolnshire District Council Health & Wellbeing Strategy:



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(including background, methodology, development and strategic framework)