

JOINT ENABLING ACTIVE COMMUNITIES ACTION PLAN

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ACTION	IMPACT
DEVELOPING LOCAL SOLUTIONS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications plan about what we are doing, why and our expectations of communities • Develop stronger collaborative commissioning arrangements for building the capacity of the VCS • Further work to develop the EAC Joint Policy, which will include consideration of: exploring 'Lifetime Curve' concept alongside the Integrated Community Teams phase 2 framework, development of a co-production charter, peer-led commissioning, person-led commissioning, outcomes based commissioning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communities and staff are clear how they can be helped to create their own local solutions • Maximise efficient and effective activities led by the local VCS • Part of ongoing cycle of improving capacity within local communities
CREATING A KNOWLEDGEABLE COMMUNITY	
Raising awareness/interest/knowledge of staff about services and activities	
Access to, and promotion of, relevant information about what is available	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web-based portal containing relevant information about local VCS services and local assets (and possibly more). This will also include volunteering opportunities, highlighting places for people to come together and advertising examples of best practice to inspire action elsewhere • Roll-out of social prescribing (in context of alignment of employed capacity builder/connector roles – below) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff, people and communities are able to access a wide range of information sources regarding community help, activities, facilities and services • Vulnerable people are supported and signposted to access a wide range of information sources regarding community help, activities, facilities and services

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Public sector organisations to work together to ensure their collective investment in advice and information is better managed for impact and reviewed	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline assessment NHS/Gloucestershire County Council/District Councils/Police and Crime Commissioner funding of investment in advice and information services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A full picture of current investment across statutory organisations will enable informed commissioning of advice and information services, including creation of new joint commissioning arrangements
CREATING A CULTURE OF UTILISING OPPORTUNITIES	
How will health and care staff be trained and supported in sharing knowledge and information with individuals and communities?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alignment of employed community capacity builder/connector roles (e.g. village agents, local area co-ordinators, social prescribing community hub co-ordinators, Local Engagement Officers etc); also consider links to PCSOs, fire service staff, health improvement facilitators, health trainers, community health champions • Workforce development, including skills development (e.g. ICT coaching work) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing system confusion about differences in roles and how they support local communities and health and care professionals. Reducing duplication, gaining true understanding of available capacity and any potential gaps, thus ensuring vulnerable people are assisted to connect to the people, places and activities that will help them flourish • Aiming to shift professional attitudes away from 'doing things to people' to 'helping people to help themselves'
How will people interested in setting up new community groups be enabled to do (e.g. advice on fundraising, governance, marketing)?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information about available support to be collated (see Knowledgeable Communities section above) • Identify areas of need, then determine how and where to commission provision of area of need • Support seed funding community initiatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informed local people, staff and the public • Target resources to areas of greatest need • Support communities in creating local solutions

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How will communities be stimulated to identify where there are buildings with spare space?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Baseline assessment of vacant and under-occupied properties owned by statutory organisations | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To highlight available space for local communities and service-user led organisations to use at minimal cost (or free of charge) |
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NOTE:

- The lead individual/organisations responsible for each of the above actions will be determined by the EAC Policy Commissioning Group;
- It is envisaged that the above actions will be delivered over an extended period of time, each with its own timeline. The action plan will be reviewed and refreshed at regular intervals.