

## **Terms of Reference for Healthy Stevenage Partnership 2020-2022**

### **PURPOSE**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP'S purpose is to bring together all key partners and organisations in order to reduce health inequalities and improve the health and wellbeing of Stevenage residents.

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP has no mandated authority, but will work collectively to deliver its role, recognising that individual partner organisations have wider roles, agendas and services to deliver.

### **OBJECTIVES**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP objectives are to steer the contributions and efforts of Stevenage Borough Council and partner organisations in the same direction whilst focussing on the following key strategic objectives:

#### Health Improvement

- Reduce obesity rates among children and adults
- Increase physical activity rates among children and adults by targeting the most inactive
- Reduce the number of children and adults that smoke, particular among expectant mothers and routine manual workers
- Support adults and children to achieve good mental health and wellbeing
- Support older people to remain independent for as long as possible in their homes

#### Health Protection

- Provide and maintain a clean, safe and vibrant environment with access to parks and open spaces

#### Health Promotion

- Communicate better with local residents and professionals to raise awareness of local projects and services
- Support national health campaigns to reinforce key public health messages locally

#### Health Inequalities

- Provide high quality housing and developments in line with demand and population growth considering health and wellbeing through design.
- Regenerate Stevenage Town Centre creating more employment opportunities, providing an enhanced leisure and cultural offer and public spaces that facilitate health and wellbeing.

### **AIMS**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP aims to meet these objectives through:

- Partnership working with members and wider organisations, to provide more effective support to the community and the members themselves.
- Sharing and developing knowledge, expertise, experience and resources throughout.

- Sign-posting the community, members and wider organisations to existing or proposed support for health inequalities within the town
- Liaison with county based organisations and appropriate feedback to local partnerships when required.
- Promoting the role of THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP through meeting attendance and networking to position it as the primary forum for engaging with the local community.

### **STRATEGIC FIT**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE STRATEGY is linked to other key drivers for change including the following district and county strategies:

- Stevenage Re-Imagined: A Ten-Year Arts and Heritage (Cultural) Strategy (2018-2028)
- Sports Facility Assessment and Strategy 2014 – 2031
- Housing for Older People in Stevenage (draft)
- A Healthier Future: Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) for Herts and West Essex (2016-2021)
- Hertfordshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2016-2020)
- Hertfordshire Public Health Strategy (2017-2021)

### **REPORTING**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP reports to Stevenage Together, FutureTown – FutureCouncil Board, Stevenage ICDB, Public Health Board and Stevenage Borough Council. THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP will be accountable for the funding it handles, where applicable, and the decisions made at meetings through written records.

### **MEETINGS**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP will meet on a quarterly basis. An agenda will be provided in advance of the meeting and a note of the decisions of each main meeting will be made as a record. The Chair and note takers of the meeting will be selected and scheduled in advance and recorded on the previous meeting notes.

### **SUB-GROUPS**

Sub-groups may be formed as needed to take forward a particular programme. Records will be kept as needed; a report on the Sub-group shall be provided to the main meeting. The following Sub-groups have been added from 2020/2021:

- Sport Stevenage
- Young People's Healthy Hub
- Covid-19 Community Response

### **PARTNERS**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP currently consists of representatives from the following organisations or projects:

-Stevenage Borough Council  
-Stevenage FC Foundation

-Stevenage Sporting Futures  
-Home-Start Herts

- Mind in Mid Herts
- Stevenage Leisure Limited
- Sport Stevenage
- East and North Herts CCG
- NIHR/EoE ARC University of Hertfordshire
- Healthwatch Hertfordshire
- BeeZee Bodies
- HCC Public Health
- Herts Sports Partnership
- The Living Room
- The Family Centre
- NHS Lister Hospital

The list of partners is not exclusive to those listed and can include representatives from the public, private and voluntary sector with an emphasis on Health and Wellbeing of the community in Stevenage.

Attendance of meetings can be extended to wider organisations and guests as required.

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE 2020**

THE HEALTHY STEVENAGE PARTNERSHIP Terms of Reference should be reviewed every two years. This newly revised TOR replaces any previously issued versions until the next review in 2022 when the Healthy Stevenage Strategy 2018-2022 is due for review.

### **OFFICERS**

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