

# CONNECTED COVID-19 RESPONSE & RECOVERY PLAN

for Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Community Planning Partnership

2022 - 2023

Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon Community Planning Strategic Partnership has updated its Covid-19 Response & Recovery Plan.

### THE FOUR PRIORITY THEMES FOR ACTION ARE:





## Theme 1: Promoting Good Mental Health and Wellbeing



	ACTION	PRIORITIES	LEAD
1.1	Take 5 Develop and promote Take 5 and mental health first aid resources and project	<ul> <li>Support continued roll out of the Take 5 Ambassador Model.</li> <li>Promote uptake of Take 5 interactive resource.*</li> <li>Develop and promote a co-ordinated and tiered approach to mental health training across the Borough.</li> <li>*https://prezi.com/view/f9318uUkcRCFQdCstQ3H/</li> </ul>	<b>Deirdre McParland,</b> Southern Health and Social Care Trust (SHSCT)
1.2	<b>Be Active</b> Deliver Get Moving ABC Framework	<ul> <li>Communication Plan to effectively communicate benefits of lifelong participation in sport and physical activity</li> <li>Training Plan to create a community of Get Moving ABC Champions, and to strengthen links with the Take 5 Champions</li> <li>Engagement Plan to link with those who are least likely to participate in sport and physical activity</li> </ul>	Gillian Dewart, ABC Council Get Moving Partnership
1.3	<b>Give</b> Promote, champion and sustain volunteering	<ul> <li>Utilise Take 5 film and resources to promote and engage with key partners around volunteering benefits, needs and opportunities (volunteers, organisations, funders)</li> <li>Engage with key partners including Community and Voluntary Sector Panel, Peer Network and others to identify how organisations can be best supported to recruit, retain and support volunteers, and how can promote volunteering further</li> <li>Consider feedback from engagement process to identify key actions including succession planning, recruitment, volunteer sustainability, resilience and wellbeing</li> <li>Continue to build on Volunteer Week to promote and champion volunteering, and to support sustainable volunteering across the Borough</li> </ul>	Donna Stewart, Craigavon and Banbridge Volunteer Bureau Raquel Rodrigues, Volunteer Now
1.4	<b>Connect</b> Support and grow the Loneliness Network	<ul> <li>Destigmatise loneliness and connect services that support people</li> <li>Promote chatty benches and explore new initiatives such as chatty cafes</li> <li>Support Loneliness Awareness Week</li> <li>Develop and deliver loneliness training</li> </ul>	Sinead Taylor, SHSCT
1.5	<b>Promote self-care</b> of staff and volunteers within the CVSE sector within the CVSE	Collaborative approach to delivering accessible MHW support to staff and volunteers within CVSE sector organisations  • peer support / supporting and working better with colleagues  • self care programmes	Colin Loughran, Action Mental Health, CVS Panel

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2.1	Emergency Need Continue to provide food, energy and wraparound support to people experiencing poverty.	Develop social supermarkets model	Chris Leech, Craigavon Food Bank  Alison Beattie, ABC Council
2.2	Form an independent Anti- Poverty Forum for the Borough	<ul> <li>Research and create terms of reference for an Anti-Poverty and Social Inclusion Forum for the Borough</li> <li>Establish an Anti-Poverty Forum for the Borough connecting CVSP members, other CVSE organisations and others into this</li> </ul>	CVS Panel
2.3	Understanding Poverty and Exclusion Gain better evidence-base and understanding of lived experience across the Borough, and identifying ways to address it.	<ul> <li>Undertake research across the BoroughDevelop and implement engagement plan to ensure capture lived experiences of people, communities, organisations and groups</li> <li>Identify ways to address key issues raised through research and engagement</li> </ul>	
2.4	Employability and Skills Implement the Borough's Labour Market Partnership (LMP) Action plan	<ul> <li>Enterprise Pathways: provide business start up support for 16 - 24 year olds</li> <li>Covid Response Employment Programme: direct and specific interventions to reskill in areas where demand exceeds supply</li> <li>HGV Programme: help address the chronic shortage of HGV drivers.</li> </ul>	Nicola Wilson, ABC Council

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2.5 Housing	Enhance mix of tenure, and improve accessibility and affordability across the Borough's housing.	Sinead Collins, Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)
2.6 Age Friendly Borough Create a Borough that is welcoming, accessible and friendly borough for people of all ages	<ul> <li>Finalise Age Friendly Borough strategy</li> <li>Agree and implement action plan in collaboration with the Age Friendly Alliance</li> <li>Develop and implement communications and engagement plan</li> </ul>	<b>Stephanie Rock</b> , ABC Council and Age Friendly Alliance
2.7 People & Place Strategy Create a Borough that is welcoming, accessible and friendly borough for people of all ages	Local co-design process to feed into review the People & Place Strategy.	Nichola Creagh, DfC  Alison Clenaghan, ABC Council
2.8 PEACE PLUS	<ul> <li>Form a PEACE PLUS partnership for the borough to undertake co-design for Local ABC Community PEACE Action Plan under Theme 1, Building Peaceful and Thriving Communities.</li> <li>Delivery of ABC Community PEACE Action Plan.</li> </ul>	John Devaney & Alison Clenaghan, ABC Council





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3.1	Armagh Place Plan Develop and implement Armagh Place Plan	<ul> <li>Complete public consultation on the plan</li> <li>Evaluate the process</li> <li>Establish governance structure for delivery</li> </ul>	Lissa O'Malley, ABC Council  Lynne McDonald, DfC  Sinead Collins, NIHE
3.2	Place Plans Ongoing rollout of place planning in other urban areas in the Borough Refine approach and develop next place plan in another urban area in the borough	<ul> <li>Refine approach to place planning based on experience with Armagh Place Plan</li> <li>Identify next urban place to undertake place planning</li> <li>Develop place plan, approach and communications for next urban place</li> </ul>	Elaine Gillespie, ABC Council
3.3	<b>City of Culture</b> Advance bid for UK City of Culture 2025	<ul> <li>Develop and submit bid</li> <li>Revisit Creative Place action plan</li> </ul>	Brian Johnston, ABC Council

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4.1	Shared Leadership Support	Use learning from Carnegie Shared Leadership programmes to tailor leadership support to strategic and implementation leads across the partnership	Jennie Dunlop, ABC Council
4.2	Further embed the partnership's Community Engagement Strategy	Further embed engagement framework and standards	Michelle Markey, ABC Council and PB Working Group
4.3	<b>Community Empowerment</b> Further develop the Participatory Budgeting (PB) across the Borough	Implement the recommendations from the PB Roundtable to further develop PB as a delivery mechanism for the community plan.	Michelle Markey, ABC Council and PB Working Group
4.4	Support Community & Voluntary Sector Panel	Support steering group to facilitate panel and deliver their action plan in partnership with the wider community planning partnership	Michelle Markey, ABC Council
4.5	Promote The use of data and other evidence to inform the partnership's decisions and make available to public	<ul> <li>Deliver the performance management framework for the partnership at a population level and monitoring and evaluation of partnership actions.</li> <li>Share data and information across partners.</li> <li>Generate and share evidence on what works.</li> </ul>	Jennie Dunlop, ABC Council



The plan is based on the research and engagement undertaken as part of the partnership's last Statement of Progress 
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resident/our-progress-towards-outcomes.

The partnership has established four sub-committees to take forward this important work.

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## WHO IS INVOLVED?

The following partners have worked together to develop this plan and will continue collaborating to make it happen.























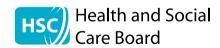












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