

SOUTH STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Day: Monday
Date: 14 November 2022
Time: 6.30 pm
Place: Zoom

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SOUTH STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

21 March 2022

Commenced: 18:30

Terminated: 19:30

Present: Councillors P Fitzpatrick (Chair), Robinson (Vice-Chair), Affleck, Bowden, Chadwick, Cooper, J Fitzpatrick Kitchen and R Welsh,

In Attendance: John Gregory Head of Community Safety and Homelessness
Claire Galt Chief Inspector (GMP)
Toby Knight Inspector (GMP)

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Owen and Alam

8. MINUTES

RESOLVED

The Minutes of the meeting of the North Strategic Neighbourhood Forum held on 18 January 2022 were approved as a correct record.

9. UPDATE FROM THE YOUTH SERVICE

The Head of Community Safety and Homelessness began by introducing the service that operated from seven locations throughout Tameside as follows:-

- Copley Youth Base
- Bennett Street Youth Club
- Blocksages Youth Club
- Mossley Youth Base
- Cyclops Adventure
- Cedar Park Youth Club
- Denton Festival Hall

It was explained that the team consisted of 8 full time members of staff and 12 part time members of staff who focused on a three-pronged approach to service delivery that consisted of Targeted Youth Work, Open Access Youth Work and Community Support.

With regards to Targeted Youth Work, there was a focus on cycling, music, a Youth Council, girls work, disability and LGBT+. The importance of the Youth Council was emphasised as it gave young people a voice and an opportunity to help shape and improve services for young people. There was an established bike project, which gave access to safe bikes, allowed independence and was a fun way for young people to keep active and healthy. Music was known to help with mental health and there were opportunities to play an instrument, write lyrics and have access to digital music. The disability work empowered young people to make their own informed decisions and there was a supportive and safe space for LGBT+ young people to seek advice and support for issues they encountered. The service had identified a growing trend of young women engaging in anti-social behaviour and steps had been introduced to challenge that behaviour and support them to make better choices.

Open Access Youth Work was available at Blocksages Youth Club, Bennett Street Youth Club, Copley Youth Base, Cedar Park Youth Club and Mossley Youth Base. It offered a safe space for children and young people to build trusted relationships with youth workers, who supported them through key transitions to adulthood, empowering them to make informed decisions, build resilience and learn transferable life skills. It was hoped as the locations were based within communities it

would encourage young people to become a positive influence in their communities. There were many activities for young people to engage in, including a 'tea time club', which provided a meal.

With regards to Community Support, there was an emphasis on detached youth work, which comprised of working on the streets or a space of the young person's choosing. It began with a low-level issue and a solution was found through negotiation. Pop up events were held and support was offered to all educational establishments that ranged from training in Restorative Approaches to Fresher's stalls and problem solving in the countryside. The service supported a successful food bank and food pantry and delivered Solihul parental training.

The Forum were advised that service delivery had continued throughout the pandemic as youth workers had been allocated essential service status by the Government. Guidance had been followed from the Governing Body and National Youth Agency and the service had remained fully covid compliant with no covid outbreaks. It was reported that over the past 12 months the team had delivered 1,751 sessions with 20,334 contacts.

Further information was provided on the work that was carried out in the locations situated within the North area - Cedar Park Youth Club, Cyclops Adventure and the food pantry. It was confirmed that the food pantry could operate in the same space as the youth club due to easily manoeuvrable storage and racking, enabling a multi-use space.

In response to questions on outreach work and bringing activities to other areas of the South Neighbourhood including Longdendale and Hattersley, the Head of Community Safety and Homelessness explained that resources were a challenge but review the arrangements with the Integrated Youth Manager to see what activities and detached work could be brought to other areas. The Forum were advised that activities were often discrete and work did take place in these areas but this would be reviewed and reported back to Members.

RESOLVED

That the content of the presentation be noted.

10. UPDATE FROM GMP

The Chair welcomed Chief Inspector Claire Galt and Inspector Toby Knight Greater Manchester Police, who had attended the Forum to deliver an update on Neighbourhood Policing.

Chief Inspector Galt began by providing details of a public consultation on Neighbourhood Policing to be held at Dukinfield Town Hall on Thursday 14 April 2022. A member of the Chief Officer Team would attend the event where the public would be given the opportunity to ask questions, voice their concerns and complete a survey, which would help shape local policing in the area. Members were encouraged to attend the event and to make their constituents aware.

Inspector Knight delivered a presentation and update on Neighbourhood Policing in the South area. It was reported that a drugs warrant had been executed, resulting in the arrest of two people for cultivation, possession of cannabis and an offensive weapon. ASB and tehf had been targeted with high profile patrols. Working with the Council waste carrier compliance checks had been undertaken. Seeding and parking issues around Great Norbury Street, Hyde were looked at with colleagues in special operations, this would be continued going forward. Further, checks had taken place on Taxi's and Private high vehicles around Hyde Town Centre and the Interchange and a weapons sweep had taken place around the Grid Iron area. The Forum were advised that as part of OP AVRO, 30 arrests were made and thousands of pounds of goods were seized.

An update was provided on #OperationSaferTameside, the operation focused on Violence against women and girls. It was reported that the last one took place on Friday and details would be provided at the next meeting. The operation focused on

- Street briefing in the community to provide reassurance

- VLP checks The Albion, The Cotton Bale and Old Joss
- Anti-drink spiking posters handed out as well as lids for drinks
- High visibility patrols in Town Centre and interchange
- Patrols in Hyde park, Millenium Park and Sam Redfern park

The Forum were advised that the next Operation was planned on the 25 March 2022, which would focus on Traffic and Road Safety.

It was reported that every month the two neighbourhood teams come together to garget a problem or an area. In February the teams focused on Hyde Town Centre and Hattersley McDonalds regarding ASB issues. In March the teams focused on Werneth Low ASB, Parking and Drugs.

Current priorities were set out to the Forum. Priorities in Hyde Werneth were on Drug dealing in Grid Iron, Drive Offs near the Shell Garage and ASB in Werneth Low. Within Hyde Godley there was a focus on shoplifting at the Hyde Town Centre and ASB in Hyde Mark Ground, Hyde Bus Station and around KFC. Priorities in Hyde Newton included ASB around the Bradley Green Estate, Stolen vehicles and ASB in Foxwood Drive Car Park and a repeat caller on Carter Street. In Hattersley and Longdendale, theft of motor vehicles was a concern due to a unknown offender on the Hattersley estate, criminal damage and ASB would be a focus on Market Street in Hollingworth. Further, Off road bikes, quad bikes at the ken ward sports centre playing fields were a priority.

Inspector Knight provided information of successes and good news stories. Members were advised that a Business Watch had been set up in Hyde Town Centre. Four out of Five priority shoplifters in Hyde had been Imprisoned and subject of a CBO. There had been an increase in staffing to 7 police officers and 11 PCSO's. There had been a re-introduction of face to face surgeries and plans were being developed to improve engagement with minority communities.

Members discussed the parking issues on Market Street and highlighted the issues at night. Cars were being left blocking the pavement at night, making it for difficult with those in wheelchairs or with buggies. It was explained that this issue required civil enforcement officers to enforce and that there was a significant amount of precedent and case work on obstruction on pavements. There needed to be a significant amount of work to chance the culture in this area and how the cars were being parked.

Discussion ensued on the Queens Triangle and on the options to best prevent parking issues in this area. Inspector Knight explained that in the future he wished to look at setting up a Farmwatch which would help in these areas.

RESOVLED

That the content of the presentation be noted.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED

That the provisional date of the next meeting of the North Strategic Neighbourhood Forum scheduled for 28 June 2022 be noted.

CHAIR

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14 November 2022

UPDATE ON SEASONAL VACCINATIONS (COVID-19 & FLU)

James Mallion – Assistant Director of Population Health

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COVID-19 & Flu in Tameside

- Levels of Covid-19 infection and the impacts are lower than seen in previous waves.
- Recent increase with the ONS survey estimating around 1 in 30 people currently infected (similar rate across England and Tameside)
- Due to national policy there is less testing and fewer measures in place to tackle the spread of Covid-19 but vaccination remains a key way to protect the most vulnerable

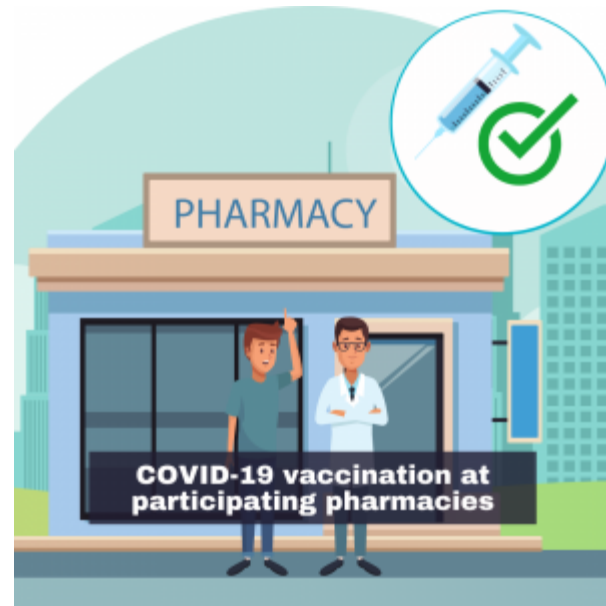
- Covid-19 booster is being offered this autumn/winter to:
 - People aged 50 years and older
 - Residents in care homes (older people)
 - Those aged 5 years and over in a clinical risk group
 - Health and social care staff

- Seasonal flu vaccinations are being offered this autumn/winter to:
 - People aged 50 years and older
 - Residents in care homes (older people)
 - Those aged 6 months and over in a clinical risk group
 - Health and social care staff
 - Children – toddlers aged 2 and 3; all primary school children; secondary school children in Years 7, 8 and 9
 - Pregnant women
 - Carers and those in close contact with immunocompromised people




Progress with Vaccinations (1)

- For the highest risk groups, vaccinations have been done as a priority
 - Care home residents and staff all done Sept/early October
 - Home visits to the housebound
 - Specialist approaches in some services eg. homeless / drugs and alcohol
- There are also dedicated programmes
 - Schools – delivered across Greater Manchester by Intrahealth
 - Community pharmacies also offer flu vaccinations (and some have also started offering Covid boosters)
 - Health & Social Care Staff – via the hospital and the council programme for all staff



Progress with Vaccinations (2)

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COVID19 at risk	34499	88.4%	85.4%	70.5%	26.0%	2.2%																													
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable	13602	93.5%	91.6%	82.7%	51.6%	23.8%																													
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Covid At Risk 12-15	628	61.3%	48.0%	11.9%	1.6%	0.0%																													
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Covid At Risk 5-11	792	15.8%	9.7%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%																													
5 - 11 year olds	19785	12.9%	7.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%																													

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Flu Vaccinations

	LAST YEAR	THIS YEAR
Week Ending	24-Oct-21	23-Oct-22
65 & Over - Target 75%	52.1%	56.2%
Under 65 (at-risk only) - Target 75%	20.0%	16.2%
All Pregnant Women - Target 75%	10.3%	11.9%
Carers - Target NONE	23.8%	24.6%
All Aged 2 - Target 75%	19.7%	11.5%
All Aged 3 - Target 75%	19.6%	14.9%
All Aged 50 - 64 - Target NONE	20.7%	25.5%

WHAT ARE WE DOING TO MAXIMISE UPTAKE THIS YEAR

- Ongoing focus to address inequalities in uptake – considering the data and where to focus our efforts – approaches currently being used include doing pop-up sessions at venues such as food banks / supermarkets
- Got out with early communications and messaging around the importance of vaccination
- Robust workforce offer including a funded offer for all council and school/college staff to get a free flu vaccination
- Focus on priority groups – bespoke work with midwifery to make it easy for pregnant women to get flu vaccination including dedicated staff in clinics / drop-ins
- Clear approach in each PCN with options promoted for bookable and walk-in appointments for both Covid-19 and flu vaccinations
- Offering flu and Covid-19 vaccinations together where possible
- Addressing other health issues – the Hyde Team have been offering Health Checks to those attending for vaccinations as well

Hyde Primary Care Network – Autumn / Winter Vaccinations

Autumn Covid Booster Offer:

- Hyde has opened a new drive-thru site this season at Tesco Hattersley and make the use of our base at Hattersley Hub to offer a vaccine hub in our most deprived area.
- Demand has now started to slow with 2 invites gone out to all groups
- Hyde now making use of inequalities funding for outreach to minority groups i.e. mosques and local food banks.
- Hyde has also been carrying out health checks (BP, SATS, Height & Weight) alongside our vaccination clinics to make every contact count and tackle wider health issues and inequalities

Uptake Data:

- As of 31st October
 - 49% of patients aged over 65 have received their seasonal influenza vaccine.
 - 72% of patients aged between 18-64 and at risk have received their seasonal influenza vaccine.
 - 15% of patients aged 2-3 have received their seasonal influenza vaccine (some practices are yet to start their clinics for this group)
- Since the start of September Hyde has administered
 - 10,800 Autumn Covid Booster Vaccines, which is around 40% of eligible patients
 - 8,100 Flu Vaccines, which is around 30% of eligible patients.
- Current future bookings are at 1330 Autumn Boosters & 1095 Flu until 10th November



COMMUNICATIONS

Recent activity

- Social media channels used to announce the launch of Greater Manchester winter vaccinations campaign
 - themed 'Monster Mayhem' (21 Oct).
 - All GP practices, key partners and stakeholders encouraged to promote GM campaign and sent newsletter
 - Social media channels used to promote the 'National Booster Your Immunity This Winter' campaign assets
 - for the over 50s - to book a slot when invited.
 - PCN vaccination clinics updated on [website](#) and in Twitterstraps which are shared with local media, partners and promoted using council communication channels.
 - All key messages around vaccination to be published in November's Citizen, October's LiveWire.
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- Leader's brief and Chief Executive brief promoting both Covid and flu vaccination programme
- Brief item 'Get your free flu jab' promoting staff flu vaccination programme with photos of Debbie Watson, James Mallion and Cllr Wills
- Tameside Gets Jabbing – press, intranet, social media, websites, weekly brief, LiveWire.
 - National winter vaccinations campaign launched 24 October with a social media toolkit and videos.
 - November photoshoot with Cllr Wills and relevant officers at the GM Monster Mayhem visit in Ashton Market
 - GM press release to confirm eligibility, to encourage uptake & localised to announce the date Monsters are visiting Ashton.
 - Roadside railing banner campaign to start 8 Nov for 4 weeks to target those eligible and outside Children's Centres to target 2-3 year olds.



SPREAD THE WORD

- We are keen to encourage as many people as possible to book and have their Covid-19 and flu vaccinations if eligible. There is still time and there are lots of opportunities to do this
- Residents can contact their GP / check at a local pharmacy
- Check the Tameside website for further information on bookable and walk-in sessions
<https://www.tameside.gov.uk/covidvaccine>
- You may have received invites via text but people can also check their eligibility at
<http://gmintegratedcare.org.uk/get-my-jab/>

QUESTIONS?



Denton/Droylsden Covid-19 Vaccination Clinics

Wednesday 12 October 9.30am-1.30pm at Clinic Christ Church, Denton

Thursday 20 October 8.30am-6pm at Festival Hall, Denton

Friday 21 October 9.30am-12 noon at Aldwinians Rugby Club, Droylsden

Wednesday 26 October 8.30am-6pm at Festival Hall, Denton

Wednesday 2 November 2pm-4.30pm at Droylsden Youth Football Club, Lewis Road, Droylsden

Thursday 3 November 8.30am-6pm at Festival Hall, Denton

Wednesday 9 November 2pm-4.30pm at Haughton Green Centre, Tatton Road, Denton

Thursday 10 November 8.30am-6pm at Festival Hall, Denton

All other clinics are now fully booked. Autumn Boosters available for eligible patients.

No under 18's, 1st or 2nd vaccines are being offered at these clinics. No flu vaccinations available at these clinics

Please book an appointment online www.tamesideandglossop.nhsvaccinations.co.uk/#booking

WE WILL ONLY ACCEPT BOOKED APPOINTMENTS - NO WALK-INS

Any queries please call: 07306403262 or email: gmicb-tameside.dentoncovidqueries@nhs.net

Hyde Covid-19 Vaccination Clinics

NO DRIVE THRU. To book call 0161 368 5426.

COVID-19 vaccination for ALL ages.

- Thursday 27 October 2022 at 4pm-8pm

COVID-19 booster and flu vaccinations for the under 65s

- Saturday 29 October 2022 at 9am-4pm
- Saturday 5 November 2022 at 2pm-5pm

COVID-19 booster ONLY

- Thursday 10 November 2022 at 4pm-8pm.

Please note, if you don't have access to a car, or are attending a health check, or a medical review, your appointment will be delivered in the building next door to Tesco: The Hub, Stockport Road, Mottram In Longendale, Hyde SK14 6AF.

Flu and COVID-19 Booster vaccination clinics are open to people under 65 who have been invited to attend. If you don't want to receive both vaccinations at the same time, please book either "Flu Only" or "Covid Autumn Booster".



Stalybridge COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

No walk-in, by appointment only.

The following clinics will be held at Stalybridge Civic Hall, SK15 2BN:
Monday 3 October, Tuesday 4 October and Wednesday 5 October from 4pm to 8pm.

The following clinics will be held at Stalybridge Primary Care Network, Waterloo Road, SK15 2AU:
Monday 10 October, Tuesday 11 October, Wednesday 12 October from 9am to 4pm
Monday 24 October, Tuesday 25 October and Wednesday 26 October from 9am to 4pm
Monday 7 November, Tuesday 8 November and Wednesday 9 November from 9am to 4pm

Primary COVID vaccinations (1st, 2nd, 3rd), ages 5+, Boosters, Flu
Book online at www.tamesideandglossop.nhsvaccinatinos.co.uk or call 0161 342 5300.

Other venues and dates

Tameside venues www.tameside.gov.uk/covidvaccine

National www.nhs.uk/coronavirus-vaccination or call 119

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Agenda Item 4

Report to:	SOUTH STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM
Date:	14 November 2022
Executive Member:	Councillor Vimal Choksi – Executive Member (Towns and Communities)
Reporting Officer:	Julian Jackson, Director of Place
Subject:	ASHTON PUBLIC REALM - ASHTON MARKET SQUARE AND OUTDOOR MARKET
Report Summary:	The report provides an update on the draft proposal for the redevelopment of Market Square and the outdoor market including the key findings of consultation and engagement work to date.
Recommendations:	That the Neighbourhood Forum comment on the draft proposal for Market Square redevelopment, including the future provision of the outdoor market, as part of the public consultation agreed by Executive Cabinet at its meeting on 26 October 2022.
Corporate Plan:	Key aims of the Corporate Plan are to provide opportunities for people to fulfil their potential through work, skills and enterprise and to ensure modern infrastructure and a sustainable environment that works for all generations and future generations. The interventions that will be supported by the proposed Ashton Development Zone will deliver against these aims in the areas of job creation, modern infrastructure and a sustainable environment.
Policy Implications:	The proposed interventions will support the policy aims of the Council's Inclusive Growth Strategy 2021, Tameside Climate Change & Environment Strategy, the Council's growth priorities agreed at Council February 2020 and the draft Greater Manchester Places for Everyone joint development strategy.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the statutory Section 151 Officer)	<p>The report requests approval to commence a consultation on the public realm strategy and related works in Ashton Town Centre.</p> <p>The related works will be financed via levelling up capital grant funding awarded to the Council of £19,870,000 (total grant award). Within this sum, £11,200,000 is allocated to finance public realm improvements in the town centre.</p> <p>In addition to this sum the approved capital programme has a budget allocation of £4,916,000 for public realm works across the whole borough. A total budget allocation of £16,116,000.</p> <p>The estimated maximum total cost of the proposals set out in table 1 section 3.7 is £10,832,846. There is also additional estimated expenditure of £1,000,000 envisaged as explained in section 3.7. Therefore the maximum cost of the proposal is estimated to be £11,832,846 which will be financed via the £16,116,000 available budget.</p>

The outcome and implications of the consultation will be subject to Member approval via a further report at a later date. The report will need to include details of the proposed capital works and related cost implications.

The report will also need to include details of the implications on the revenue budget of the Council. This will include (but is not limited to) the evaluation and impact of rent and service charge income received via market stall holders and market ground kiosk tenants together with the future maintenance related expenditure of the proposed option selected (as set out in table 1, section 3.7).

Legal Implications :
(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

This report details the steps taken to date and the next steps required in relation to the proposals for Market Square and the outdoor market for Ashton Town Centre

12 weeks is considered the optimal period for an effective consultation process. Clearly this is part of an on- going consultation process as there has already been consultation to engage with key partners and the public to help shape the next phase of consultation. The outcome from the consultation should then be given careful and meaningful consideration by the decision makers as this project progresses. Noting that it will be monitored through Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel.

Risk Management:

Risks associated with the project are being monitored through the Ashton LUF programme risk register. Delays to the consultation process could have significant implications on the overall delivery programme.

Background Information:

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Damien Cutting, Economic Growth Lead



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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 On 27 October 2021, it was announced that the £19,870,000 Levelling Up Fund (LUF) bid for Ashton Town Centre had been successful. The specific interventions proposed in the LUF bid were prepared in accordance with the requirements of the LUF and are critical to unlocking the comprehensive redevelopment of the Town Centre; supporting a coherent vision and completing of the final phase of Vision Tameside.
- 1.2 The Council has now commenced delivery of the Ashton Town Centre LUF programme in the context of an emerging wider strategic vision for Ashton Town Centre following the decision by Executive Cabinet on 24 November 2021. A Memorandum of Understanding with Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) was signed in February 2022, which has enabled the first payments of the grant to be drawn down by the Council. A further update was provided to Executive Cabinet on 9 February 2022. Progress on delivery of the Ashton Town Centre LUF programme and public realm works is reported quarterly to the Council's Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel
- 1.3 The interventions supported by the LUF are critical to unlocking the comprehensive redevelopment of the Town Centre and integrating with other as part of a coherent vision, completing of the final phase of Vision Tameside. The enabling works will act as a catalyst for significantly accelerating delivery of the comprehensive transformation of the Town Centre and unlock its full potential.
- 1.4 Work has commenced on the preparation of a draft proposal (Phase One) for the improvement of Market Square and the outdoor market in Ashton that will be used to shape future design proposals for this key public space in the Ashton Town Centre. The draft proposal has been costed and formulated from feedback received at the Love Ashton Event in March and from discussions with Council officers, key stakeholders and market traders.
- 1.5 Within the wider Ashton LUF programme grant funding of £5,300,000 has been secured associated with the former interchange site. The Council is currently finalising the acquisition of this site from Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) that will be the subject of a separate report to Executive Cabinet later in 2022. Following acquisition the Council will be able to commence enabling infrastructure works, comprising land remediation and service diversions, to unlock the site for new uses. This work will be undertaken in the context of longer term opportunities for redevelopment, public realm and movement within the Town Centre.

2. ASHTON PUBLIC REALM STRATEGY

- 2.1 A multidisciplinary team led by Planit IE were procured via STaR in January 2022 to prepare a strategy for the redevelopment Ashton Town Centre. The Public Realm Strategy will cover the whole of the town centre of Ashton however, given the successful Levelling Up Fund monies, Phase One of the strategy includes further detail on a draft proposal for the redevelopment of Market Square and the outdoor market.
- 2.2 Pre-consultation has been undertaken including discussions with Council officers, key stakeholders, Ashton Towne Team, Ashton market traders and with the local community at the Love Ashton event held in Ashton Market Hall on 12 March 2022. A consultation strategy includes a summary of comments received at the Love Ashton event, all of which have led into the emerging proposals and concepts of the next stage consultation brochure, which will be presented at the meeting. It was very clear from feedback at the Love Ashton event that residents and visitors to Ashton want to see change and an improved offer of the Market Square with many people favouring the idea of a canopied structure in the square. Anti-social behaviour associated with the existing market stalls was also high on the number of comments that people made with many references to feeling unsafe in the area.

- 2.3 An emerging vision aims to ... *to create a fantastic town centre for Ashton-under-Lyne. We are creating a plan to breathe new life into Ashton, to bring more shops, people, and homes, and create a healthier town centre for all people*. In response to this emerging vision and the consultation carried out so far, a draft proposal is included in the Executive Summary illustrating how a rejuvenated Ashton Market Square could be delivered. The draft proposal focuses on providing a high quality and flexible Market Square to meet a host of different user needs including local people, visitors, market traders and event providers.
- 2.4 Consultation and engagement to date has identified that delivery of significant improvements to the outdoor market and Market Square in Ashton is a priority for the local community. Market Square and the market stalls continue to attract anti-social behaviour which in turn, deters people from visiting the area, new businesses from setting up in the centre of Ashton and a general overall negative perception of the town centre. Furthermore, the market stall structures detract from the visibility of key heritage assets in Ashton Town Hall and Ashton Market Hall, they are costly to maintain, have problems with drainage, and the ground levels where the market stalls are situated are uneven resulting in difficulties getting around for elderly people or those with mobility issues.
- 2.5 The Council has secured funding of £19,870,000 from LUF, of which £11,200,000 is identified for public realm works in the Town Centre for delivery by 31 March 2025. As the priority area of focus is to deliver works linked to Market Square, the public realm strategy and some of the design principles are primarily focused on this area and its immediate surrounds. However, the Public Realm Strategy includes proposals, strategies and design principles for the whole of the Town Centre. It will be important that Ashton Town Centre has a clear vision and plan in place in order to respond positively to future funding initiatives as and when they emerge in order to deliver these later phases of works.

3. PHASE ONE - MARKET SQUARE / ASHTON MARKET DRAFT PROPOSAL

- 3.1 The draft proposal for the redevelopment of Market Square (including Ashton outdoor market) has been costed and falls within the identified LUF budget allocated for the public realm in the town centre. Further detail on costings for the draft proposal is identified in Table 1 below. The next stage will focus on the Detailed Design and Construction of Market Square. If there is agreement following the consultation period on the draft proposal, work will commence on detailed costings. The detailed design for this scheme has a 12 month programme for completion.
- 3.2 The proposed works for Market Square will look to improve the quality of the public realm, accessibility and mobility of the square, an improved outdoor market offer including the creation of a flexible town square to incorporate a range of uses and possibilities that will enhance the area and the town as a visitor destination in its own right. The extent of adaptations and improvements to Market Square is dependent on the future ambition and provision of the outdoor market.
- 3.3 The total cost of the draft proposal is £10,832,846 and will include the removal of all of kiosks and market stalls and replacing them with the construction of a large canopy or a series of canopied structures (including a canopy attached to Market Hall) that will include flexible market units to meet the needs of modern market traders.
- 3.4 Costings for the draft proposal has been based on the Gold Standard of public realm delivery and include an annual 8.4% inflation allowance. Silver and Bronze Standards have also been costed for the draft proposal but will result in a lower quality material of public realm and so it is considered neither Silver or Bronze Standards would achieve the desired ambition for the public realm in Ashton. The draft proposal for a flexible, modern Market Square with canopies will include the entire clearance of all existing market stalls and kiosks. Concepts for this approach are based on feedback received from stakeholders and the local community at the

Love Ashton Event. This includes the installation of a large canopy with the opportunity for flexible units for market traders beneath the canopy and elsewhere in the square. The total cost of the draft proposal is estimated at £10,832,846 (excludes VAT, professional fees, other Local Authority fees and other 'On-Costs') and includes an 8.4% inflation allowance on top of total costs detailed (between 2022 and 2024).

- 3.5 There are a significant number of advantages of progressing the draft proposal which include the opportunity to open up the views to heritage buildings in the square, shelter for traders and visitors from the elements, reduce the likelihood of ASB by removing the fixed stalls and providing modern market facilities. Ultimately, the clearance of the existing stalls and kiosks will enable the comprehensive redevelopment of Market Square that will deliver a much more flexible space for a multitude of uses in addition to a modern outdoor market, to enable small and larger scale events to take place. The main disadvantages of the draft proposal is that it will inevitably lead to disruption to market traders whilst the work takes place. Measures will need to be put in place to ensure disruption caused to traders is minimised. Specialist consultants in market operations will be included in the multi-disciplinary team to support the practicalities and logistics when the scheme is to be delivered.
- 3.6 A high level breakdown of the costs for the draft proposal are included in table 1 below. These costings will be subject to detailed design work due to commence imminently.
- 3.7 The £10,832,846 estimated cost for delivery of the works excludes VAT (which is recoverable for a council), professional fees, other Local Authority fees and other 'On-Costs'. However the analysis of these additional costs that will be incurred under the detailed design package, to be procured via STaR for the period covering outline design to practical completion, is that these will total £1million. There is an existing budget allocation of £4,916,000 for public realm works in the approved capital programme. The detailed costings will be undertaken in the detailed design package.

Table 1

	Element/Phase		Area (m2)	Gold £	Silver £	Bronze £
A	PUBLIC REALM WORKS					
	Phase 1	Market Square	10,638			
		Site Clearance		265,950	265,950	265,950
		Paving		3,989,250	3,510,540	2,978,640
		Steps/Seating Plinths		250,000	150,000	150,000
		Tree Planting		500,000	400,000	210,000
		Other Planting		150,000	120,000	80,000
		Drainage		265,950	212,760	159,570
		Service Diversions		250,000	150,000	40,000
		Lighting		425,520	265,950	212,760
		Furniture		350,000	275,000	200,000
		Power and Water		100,000	100,000	50,000
		Maintenance		80,000	80,000	80,000
		Preliminaries (20%)		1,325,334	1,106,040	885,354
		Inflation (8.4%)		667,968	557,444	446,234
		Contingency (10%)		893,550	734,285	583,839
		Sub Total		9,513,522	7,927,969	6,342,347

B	MINOR BUILDING WORKS					
	Phase 1	Market Square Canopy		1,098,208	1,098,208	1,098,208
	Phase 2	Market Hall Alterations		221,116	221,116	221,116
TOTAL				10,832,846	9,247,293	7,661,671

4. PROGRAMME

- 4.1 Timescales for delivery are very tight in line with the Levelling Up Funding agreement of works being completed in full by March 2025. Some of the key milestones are included below:
- Procurement of design team to undertake detailed design and construction: October 2022 – October 2023
 - Consultation on Phase One of the Ashton Public Realm Strategy: End of October 2022/beginning of November for a period of 4 weeks to the first week in December.
 - Technical survey work: December 2022 – February 2023
 - Start of early physical works which could include the removal of redundant stalls and kiosks: May 2023
 - Procurement of contractor: February 2024
 - Main construction phase: February 2024 – March 2025

5. NEXT STEPS

- 5.1 The Council are now seeking to undertake public consultation on Phase One of the Public Realm Strategy, which includes the draft proposal for the redevelopment of Market Square using funding secured from Levelling Up Fund. It is proposed that consultation will begin week commencing at the end of October 2022/start of November for a period of 4 weeks. Briefing updates to Ashton Ward members, Ashton Town Team, a market traders group and other key stakeholders will take place before consultation commences.
- 5.2 Consultation material will be available online and an event will also be held at Ashton Market Hall where the local community will be able to speak with Council officers and members of the consultant team around the emerging proposals which will be displayed on exhibition boards at various locations in the town centre.
- 5.3 Once the consultation period has ended, comments and feedback will be collated. This will inform preparation of the final proposals for the Phase One works for Executive Cabinet approval.
- 5.4 The team are in the process of procuring a detailed design and construction team that will be multidisciplinary and include architects, landscape architects, market specialists and engineers. Once appointed, the team will begin to refine the detail around the draft proposal and will be subject to further public consultation.
- 5.5 Timescales for delivery of the works to Market Square is challenging and the funding agreement is clear that monies need to be spent and works completed by March 2025. This is achievable within the current delivery programme on the assumption that this phase of consultation is completed by November 2022 to enable the first stages of the detailed design stage to progress.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 As set out at the front of the report.



Ladysmith, The Arcades and Ashton Market



Ashton Market Square and Market Hall



Ashton Old Town



A Public Realm Strategy for Ashton-under-Lyne, Phase 1 - Market Quarter

A catalyst for further regeneration



Have your say

On the plans and ideas to improve Ashton town centre

“ We are looking to create a fantastic town centre for Ashton-under-Lyne. We are creating a plan to breathe new life into Ashton, to bring more shops, people, and homes, and create a healthier town centre for all people. ”

→ HAVE YOUR SAY
Let us know what you think of the draft proposal that we have been working on with your input. You will have until Friday 2nd December to let us know your views.



What is Happening?

This document gives you an understanding about the ideas that we are exploring for improvements to the town centre.

A wider public realm strategy is currently being prepared for the town centre. The focus for this consultation will be on Phase 1: Market Quarter (including the outdoor market) with later phases to follow.

Your ideas will help to shape the plans and improve the area you live, shop and visit with friends and family.

Levelling-up Fund 2021

The Council has gained further grant funding to continue this comprehensive transformation of the town centre and has recently been successful in its £19.87m Levelling Up Fund bid to support the next stage of regeneration.

- A. Land remediation of the former interchange site
- B. Cycling and public realm improvements
- C. Restoration of Ashton Town Hall
- D. Further development of St Petersfield into a cutting edge business park for innovation and tech firms
- E. Residential, leisure and the delivery of a wider diversity of town centre uses with increased town centre living.

The Story so Far

The Love Ashton engagement event took place on Saturday 13th March 2022, at Ashton Market Hall, your feedback is important and has shaped our plans.

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council appointed Planit-IE and Civic Engineers to undertake a Public Realm and Movement strategy for Ashton-under-Lyne Town Centre. We gathered the public's initial ideas and thoughts about how they wanted to see improvements in the town centre, the feedback has helped to shape our proposal.

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Key Comments

- Market square is characterless-missing the vibrant atmosphere from the past. It should be an attraction and destination rather than a cluttered space.
- Generally unkempt, with deteriorating materials, and lack of greenery.
- Market stalls are unattractive, impractical and in bad condition.
- Safety issues in the square, related to anti-social behaviour, poor lighting and visibility.
- Accessibility from public transport should be improved, as well as connections to St. Petersfield and the rest of Ashton Town Centre.

Improve signage to the town

Market stalls are unattractive and not practical

Make the area more of a community hub where meetings can take place forums and maybe even as a wedding venue.

Lack of greenery

Missing the once vibrant market stalls and atmosphere

Thank you for your feedback so far, it has helped to shape our ideas and plans

Residents need safe and attractive walks



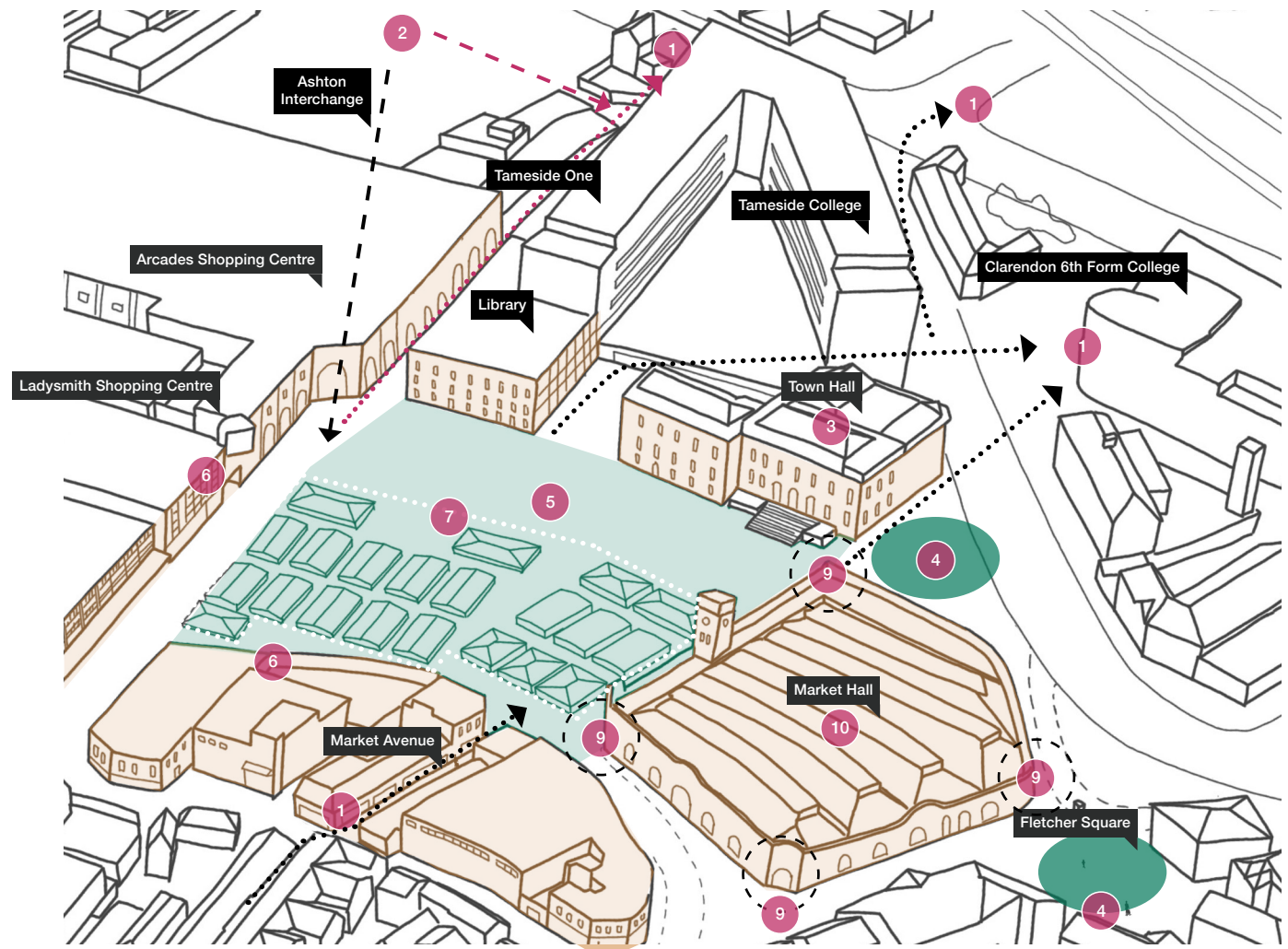
Market Quarter

The regeneration of the Market Quarter presents an exciting opportunity for Ashton town centre as a new modern market town offering space for different types of events. Our plans consider the Market's strengths and weaknesses.

The Market Quarter includes the Market Square, the impressive Market Hall and Town Hall. The public realm has the potential to enhance the market and the cultural and leisure offer in the town centre.

Revitalising the Market Hall to connect the inside with the outside Market Square will encourage footfall and create a space for a variety of events. The Grade II Listed Town Hall will be refurbished and its heritage celebrated. Activities will spill out into the Market Square and encourage footfall and future investment.

Tameside One College and Clarendon Sixth Form College are within easy reach of the Market. The proposal to regenerate of the Market as the heart of the town will encourage students, young people and adults to visit and spend time in Ashton.



Contextual Analysis and Development

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| 1. Improve visual connectivity | 4. Opportunity for play, for families and students | 7. Re-orientate market stalls to simplify space | 10. Opportunity to enhance existing food offer inside and outside |
| 2. Enhanced transport hub connections | 5. Generous Market Square size creates opportunity for events | 8. Improve anti-social behaviour | |
| 3. Town Hall activity encourages footfall | 6. Opportunity for ground floor uses to engage with the street / public realm | 9. Potential to create defined entrance to Market Hall | |

Market Quarter

Market Quarter, You've Said, We've Listened. Your feedback has been considered and has shaped the design proposal.

Ashton Market is the beating heart of the town. A modern market for everyone, a destination attracting locals and visitors, hosting a range of entertaining events.

The vision includes the following key design elements:

A flexible space to support a programme of entertainment and cultural events to attract visitors into the town centre.

Accessible and inclusive. A robust and durable single unified surface to meet modern accessibility standards.

- A layout to encourage permeability of visitors through the space, considering connections to the surrounding streets.
- Increased outdoor seating and tables for eating and drinking to support and enhance spill out from the market hall.
- A new canopy to provide a designated under-cover area for markets to include flexible and durable market stalls
- New trees and planting to create an attractive environment and improve air quality and carbon sequestration.
- An improved waste management system, improved public toilet facilities, and designated storage for stallholders.

A welcoming high quality modern Market Square

Supporting the day and night time offer with outdoor, weather proof seating

Improve visibility, future proof connections and enhance legibility in the square

Celebrate the Market Hall

Add attractive planting and trees, creating amenity to increase dwelling time in the square

Facilitate walking and increase footfall

The Market Square as it is today:



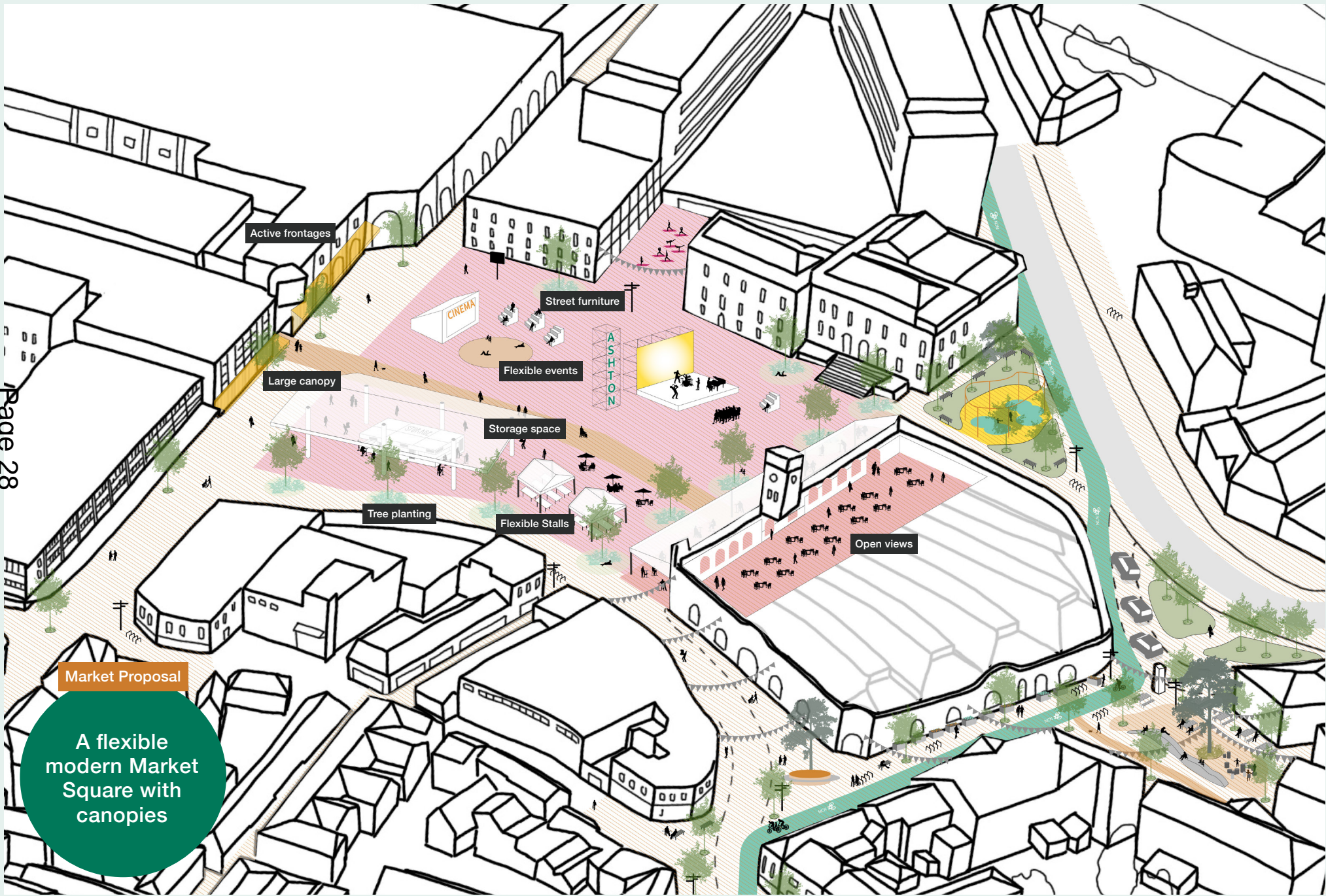
Town Hall building currently closed to the Market Square



Opportunity for anti-social behaviour issues within kiosks



Stalls and kiosk structure block views to heritage



Market Proposal

A flexible modern Market Square with canopies

Our emerging Vision for the Market Quarter



Our emerging Vision for the Market Quarter



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Get in Touch!

Your views and opinions are important to us and we would appreciate your input into the survey to shape our proposal, this will ensure that the most appropriate scheme comes forward for the community and its surroundings.

The consultation period will run for six weeks to give people time to consider and comment on the ideas included in the Ashton public realm strategy. The consultation period will run for 4 weeks.

There will be further occasions to give feedback and comment as the design progresses following this consultation.

In terms of the draft proposal for Ashton Market Quarter:

What changes would you like to see in Ashton Market Quarter?

What kind of events/activities would you like to see in Ashton Market Quarter?

Looking at the consultation material, do you agree with the design in the draft proposal for the Ashton Market Quarter?

Contact Details

Other ways you can obtain more information and give your views:

By email:

ashton.publicrealm@tameside.gov.uk

By post:

Gregg Stott, Assistant Director
Tameside One
PO Box 317
Ashton Under Lyne
OL6 0GS

By phone:

0161 342 5500 (Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm)

In attendance:

View proposal at the Market Hall.

Next Steps

- Public consultation: End of October/beginning of November 2022 for a period of 4 weeks
- Technical survey work: December 2022- February 2023
- Early Market Square works commence: May 2023
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→ HAVE YOUR SAY

Let us know what you think of the draft proposal.

Please give your feedback answering the questionnaire

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Local Response Cost of Living Crisis



Why is a local response needed?

- Poverty is more than just a lack of income, other areas such as physical and mental health, education, housing and the ability to participate fully in public life must also be considered.
- Tameside Council, alongside partners in the public, private and voluntary sector, recognises the severity of the current crisis and is working hard to support residents.

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What are we doing?

- Immediate Response Action Plan
- 'Helping Hand Tameside'
- Warm Welcome Hubs
- Longer Term Response
 - Needs Assessment
 - Strategy



Needs Assessment – informing our response

- A comprehensive Needs Assessment has been created to identify the nature of poverty in Tameside and gaps in services and processes.
- Information for this Needs Assessment was gathered through the following exercises:
 - Service mapping to understand processes, pressures and pinch-points and capture the views of service users and front-line staff on causes and potential solutions to poverty.
 - Public consultation for 8 weeks, asking respondents “What do you think about poverty in Tameside?” and “What can we do about poverty in Tameside?”
 - Four focus groups with people with lived experience of poverty in Tameside, with the aim of taking a more in-depth look at the key themes emerging from the survey and service-mapping work.
 - Poverty was the headline focus of the July 2022 Partnership Engagement Network Conference
 - Input from the Poverty Truth Commission (PTC).
 - Data, research, literature and other good practice



Key challenges identified from the Needs Assessment

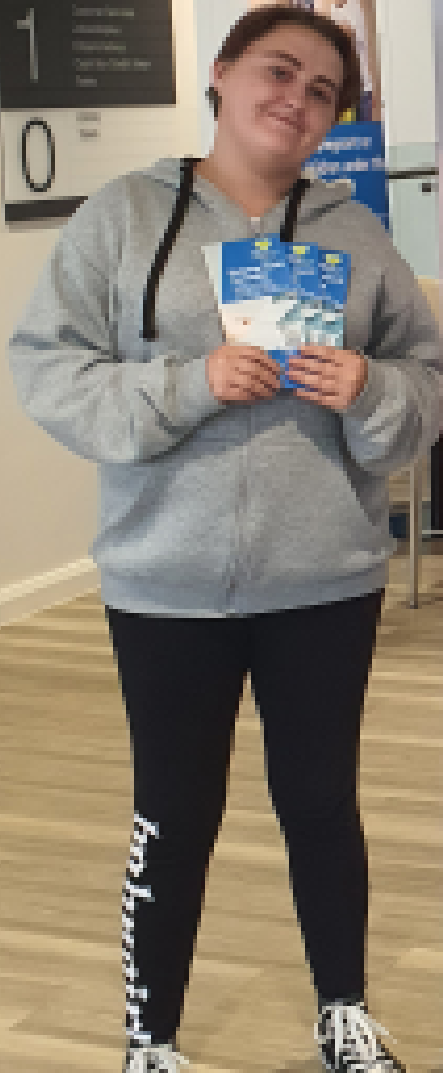
- **Benefits**
- **Debt**
- **Food Poverty**
- **Fuel Poverty**
- **Employment**
- **Council Tax**
- **Mental Health**
- **Disabilities**
- **Life Expectancy**
- **Carers**
- **Barriers to Accessing Services**
- **Service User Experience**
- **Child Poverty**
- **Social Housing**
- **Private Rent**
- **Homelessness**



Response – Action Plan

- **Community Engagement, Partners, Contracts and Commissioning**
- **Current Capacity**
- **Data and Insight**
- **Workforce Engagement and Training**
- **Squads**






Helping Hand Tameside



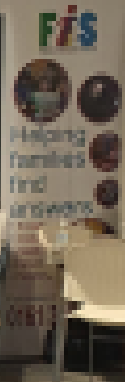
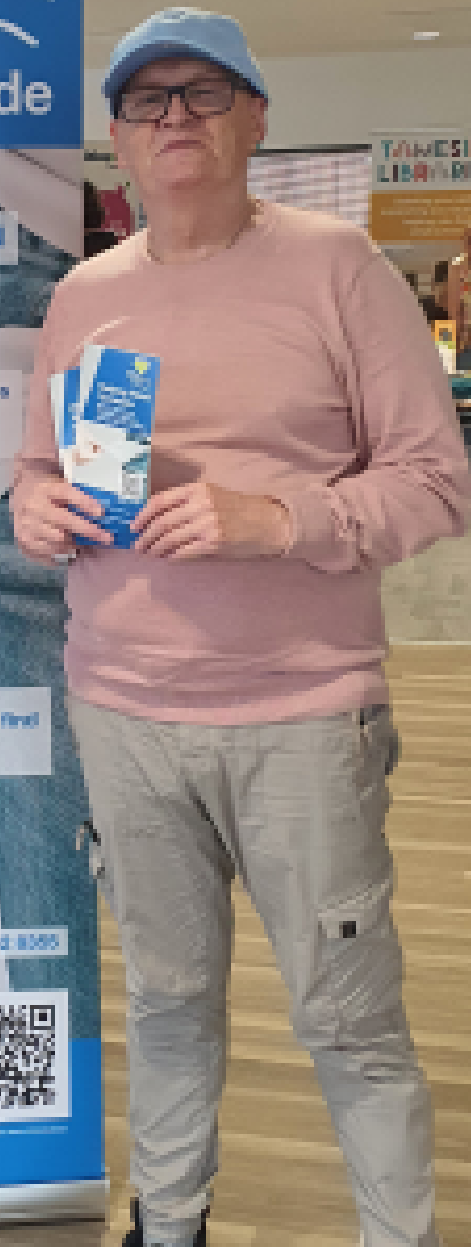
If you need a helping hand we can direct you to local services who can support you with:

-  Taking control of your finances and find out if you're entitled to financial support
-  Improving your mental health and wellbeing
-  Housing issues
-  Building your work skills and find routes into employment
-  Finding local food pantries and foodbanks

Find help local to you
☎ Call our Customer Service Team on 0191 342 8555
🌐 Visit www.tameside.gov.uk/helpinghand
#HelpingHandTameside



 Tameside Council



- One-stop-shop which directs people to our local support services, charities and organisations.
- This is a campaign for **ALL**.



Helping Hand Tameside

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Taking control of finances and finding out if they're entitled to financial support



Improving mental health and wellbeing



Assistance with housing problems



Building work skills and find routes into employment



Finding local food pantries and foodbanks

We can help you boost your earnings

Our employment and skills services are here to help you.

☎ 0161 342 3111

✉ employmentandskills@tameside.gov.uk

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Support to feed you and your family.

Help is available from food pantries or food clubs for more regular groceries or from food banks for emergency food support.

For details visit www.tameside.gov.uk/foodbanks

You can pop into a library during staffed hours for assistance. Contact our customer service team:
☎ 0161 342 8355

Visit www.tameside.gov.uk/costoflivingsupport

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Ensure all residents know how to get in touch for support and what help is available

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Getting in touch with us



Online and Web-chat: www.tameside.gov.uk
By phone: 0161 342 8355
By email: customer.services@tameside.gov.uk

Local Libraries

Beyond books, Tameside libraries can help with reporting problems to services, verifying some documents, assistance using a PC to fill out forms and more.

Find out how libraries can help you, locate your local library and find staffed hours at

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries

Don't forget!

You can find information 24/7 on our website

www.tameside.gov.uk

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How to Book an Appointment for support:



We have a range of services available for bookable face-to-face or telephone appointments.

Book an appointment:

- Via our web chat at www.tameside.gov.uk
- Call 0161 342 8355
- Email customer.services@tameside.gov.uk
- Visit level one of Tameside One, Market Place, Ashton-under-Lyne, OL6 6BH.
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Ensuring Accessibility

We want to make sure **everyone** can access the information HH provides.

- This campaign is available in both print and digital formats.
Online material can be accessed using Recite Me and the accessibility toolbar.
Social media assets have descriptive text for those who use screen reading programmes.
- Print formats translated into a variety of languages and accessible versions (bigger fonts for visually impaired) and available upon request.
- Printed material distributed into community locations such as libraries, supermarkets, schools, GPs, Partner organisations.
- Local media have supported the campaign in both print and online via newspapers and Radio
- Empowering Community Leaders to have conversations and recognise signs – training eg poverty and MECC
- 3 Helping Hand Events

Focussing in

As well as broader signposting, the campaign focusses in on more detail in specific areas and programmes of work, for example;

- Warm Welcome Hubs
- Food poverty
- Scam awareness
- Debt advice and risks associated with poverty and the Cost of Living Crisis
- Fuel poverty - Energy saving tips
- Accessing benefits entitled to

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Could you be entitled to benefit support?

If you are struggling financially, you could be entitled to benefits to support you.

If you already receive benefits, check what you are receiving is right for you.

Check your eligibility in 10 minutes by visiting www.entitledto.co.uk

For FAQ's on benefits please visit www.tameside.gov.uk/housingbenefit/faqs

Visit www.tameside.gov.uk/helpinghand

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Tameside Metropolitan Borough

In Tameside, £5.2 million worth of pension credit remains unclaimed, this means 3,042 households are missing out on support.

Time you topped up your pension?

You can find out if you are entitled to more financial support at our Community Support Sessions.

Find a Community Support Session local to you 10am-12noon:

Thursday 21st July: The Grafton Centre, Grafton Street, Hyde, Cheshire. SK14 2AX

Friday 22nd July: The Together Centre, 287 Birch Lane, Dukinfield SK16 5AU

Thursday 28th July: The Wellbeing Corner, Ashton Market, Bow Street, Ashton-u-Lyne OL6 6.

Friday 29th July: Clarendon Sq Shopping Centre, Market Street, 111 - 113 The Mall, Hyde, SK14 2QT.

Tuesday 2nd August: Tameside One, Market Place, Ashton-u-Lyne, OL6 6BH (10am-1pm)

Tuesday 9th August: 4C Community Centre, Taunton Road, Ashton-u-Lyne, OL7 9DR

THE PENSION TOP up

Visit our libraries for a Warm Welcome this Winter



There's access to free WiFi, computers, books and soft seating as well as our friendly staff who can help you with a range of customer service support.

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- Warm, Safe, Welcoming, Free
- Libraries well placed with a wide existing offer
- Working with VCSE to map the offer across the borough

Would you like to register your building in Tameside as a Warm Welcome Hub?



Get in touch with us by emailing communications@tameside.gov.uk

For more information visit www.tameside.gov.uk/helpinghand



Long Term Response

- Health & Wellbeing Board
- Poverty Strategy
- Emerging Themes
 - Raising incomes
 - Poverty is Everybody's Business
 - Climbing out of the debt trap
 - Breaking the cycle
 - Laying the foundations
 - Putting people first
 - No one left behind digitally
 - One size doesn't fit all
 - Advocating for change



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NEIGHBOURHOODS PRESENTATION

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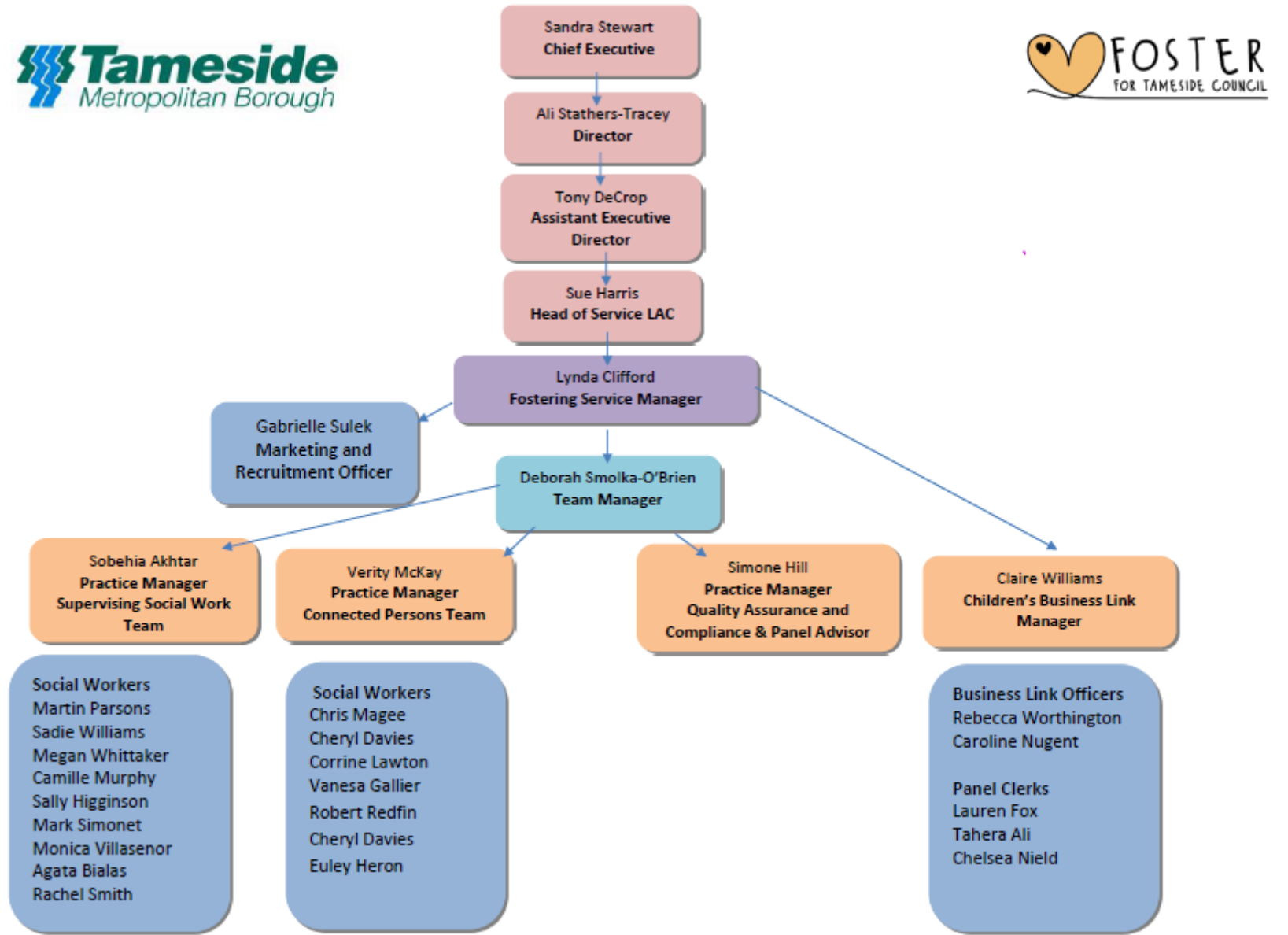
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FOSTER FOR TAMESIDE
CHANGE A LOCAL CHILD'S LIFE



TAMESIDE FOSTERING SERVICE STRUCTURE



WHAT IS FOSTERING?

- **Support and care** for a child when they can't live at home
- Providing a **stable and caring** environment.
- Assisting **Contact** – birth parents & other - connected persons
- Getting the child(ren) to **School**
- Attending **Meetings** – reviews, education
- **Training** – developing fostering skills



WHO CAN FOSTER?

- You can be **married, co-habiting, single, straight or gay.**
- There is **no upper age limit.**
- You don't need to own your own home, as long as you have a **spare bedroom.**
- Ideally you will **live locally**, in order to transport children to school etc.
- All **ethnic and religious backgrounds** are welcome.

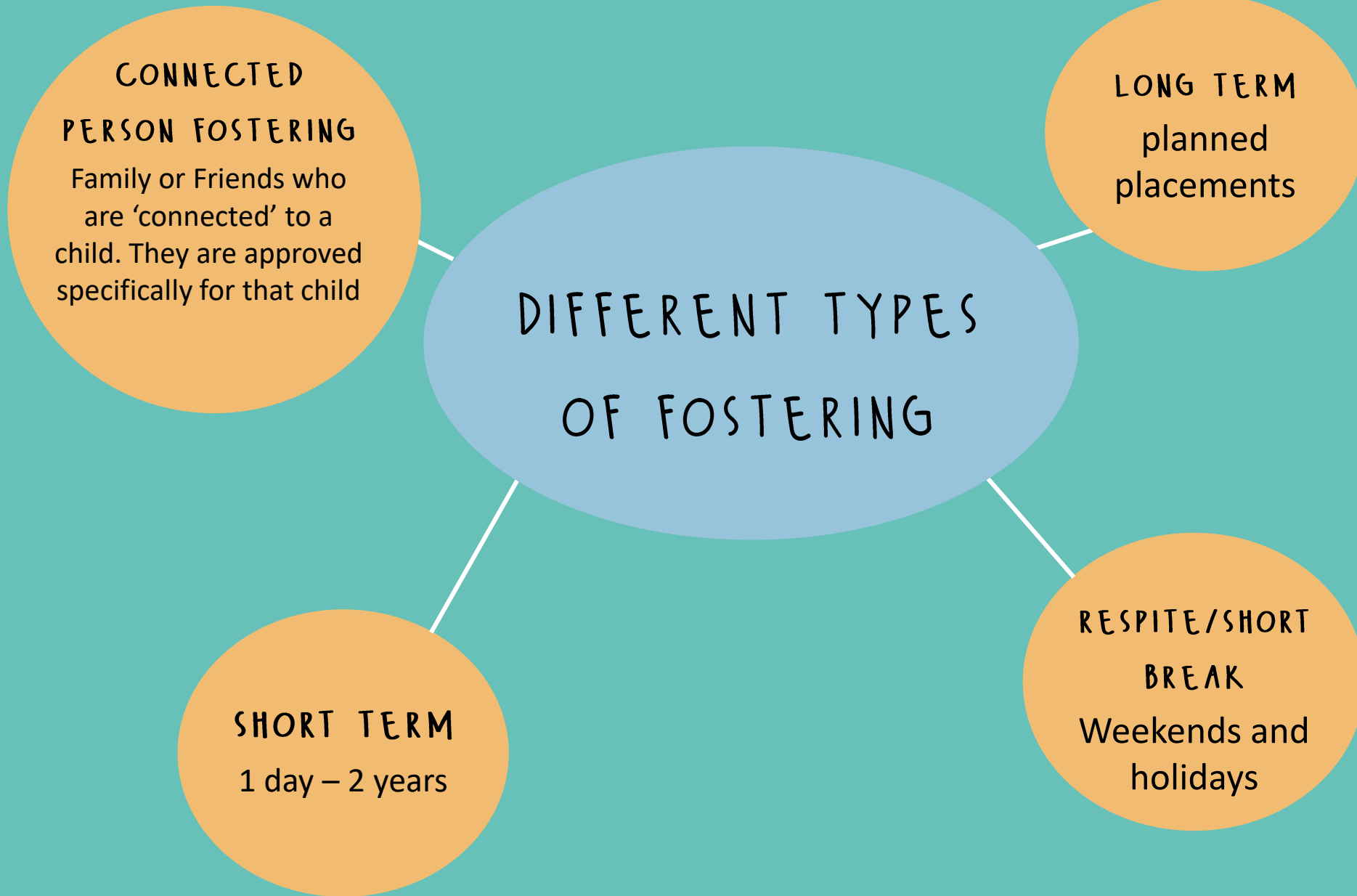


THE CURRENT NEED FOR FOSTER CARERS

*As of Friday 4th November, there were 663 cared for children in Tameside.
428 were in foster care (292 Tameside own provision).*

Source: TMBC data (4th November 2022)

*There are currently not enough foster care placements for children within
Tameside to cope with demand.*

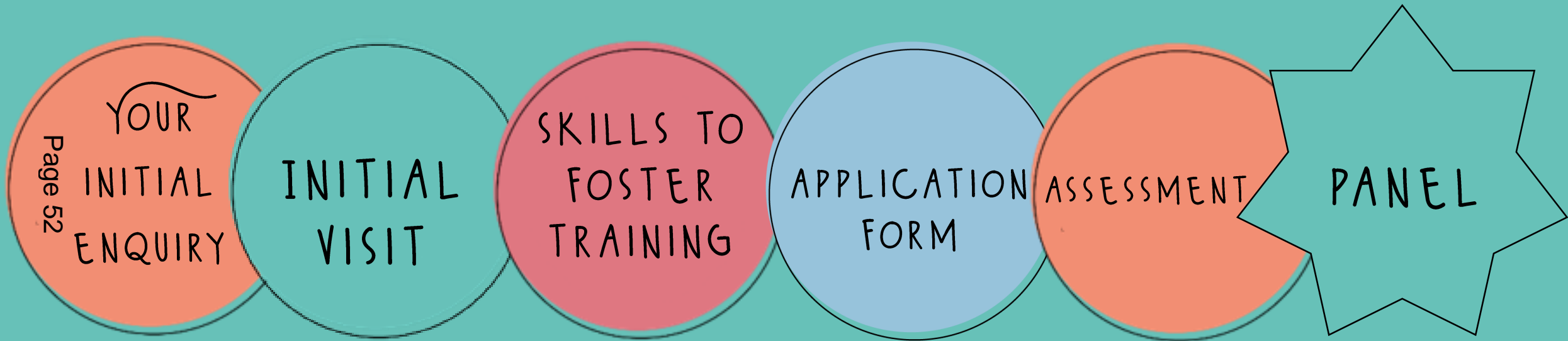


WHY DO PEOPLE FOSTER?

- **Make a difference** to children and young people who are waiting for families now
- Foster carers find it a **very rewarding** experience
 - You'll be **supported throughout the assessment** and once you're approved
- You are able to provide a **loving and stable home** to a child
- You can be part of the '**local fostering community**' participating in the community to meet the needs of young children of Tameside.



THE APPROVAL PROCESS



ONGOING FOSTERING SUPPORT

- Fostering social workers and support workers
- Social workers for the children
- Foster carer support groups
- Foster Care Association
- Buddy scheme
- Training programme
- Therapeutic services
- Foster care allowances and fees

WHAT TYPE OF CARERS DO WE NEED?

- All ages 0-18
- Sibling groups
- Older children (over 5 years of age)
- Teenagers
- Children with complex needs
- Children from a range of ethnic backgrounds
- Children who need fostering on a long term basis



HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Word of mouth – spread the word for the need of local foster carers with your neighbourhoods.
- If you know of anyone you think would make a good foster carer, refer them to the fostering team; fosteringenquiries@tameside.gov.uk
- Share our marketing materials (digital pack to be sent round with slides).
- Share our social media posts to help spread our message.



THANK YOU & QUESTIONS

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Family Hubs & Best Start for Life Programme

Neighbourhood Forums

November 2022

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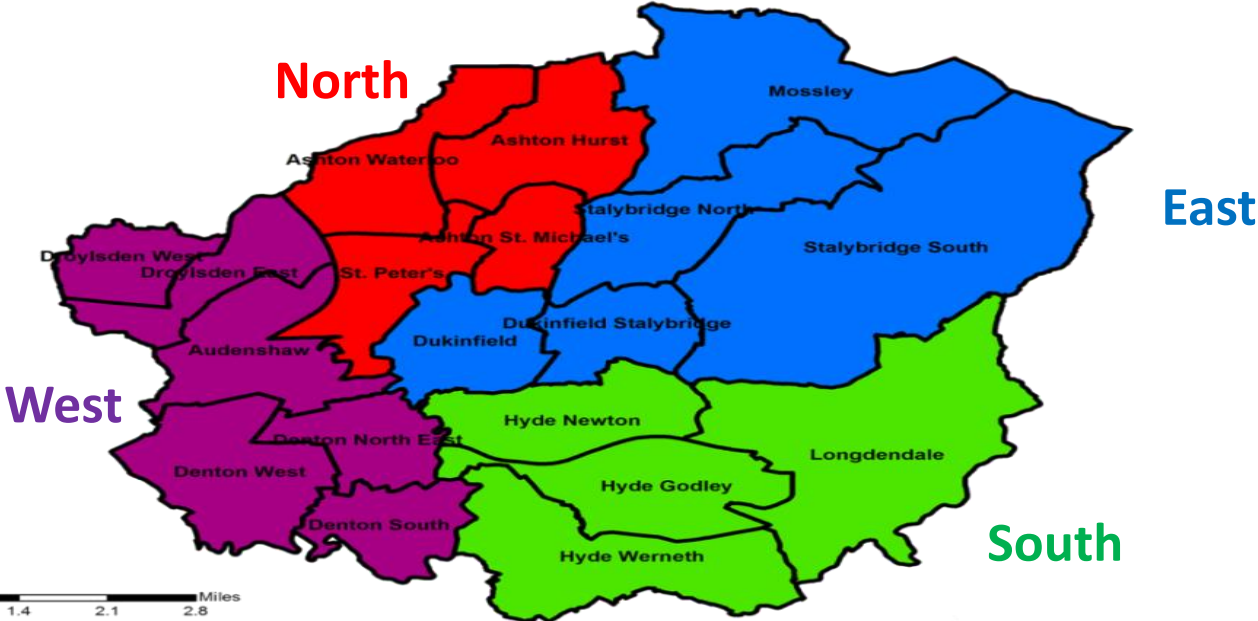
What are Family Hubs?

- Family hubs are a way of joining up locally and bringing existing family help services together to improve access to services, connections between families, professionals, services, providers, and putting relationships at the heart of family help.
- Family hubs bring together services for families with children of all ages (0-19) or up to 25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), with a great Start for Life offer at their core.
- Family Hubs can include both a physical (using existing buildings) and virtual offers.

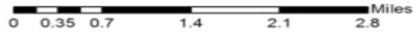
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How services are delivered varies from place to place, but the following principles are key to the family hub model:

- **More accessible** – through clearly branded and communicated hub buildings, virtual offers and outreach.
- **Better connected** – family hubs drive progress on joining up professionals, services and providers – through co-location, data sharing, shared outcomes and governance. Moving from services organised for under-fives, to families with children of all ages, reduces fragmentation (even though an emphasis on early years and the ‘Start for Life’ offer will remain).
- **Relationship-centred** – practice in a family hub builds on family strengths and looks to improve family relationships to address underlying issues.
- **Universal through to targeted services** – providing welcoming, non-stigmatised services for families.
- Family hubs are a key part of the Best Start for Life vision outlined in [The Best Start for Life: A Vision for the 1,001 Critical Days](#)
- ***Additional funding has been allocated to Tameside to further develop the Family Hub and Best Start for Life Offer (£302 million, across 75 LAs, over a 3 year period).***

Tameside's Family Hub Area Model



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Best Start For Life

The funding with the Family Hubs Programme also includes funding to expand our 0-2/0-5 services and provision, the funding is aimed at:

- **Infant Feeding** - The funding for infant feeding support should be used to promote breastfeeding and support parents to meet their infant feeding goals.
- **Parent Infant Mental Health** - The funding for parent–infant relationships and perinatal mental health support is for parents / carers with mild-moderate mental health needs or who would benefit from universal parent-infant support. Parents should be seamlessly connected to all services set out in the below expectations via their family hub.
- **Parenting** - The parenting support funding should be used for provision of an offer which will help make the transition to parenthood as smooth as possible and which stresses the importance of sensitive, responsive caregiving. This should include both universal provision and some more targeted programmes available for parents/carers with further needs.
- **Home Learning Environment** - The funding you will receive for the early language and the HLE service strand should be used to implement targeted, evidence-based interventions that train practitioners to support parents with the HLE. This will support educational recovery and the school readiness of children who were babies during the pandemic.
- **Publishing the Best Start for Life Offer**
- **Building a Parent and Carer Panel**

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Tameside's Progress

- Family Hubs and Best Start for Life Steering Group established
- Project Team identified
- Official 'sign up' form approved by Executive Cabinet, and submitted to the Department of Education (end of October)
- Department of Education Advisor identified for Tameside
- Sharing and Learning Networks established within Greater Manchester, and the North West
- Detailed delivery plan in development with key including co-production and consultation (due for submission by the of December 2022)
- Strong alignment with the Programme Guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/family-hubs-and-start-for-life-programme-local-authority-guide>
- **TIMESCALES:** Expectations of the Programme are to delivered over the period of 3 years funding stream, with the Family Hubs identified by March 2023, alongside the Publishing of the Best Start for Life Offer.

Thank You & Questions

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- Tameside Council's Litter Hubs Network enable residents or groups to book out free equipment, including high vis jackets, litter pickers and black bags, from community places.
- Council officers will arrange for the rubbish to be disposed of appropriately.
- Everyone can do their bit, even if it's by simply taking part in Tameside's Litter Pledge to pick up a piece of litter every day to make a difference together.
- It's part of the Our Streets campaign that's bringing people together for a cleaner and safer borough.





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- We have 14 live litter hubs in the Network at present
- We have now expanded across the 9 towns of Tameside
- A local business as now linked in with their local litter hub
- Litter Hubs starting to link together
- New “Tinsel Litter Picks Events “
- More litter hubs planned

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For further information on Litter Hubs or to establish one at your community venue, please contact Sharron Power on 07980 993553 or by email at sharron.power@tameside.gov.uk.





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AQUA NURTURE

Knott Lane, Gee Cross
7 days per week – 10am till 4pm
Café & Young Children's Swimming
Pool

HYDE BWA

4 Chapel Street, Hyde SK14 1LF
Monday to Thursday 10am till 4pm
plus weekends
Training Courses /groups
Bangladeshi Community

JIGSAW HOMES

Newton Hub, Acresfield Road SK14
4HB
Opening times Tuesday &
Thursday 9:30am till 11:30am
plus other various times
Housing, plus a range of activities,
classes and events.

BENNETT STREET YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Bennett Street, Newton SK14 4PP
Various times, please ring Karen
on: 07970 467 277
All kinds of activities for young
people. Also several community
groups Plus Coffee Bar area.

HATTERSLEY BIG COMMUNITY GARDEN

Facing Hattersley Train station.
When visiting for first time, it is open
to the public **Wednesday 10am till
3pm** Gardening growing plots, plus
educational short courses.

RYECROFT HOUSE, ASHTON

Park St, Ashton-under-Lyne OL7
0SA 07802 866323
Open Monday to Friday
10am till 3pm

WAC, THE OLD BOATHOUSE DROYLSDEN

Fairfield Locks Off Maddison Road,
Droylsden M43 6ES
Contact direct on 0161 301 2673
info@wateradventurecentre.org.uk
WAC is Water Adventure Park.
Activities.

BIG LOCAL HUB, STALYBRIDGE

4 Ambleside, Stalybridge SK15 1EB
0161 465 5447
Monday to Friday 9am till 4pm

TOGETHER CENTRE, DUKINFIELD

287 Birch Lane, Dukinfield
SK16 5AU
0161 366 1987
Open Monday to Saturday 10am
till 3pm

PORTLAND BASIN

Portland Basin Museum, Portland
Place, Ashton-under-Lyne OL7 0Q
Tuesday to Sunday, 10am-4pm
closed Mondays Except Bank
Holidays
Free. Museum / Active Walking
Groups / Café – Shop
Canal Barge Trips / Courses,
Galleries etc.

CORPORATION POP

Corporation Street, Hyde
6 days per week
Monday to Saturday – 10am till
3pm
Café, activities and groups open to
all.

DENTON VICTORIA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

20 Market Street, Manchester,
M34 2AP
0161 336 7061
Monday to Friday 9.30 till 12.30pm

OASIS CENTRE, HAUGHTON GREEN

2 Tatton Road, Haughton Green,
Denton, Manchester M34 7PL
0161 336 0970
Monday to Friday 9am till 4pm

GRAFTON CENTRE

Grafton Street, Newton SK14 2AX
7 days per week - 9am till 4pm
Café Zumba Bingo Arts Workshops
Drama Group / Indoor bowling etc.

For further information please visit www.tameside.gov.uk/litterhubs or contact Sharron Power on 07980 993 553 or email sharron.power@tameside.gov.uk



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How to Use the Community Litter Hub

Visit your local hub

Request to loan Equipment

Read and sign you adhere to the Risk assessment check list

Complete brief form

- Name
- Postcode
- Where are you litter picking
- Reason for litter pick
- Any new Ideas

You will be given litter picker high Vis jacket black bags and stickers

You will be given the designated place to leave your litter once collected

“Thank you for litter picking in your Community “



Enforcement Action

- ‘Our Streets’ campaign launched
- 3 days of action – Ashton, Droylsden & Denton
- 9 Fixed Penalty Notices issued
- 62 businesses visited regarding waste Duty of Care
- Illicit tobacco and drugs seized
- 3 fly tipping prosecutions in 2022 - fines totalling £3,608



Waste Enforcement Plan

DATE	Enforcement Activity
2 November	Denton – Waste Enforcement
7 December	Hyde – Waste Enforcement
11 January	Ashton (St Peters) – Waste Enforcement
15 February	Stalybridge – Waste Enforcement

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