

Reviewing LMP's Priorities - 28th March 2019 summary notes:

Current Priority Areas

The group reflected on the current priorities by considering what they are and why they were set (see slides 4-7). The outcomes of the priorities were considered (see slides 8, 10 and 12).

- Priority 1: Safety and inclusion
- Priority 2: Housing and homelessness
- Priority 3: Health

• New Priorities for the next 2-3 years from June 2019 onwards A summary of the proposed priorities and actions discussed are as follows:

Health

- Health charging
 - Get updates on charges.
- GP registration
 - Some GPs are still refusing to register asylum seekers and refugees.
- Screening and vaccinations.
 - Raise awareness of the benefits.
- Understanding changes within health care
 - Raise awareness of where to go for what treatment and when.
- Mental Health
 - Raise awareness and understanding
 - Promote training and mental health first aid training
 - Adopt a preventative approach
 - Determine the referral pathways

Notes:

- How does LMP use its collective voice to influence change at the health and wellbeing board?
- **Action:** Rose McCarthy is carrying out research on the impact of destitution on pregnant women and needs to interview 2 more women before the research can be published. Please contact Rose for further information: Rose.McCarthy@refugeecouncil.org.uk

Housing and Homelessness

- Influence standards and share good practice with key organisations
 - Selective license standards
 - Mears housing contract (**Ray Blundell** Mears Group Partnership Director and **Corrina Carney** Mears Senior Business Manager).
- Destitution
 - Understand and implement a model pathway to exit destitution.
- 28 day move on
 - Lobby to extend the 28 day period to 56 days?
- Continue to engage with Leeds Homeless Forum

Notes:

 Ruth Davany was LMP's housing representative. Now that Ruth has moved on, LMP require a housing lead.

Safety and Inclusion

• Domestic Violence for women with no recourse to public funds



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- Sexual health
 - Vulnerability to exploitation.
 - Connect with women's groups to protect vulnerable women.
- Hate crime
 - Increase knowledge and understanding.
 - General awareness raising.
 - Encourage the increase of reporting hate crime incidents and crimes.

Notes:

Action – to arrange a visit to the Home Office.

Cross cutting priorities or other areas for further consideration

- Legal
- Information sharing (to promote the affective use of the New to Leeds website and the Transition Guide website).
- Brexit (the outcome of Brexit is still uncertain but there is an awareness that few organisations within the LMP work with EU migrants).
- Employment
- LMP capacity building (LMP to collectively support those delegated to represent LMP on boards).

What's next?

- Work on the development of the action plan will be shared through LMP's blog for feedback.
- A draft of the LMP action plan will be will be shared with the LMP strategy group at the next meeting on the 15th May 2019.