

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

What?

shared goals, principles and ways of working

We want to start a conversation across the borough about what a Fairer Together Partnership might look like and how it could help to make Islington fairer for local people.

Launching in February, we will kick-start a three month series of events, workshops and podcasts focused on our 'Start Well', 'Live Well', 'Age Well' themes, across

the locality areas. These will include:

- Introduction to Fairer Together events for partner organisations, with special guest speakers and workshop sessions to encourage contributions and networking
- Fairer Together Community Network Events for local voluntary and community sector groups
- Fairer Together Focus Groups for local people including experts by experience Workshop session to invite contributions.



FIND OUT MORE AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You can download our more detailed discussion paper, find out more information – including listening to our special podcasts, book onto our events and also share views and feedback via our website at www.islingtonfairertogether.org

We look forward to making Islington fairer with you!

Introducing Fairer Together

A new partnership for a fairer Islington

Why?

to tackle inequality and make Islington fairer

Islington is bursting with opportunities – for partnership, for innovation, for prosperity. But alongside all of these opportunities, persistent and pernicious poverty and inequality continue to blight the lives of too many. Islington has one of the highest rates of child poverty in the UK and is home to one

of the highest proportions in London of working age people claiming out-of-work benefits.

The challenges local people are facing – and will continue to face – cannot be solved by a single organisation working in isolation. That is why we have established the Fairer Together Partnership – to draw on our shared skills, experiences, assets and resources to find new ways of doing things together.



How?

building strengths, building relationships, building community

We are at a very early stage but see this new partnership taking shape in a number of ways:

A shared approach to strategy and investment: if we want to tackle inequality and make things fairer we need to ensure everyone can **start well, live well and age well**. We need to think about early intervention and prevention of problems at every stage of life. We hope to produce a shared investment plan for 2020-2030 to guide how we work together.

Shared principles, values and ways of working – the Fairer Together Way. We've identified three building blocks

- **Building strengths:** taking a strengths-based approach, working with local people rather than 'doing to'.
- **Building relationships:** encouraging the positive connections, relationships and understanding that enable people to flourish
- **Building community:** finding new ways of working with our communities so that more

people feel they belong and are empowered to engage.

Integrated Locality Teams to ensure more joined up support for local people

One of the ways our shared approach to strategy and investment – and a more collaborative ways of working – might materialise is through new integrated, multi-disciplinary locality teams for North, South and Central Islington.

Locality teams have the potential to join services up, wrap them around individuals or families, strengthen relationships and provide more seamless support.

Fairer Together Community Networks – Fairer Together is not just about how we reframe our services but how we do so in partnership with our communities. We want to develop place-based community networks, each with its own Network Manager, that match the same geographies as the locality teams. These networks would bring together key players from voluntary and community sector organisations, the public sector and local people themselves, to share and discuss local issues and priorities and consider opportunities for working together.