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Objective 1. Develop a robust young person’s housing pathway by delivering a range of housing solutions with our partners				
1.1	Look for opportunities and work in partnership to maximise the supply of suitable accommodation for young people	Range of suitable accommodation		
1.2	Complete an external evaluation of Young People’s Pathway and review policies and procedures to ensure continuous improvement and good practice	Policies and Procedures Reviewed Protocols for young persons are current and up to date Changes to policies made to ensure improved services to young people		
1.3	Ensure a strong tenancy sustainment programme is in place across all authorities to ensure that young people can maintain tenancies to reduce future incidence of homelessness	Young people are allocated suitable accommodation in tenancies that can be sustained Average length of tenancy for under 25’s increases.		
1.4	Take advantage of future external funding streams as and when become available	Joint procurement of funding opportunities and commissioning		
1.5	Develop educational work with young people about housing options, skills required for independent living and the reality of homelessness			

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<u>Objective 2: Create strong working partnerships with all stakeholders to tackle homelessness for all those at risk</u>				
2.1	Establish a North Derbyshire Homelessness Forum to deliver Homelessness Strategy	Greater publicity about services and support available – possible directory of services, greater use of social media Joint training and awareness raising sessions to be facilitated by Forum		
2.2	Work with Private Sector Housing team to improve the quality and security of tenure in the private rented sector, with stronger expectations of landlords	Through close working with Landlords forum/accreditation scheme. Number of PRS sector engaged in the forum		
2.3	Work in partnership with Housing Association partners to ensure appropriate access to accommodation	Maximise availability of accommodation		
2.4	Work in partnership with health and social care partners to conduct a Derbyshire wide housing and health audit	Audit undertaken in partnership with County Council. robust response to the complex issues of health and homelessness		
2.5	Co-ordinate joint procurement of funding opportunities			
2.6	Developing greater publicity about services and available support, including the exploration of the development of a directory of services and greater use of social media			

2.7	Identify households most likely to be affected by root causes of homelessness and offer advice before crisis	Increased prevention Evictions reduced		
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<u>Objective 3: Commit to prevent Rough Sleeping across the region</u>				
3.1	Continue to work in partnership with Derbyshire Wide Homeless Officers Group through joint 'No second night out protocol'	Development and adoption of NOSNO protocol New rough sleepers can be identified and helped off the streets immediately Record and monitor and report to homelessness Forum to consider trends and emerging needs.		
3.2	Promote a prevention first approach, developing a duty to prevent for the NHS, prisons, and other statutory services	Monitoring of effectiveness , footfall and preventions		

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<u>Objective 4: Prevent Homelessness by tackling and reducing financial deprivation within our communities</u>				
4.1	Monitor and maximise the usage of discretionary housing payments	Better coordination between Housing Benefit departments and Housing Options in relation to DHP spend Joint meetings with Housing Benefit in each LA and through Forum.		
4.2	Improve access to private sector properties	Link with 7 above also promotion and awareness raising of Bond scheme Working with the Private Rented Sector is an important area in which to prevent homelessness and financial exclusion. Key aspects of our work to date in this area include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integration of the practice of homeless discharge into the private rented sector as a key component of the Housing Allocation Policy • Homeless prevention and securing private rented accommodation through the use of the rent deposit scheme and private sector access scheme • Extension of Landlord Accreditation to increase the number of fully accredited private rented sector landlords • Facilitation of annual events with private landlords. The focus of past sessions have been affordable warmth, empty properties, housing and council tax benefit, private rented sector leasing 		

4.3	signpost to training and employment opportunities for homeless people	Liaison with other service providers i.e. RPs and LA economic Development		
4.4	Work with partners to identify and develop new affordable housing options	In terms of the development of new housing, we have worked with developers to reach agreement on the provision of smaller, more affordable homes within new developments and negotiations are currently taking place with providers to also identify small supported housing units and Move On accommodation.		
4.5	Develop better coordination of potential procurement/funding opportunities			
4.6	Ensure rent collection processes work efficiently and effectively to reduce likelihood of homelessness			
4.7	Liaise and work with local voluntary agencies such as Money Advice and Credit Union			
4.8	Target households with financial problems to advice and employment support to prevent homelessness crisis			

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<u>Objective 5: The Homelessness Gold Standard</u>				
5.1	Each LA is completes self-assessment and is subjected to a Gold Standard Review	Gold Standard Review Report and Recommendation	Local Authorities	December 2016
5.2	Implementation of any improvement plan recommendations following the review	Service Plan to deliver recommendations implemented	Local Authorities	Ongoing