

Making Every Adult Matter

**Medway as a MEAM
Network Area**

What is MEAM

People facing multiple disadvantage experience a combination of problems including homelessness, substance misuse, contact with the criminal justice system and mental ill health. They fall through the gaps between services and systems, making it harder for them to address their problems and lead fulfilling lives.

What MEAM Brings

The Making Every Adult Matter (MEAM) approach

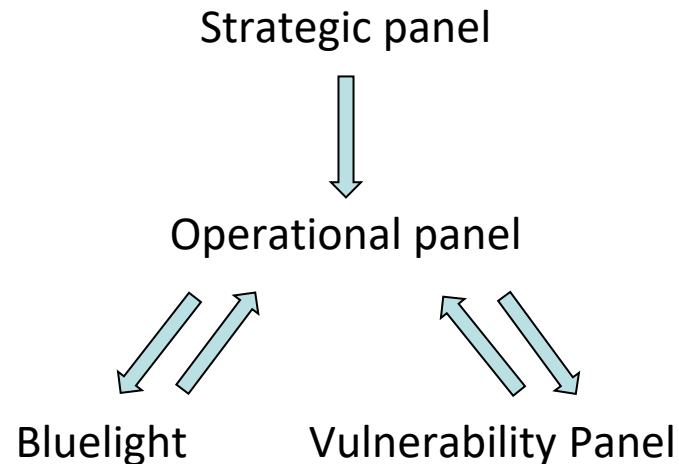


Benefits in the Approach

- An 82% reduction in Rough Sleeping.
- 33% and 49% reductions in A&E attendance and nights in hospital.
- Up to 44% improvements to individuals' wellbeing and circumstances
- Up to 23% related reduction in service use costs

Key Points

- Funded for 2 years as a MEAM Network Area
- Medway to provide a full-time post for the two years
- Complimentary to local initiatives



Asks from strategic leaders

- Key contacts for unblocking
- Support with staffing
- Sharing of goals
- Your asks

Alignment of Strategic Objectives

- Address health inequalities by ensuring quality, consistency and comprehensive health and local government services are commissioned and delivered in the area; and
- Identify key priorities for health and local government commissioning and develop clear plans for how commissioners can make best use of their combined resources to improve local health and well-being outcomes in the short, medium and long term.

Progress to date

- Terms of Reference drafted
- Initial Strategic Board meetings set up
- Job Description agreed
- Action Plan agreed
- Initial meetings with other 9 new MEAM areas
- 'Mighty Networks' applications put in
- Medway staff attending MEAM training