

# Voluntary Sector Forum

## 21 March 2019

**Cllr Michael Wilson**  
**Cabinet Member for Equality, Communities and the**  
**Voluntary Sector**

# What is new in Children's Services?

**James Thomas**  
**Director of Children's Services**  
**London Borough of Richmond upon Thames**

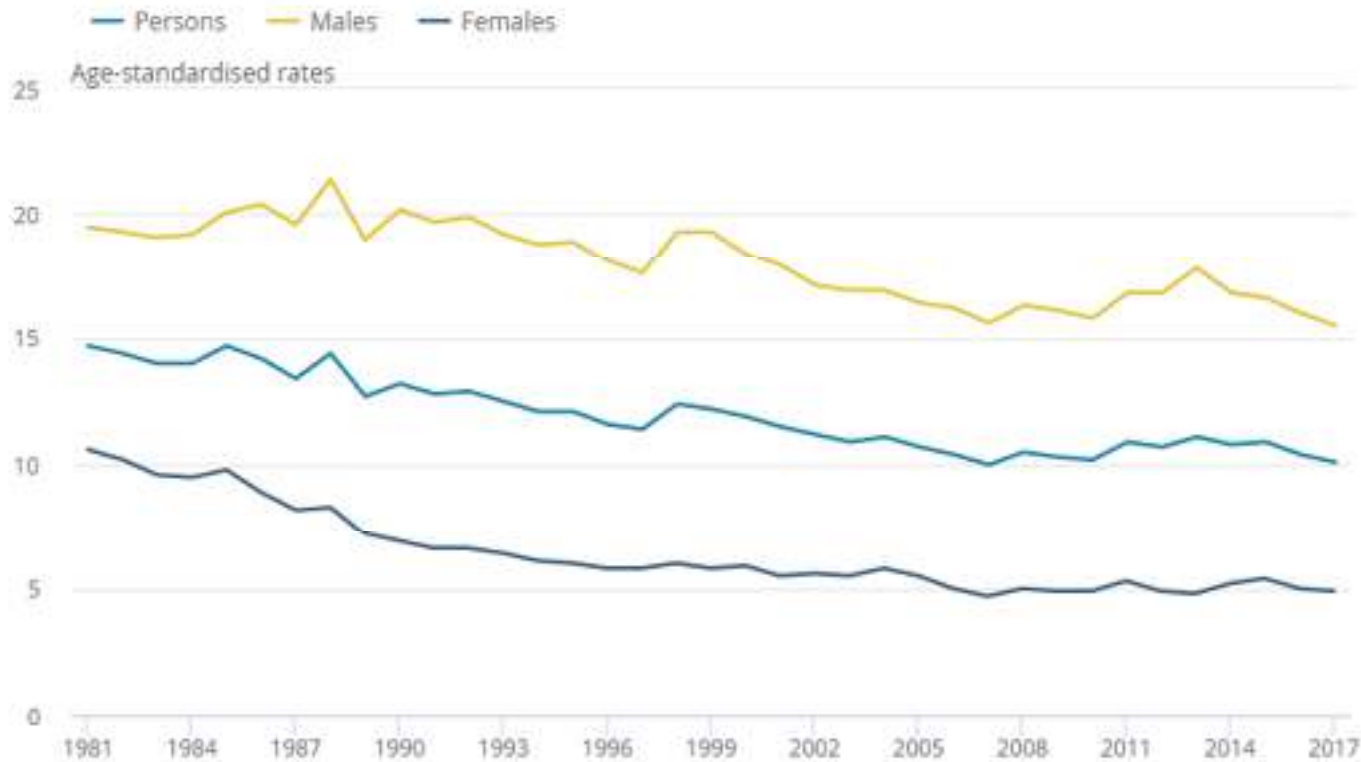
# Questions ?



# Richmond Suicide Prevention Strategy

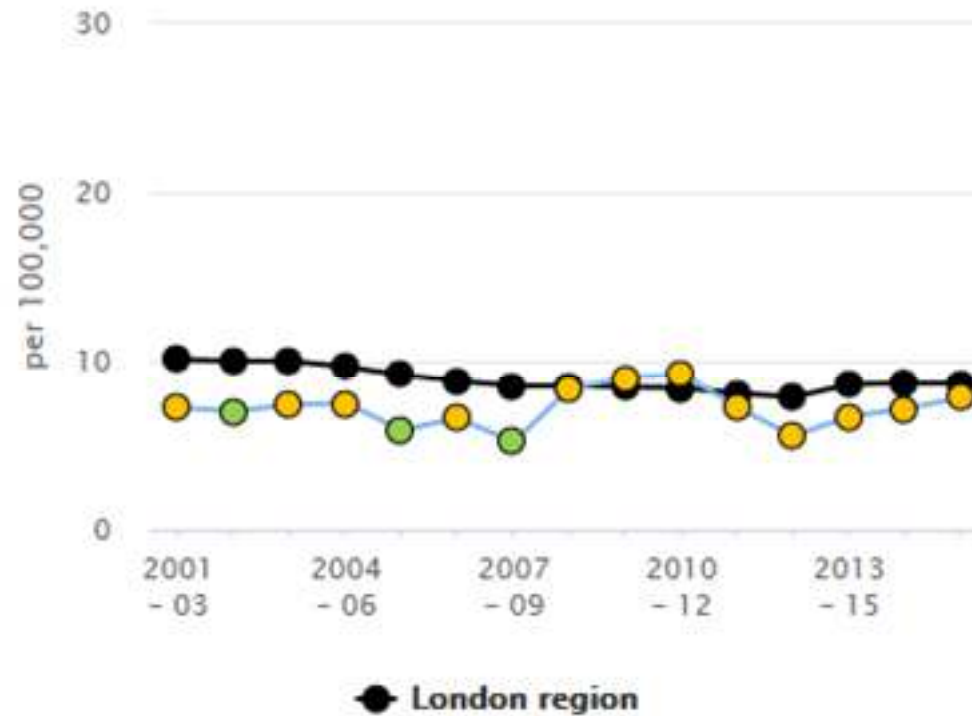
**Graeme Markwell**  
**Senior Public Health Lead**  
**London Borough of Richmond upon Thames**

# Age-standardised Suicide Rates by Sex, Deaths Registered Between 1981 and 2017



Source: Office for National Statistics, National Records of Scotland and Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency

# Suicide: Age-Standardised Rate per 100,000 Population (3 year average) (Persons)



Source: Public Health England (based on ONS source data)

# National Strategy

- Reduce the risk of suicide in key high-risk groups
- Tailor approaches to improve mental health in specific groups
- Reduce access to the means of suicide
- Provide better information and support to those bereaved or affected by suicide
- Support the media in delivering sensitive approaches to suicide and suicidal behaviour
- Support research, data collection and monitoring.

# Local Strategy

1. Improve understanding of local need
2. Challenge stigma and discrimination
3. Improve access to information
4. Prevent self-harm amongst young people
5. Improve access to services - Increase the numbers of people from high risk groups accessing appropriate services
6. Improve crisis responses and pathways



# Action Plan 2019/20

- Mental Health in Schools
- Suicide Prevention Training Schools
- Community Action Plan
- Primary Care Survey
- Primary Care Fact Sheet
- Increasing Access to Talking Therapies
- Mapping Urgent Care Pathways

# Next Steps

- Action Plan implementation is already happening
- Cabinet and OSC (spring/ early summer)
- Health and Well-being Board - (July)

# Questions

1. Do you agree with the key objectives?
2. Are there any further objectives you would like to see included?
3. How can the voluntary sector support the objectives of the strategy?
4. Any further comments?

# Richmond Adult & Community Learning Commissioning

**Chantelle Daniel – Head of Employment and Skills**

# Priorities for Adult Community Learning 19/20

- Supporting Learners with Disabilities
- Supporting older learners
- Social isolation
- Supporting older male learners
- Family Learning in Children's Centres

# Commissioning for Adult Community Learning August 2019 – July 2020

Starts 1 April 2019

Closes 30 April 2019

Workshops on:

- 25 March, RHACC Parkshot, 1pm to 3pm
- 29 March, York House, 9.30am to 11.30am

Email:

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# Support in completing applications

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# Questions ?





# The Community Fund and Ward-Based Budgets

**Matthew Maher, Head of Community and  
Partnerships,  
London Borough of Richmond upon Thames**

# Community Fund

- 15% of the Community Infrastructure Levy is to be spent locally in areas without a Neighbourhood Plan. (25% where a Neighbourhood Plan has been adopted)
- Allocated to spend on local priorities which address the demand that development places on an area.
- Collection areas have been grouped into East and West of the River Thames, and Ham and Petersham as a separate Neighbourhood Plan area.

# Application process

Applications open on **Monday 1 April** and close on **Friday 31 May 2019**. (However, residents and groups are invited to informally express their interest now).

Applicant workshops on:

- Tuesday 26 March, 9.30am to 10.30am - The Salon, York House, York Street, Twickenham, TW1 3BZ
- Monday 1 April, 6pm to 7.30pm - Richmond and Hillcroft Adult Community College, Parkshot, Richmond, TW9 2RE

# Funds available

Area	Amount available
East Area	£347,408
West Area	£191,052
Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Area	£45,400

Find out more about the Community Fund or book a place on the applicant workshops

**Email:** [Communityconversations@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:Communityconversations@richmond.gov.uk)

**Web:** [www.richmond.gov.uk/community\\_fund](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/community_fund)

# Ward-Based Budgets

- Manifesto commitment to introduce a yearly meeting in each 'town' across the borough as a partnership between residents, ward Councillors and Cabinet Members to raise issues and decide how to spend each town 'budget'.
- The Council's Corporate Plan commits to 'Creating a local area budget in each ward to be spent on community priorities.'
- Influencing wider Council spend as well as a local fund

# Overarching principles

- Connect with all our local communities, including ‘hearing the voice of the unheard’
- Create resources in local areas and encouraging people to work together
- Empower local people to think about improving their area and developing solutions
- Involve ward Councillors in responding to local priorities
- Create a renewed focus on ward areas for the delivery of Council services
- Engage in co-development

# Discussion: Ward Based Budgets

- How can voluntary organisations help identify and deliver against local priorities, reflecting on the overarching principles?
- Any other questions?

# Looking ahead – Working in Partnership

**Kathryn Williamson, Chief Executive, Richmond CVS**

**Matthew Maher, Head of Community and Partnerships,  
London Borough of Richmond upon Thames**



# Discussion

- What are the key challenges and opportunities that you see your organisation facing over the next 3-5 years?
- What should we focus on together to help the sector respond to these challenges and opportunities?

# Open Forum