

#### North Wales Community Support Hubs – building personal and community resilience against the effects of poverty

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Format: 40 mins presentation, followed by audience questions

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## **Community Support Hubs**



- Established during the pandemic (June/July 21) to address social crisis in communities
- Hubs led mainly by third sector organisations with an existing presence
- Located in non-statutory buildings
- Using existing providers of community-led support services
- To-date: 40,388 customers, 282,716 tests handed out

#### Locations:

Phase one:	Holyhead, Maesgeirchen (Bangor), Denbigh, Shotton, Cefn Mawr
Phase two:	Conwy
Phase three:	Pwllheli, Bro Ffestiniog, Llanddulas, Holywell, Gwersyllt
	Also, 20 microsites across Isle of Anglesey and Conwy
Phase four:	Botwnnog, Bala, Caernarfon, Llanaellhearn, Penygroes
Target list:	Coed Mawr (Bangor), Llandudno Junction, Pensarn, Rhyl, Prestatyn, Corwen, Fflint

# Support offered

- Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing kit collection
- Food plus (foodbank, cooked meals, classes)
- Accommodation/tenancy support
- Money/debt management/benefit advice
- Legal advice (family, employment, civil matters)
- Fuel/heating support
- Household white goods
- Family support
- Mental & physical health support
- Sensory support
- Domestic & substance abuse support
- Gender support
- Multi-lingual support
- Exploitation & Slavery
- Digital inclusion
- Entry to employment/sustaining employment
- Social prescribing



### How is the support offered?

- ✓ In-person/drop-in/appointment
- ✓ Virtually, via zoom, etc
- ✓ Telephone
- ✓ Email
- ✓ WhatsApp/Facetime



# **Referring partners**

- Self-referral (in person, telephone, email, social media links)
- Cross partner referral
- Pharmacies
- GP's
- LA Tracing teams (to support isolation)
- Public Health Wales
- Long Covid Rehabilitation
- North Wales Police
- North Wales Fire & Rescue Service
- Social Services
- Jobcentre Plus
- Other statutory teams/organisations/agencies

There is no access criteria – anyone can use our services

### Lessons learned



- Keeping up with LFD demand
- Branding name has changed to remove stigma and encourage access
- Supporting partners to move from 'operating to performing'
- Making time to manage
- Good case management/IT
- Succeeding with change in a fast-paced environment
- Understanding the real value of partnership working



## **Future Potential**

- Increase hub coverage/equity of access
- Employers
- Students
- Primary care
- Secondary care/rehabilitation
- Link up with care in the community
- Accident & Emergency
- WAST
- Prisons/National Offender Management
- Veterans
- Emergency planning & response

✓ Increased personal & community resilience, long-term

✓ Opportunity break cycle of poverty, over time

### Future Model?





Stakeholder engagement and management

Community, economic, education, environmental, health, local authorities, national, political, private sector, regional, third sector



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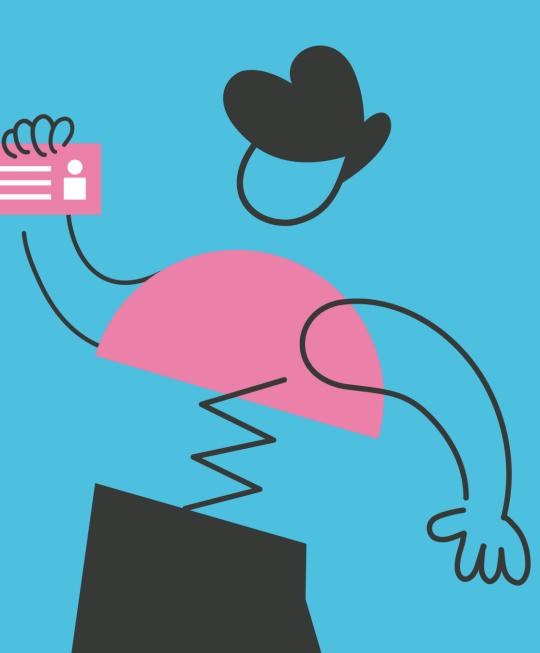


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