

PUBLIC SERVICE REFORM, INCLUSION AND COHESION PLAN ON A PAGE

The WMCA’s ‘public service reform, inclusion and cohesion’ portfolio is the foundation stone for inclusive growth across the region that all of our residents can benefit from. We believe in change through collaboration - working with our members and partners on public service innovation that connects our communities and unlocks our potential. This is ‘whole place collaboration built from the bottom up’. Our role is about adding value through insight, innovation and system leadership - helping to create the conditions for new models of service delivery that can make a real difference on the ground.

INCLUSIVE GROWTH

Promoting a model of economic growth that impacts positively on all of our residents and communities. Our activities focus on building our capacity to influence and promote inclusive growth priorities, driving social value in everything we do, and developing specific actions to promote inclusive transport, housing, skills and public service outcomes.

RADICAL PREVENTION

This is about developing radical new ways of preventing social problems that are entrenched within the region, and which block the potential of so many of our communities. Our activities focus on changing outcomes for some of our most disadvantaged people, both through leading edge research and the application of new delivery models alongside our members and system partners.

SYSTEM COLLABORATION

This is about enabling change across the system of public services and civil society within the West Midlands - through creating space for collaboration and establishing the building blocks for whole place change. Our activities focus on unlocking collaboration between our members, and applying new ways of solving problems.

INCLUSIVE GROWTH UNIT

Including our Inclusive Growth Toolkit, and regular blueprints for inclusive growth outcomes in key policy areas.

SOCIAL ECONOMY & SOCIAL VALUE

Including our Social Economy Taskforce, which explores the role of social econ orgs and social value commissioning in inclusive growth.

CONNECTED COMMUNITIES

Including the development of PSR hubs and ensuring IG outcomes in transport and housing policy.

MULTIPLE COMPLEX NEEDS

‘Pathfinder’ pilot in south Birmingham. Potential to create WM service innovation around MCN.

YOUTH & WOMEN’S JUSTICE

Including path breaking research work on ALTAR and development of a strategy for CJS devolution.

FUTURE DELIVERY MODELS

Including service co-design with fire, police and PS partners, and work with CWC and youth unemp.

LEADERSHIP & WORKFORCE

Including early work to develop a collaborative leadership programme for WM - with WMCA playing an enabling role.

DIGITAL & DATA

Including the Office for Data Analytics, and the recruitment of a Chief Digital Officer to support digital innovation in public services.

PUBLIC VALUE COLLABORATION

Including setup of a WM ‘Public Impact Lab’, and potential development of ‘public value’ pilots in case study areas.