

Thursday, 5 March 2026

LIVE WELL SOUTH TEES BOARD

A meeting of the Live Well South Tees Board was held on Thursday, 5 March 2026 at the The Board Room, North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board, First Floor, 14 Trinity Mews, North Ormesby Health Village, Middlesbrough, TS3 6AL.

PRESENT Councillors C Cooke (Co-Chair), L Robson and P Gavigan.

OFFICIALS M Adams, N Ahmed, M Davis, L Grabham, A Jackson, Detective Superintendent C Motson, V Okey, P Rice, L Sergeant, M Short and K Warnock.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Sanderson and Ms R Abbott from PPL Consultancy (Develop Session Facilitators).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Brown (Co-Chair), B Suthers, J Ryles, J Rostron, U Earl, A Bates, Chris Joynes, D Swainston, E Scollay, P Neal and T/Asst Chief Constable W Fox; and Officers A Bates, C Joynes, D Gardner, E Skollay, D Swainston, and C Leng.

21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest raised by Committee Members, **noted**.

22 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Live Well South Tees Board meeting held on Thursday 04 December 2025 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

23 **BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) 2026-27 - HOW SOUTH TEES MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND ALIGNS WITH NEIGHBOURHOOD HEALTH EXPECTATIONS**

The South Tees Integration Programme Manager informed Board Members that as part of the Better Care Fund (BCF) 2026-27 programme the Integrated Care Board (ICB) had been assigned a consultancy support to strengthen how the Live Well South Tees Boards worked as a leadership forum and how it aligned with the wider neighbourhood health and place governance work being undertaken.

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Senior Consultants Ms J Sanderson and Ms R Abbott from PPL were invited to facilitate a development session for Board Members regarding 'How South Tees meets the BCF requirements and aligns with neighbourhood health expectations'.

A key action for the Board was to ensure that the ICB, who managed the BCF Programme and Funding, consulted with partners, ensuring their perspectives were fully reflected, particularly given the important role each organisation played in the South Tees system.

PPL at the end of the session would prepare a high-level roadmap and set of recommendations outlining how the ICB and the Board could improve clarity of purpose, decision-making, behaviours and wider governance.

As part of the facilitated session the following discussion topics were identified from Board Members and the following comments were made:

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The information within the development session be **noted**; and,
2. The BCF Fund report be **APPROVED**,
3. The Consultants to consult with absent Board Members after the meeting to obtain their views.
4. The Consultants roadmap and recommendations be presented at the next Board meeting.