

# Homes and Health Interventions Project



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- **Government focus on housing**

- Levelling-up White Paper
- Commitment to extend the Decent Homes Standard
- Section 21 Notices
- Landlords register
- Private Rented Sector Reform Programme
- Adult Social Care White Paper
- Integration White Paper
- Focus on collaboration between housing and health teams



## Project Aims

- To develop a single resource which brings together a range of interventions in housing and health
- Include key evidence, data, and evaluation to support housing and health interventions
- Aims to provide a central resource to help inform those working at local and community level looking to develop a business case for future work.



# Structure

## Safe Homes

- Thermal comfort
- Fuel poverty
- Ventilation
- Indoor air quality
- Hazards

## Suitable Homes

- Overcrowding
- Accessible
- Adaptable

## Stable Homes

- Affordability
- Insecure Tenure
- Risk of Homelessness



# Stable Homes



- A home that is affordable and stable is important for our health.
- Homes with insecure tenure can negatively impact our physical and mental wellbeing.



# Affordable homes

- High cost of rent
- Arrears
- Impact on health
- Energy and other essentials



# Insecure Tenure



- Private Rented Sector
- Insecure tenure and risk of eviction
- Impact on health
- Risk factors for people with mental health problems



# Covid-19

- Reduced incomes
- Increased arrears
- Reduced housing security



# Health and Housing inequalities



- People from ethnic minority backgrounds
- Children
- Older people
- Regional Disparities



# Interventions

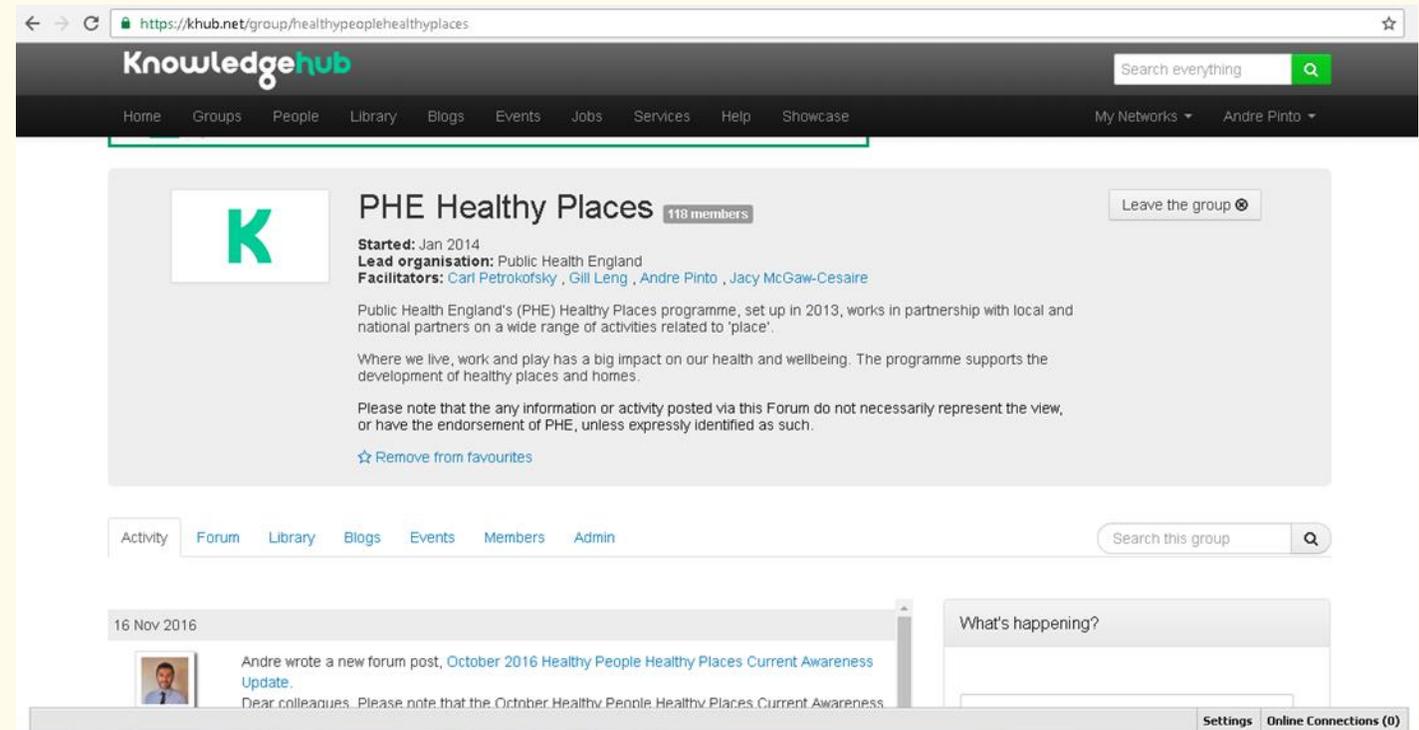
- Supported Housing: Housing First model which combines quick and suitable placement of people at risk of homelessness, along with personalised support.
- Ethical Lettings Agents: Supports private landlords to ensure housing is suitable and appropriate and that tenants needs are supported.
- Accreditation schemes: widely used by local authorities to ensure private landlords are trained to understand their responsibilities towards tenants, particularly those who are waiting to be housed by councils.
- Financial Interventions: To support people in social housing to manage their finances, access benefits and hardship grants to reduce the likelihood of falling into arrears
- Anti-social behaviour: Interventions aimed at reducing antisocial behaviour which can risk housing security including providing support with finances, stress and depression, practical help, support to access services, and supporting parents.



# Continuing the discussion...

Sign up to our Knowledge Hub  
– “healthy places”

<https://khub.net/group/healthy-people-healthy-places>



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Knowledge Hub website. The URL in the address bar is <https://khub.net/group/healthy-people-healthy-places>. The page features a dark navigation bar with the Knowledge Hub logo and a search bar. Below the navigation bar, the main content area displays the 'PHE Healthy Places' group page. The group has 118 members and was started in January 2014. The lead organization is Public Health England, and the facilitators are Carl Petrokofsky, Gill Leng, Andre Pinto, and Jacy McGaw-Cesaire. The page includes a description of the PHE Healthy Places programme, which works in partnership with local and national partners on a wide range of activities related to 'place'. It also mentions that the programme supports the development of healthy places and homes. A note states that any information or activity posted via this forum does not necessarily represent the view or have the endorsement of PHE, unless expressly identified as such. There is a 'Remove from favourites' link. Below the group information, there are tabs for Activity, Forum, Library, Blogs, Events, Members, and Admin. A search bar for the group is also present. The bottom of the page shows a date separator for 16 Nov 2016 and a forum post by Andre, titled 'October 2016 Healthy People Healthy Places Current Awareness Update'. The post content is partially visible: 'Dear colleagues, Please note that the October Healthy People Healthy Places Current Awareness...'. There are also links for 'Settings' and 'Online Connections (0)'.



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