

# THE LONDON RECOVERY PROGRAMME

## Building Strong Communities – Workshop

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An aerial photograph of London, England, showing the River Thames, the Tower Bridge, the Shard skyscraper, and various city buildings. The image is used as a background for the text.

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## We have one grand challenge

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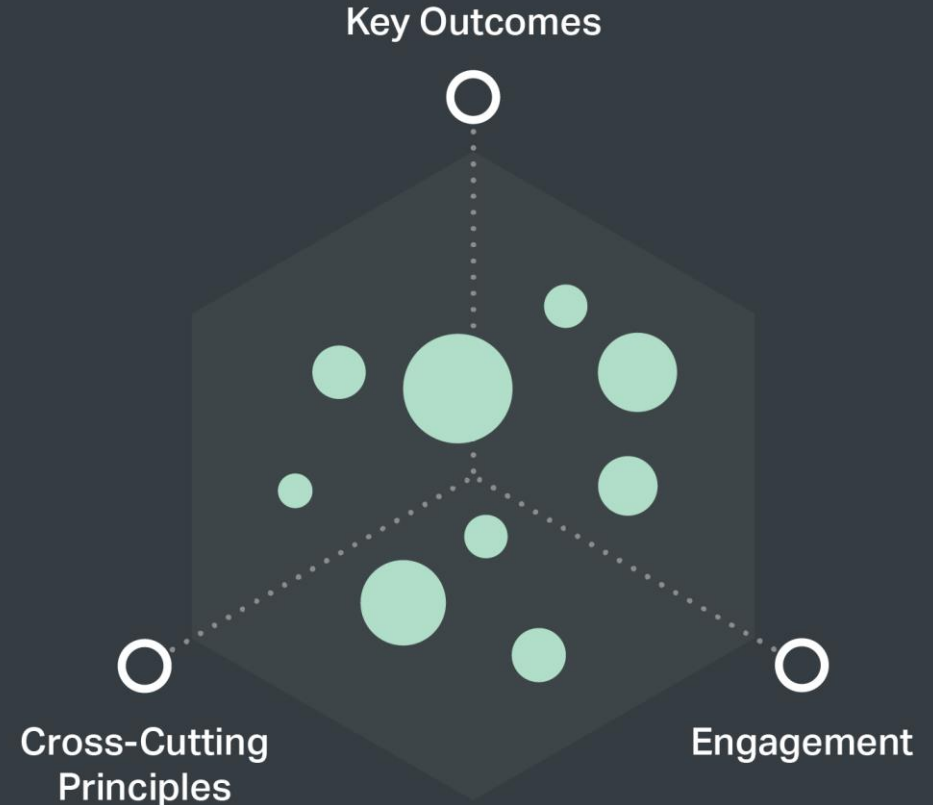
*Restore confidence in the city, minimise the impact on London's communities and build back better the city's economy and society.*

## 9 Missions, shaped by 3 key dimensions

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In response to this Grand Challenge, we have developed a set of missions, shaped by **3 key dimensions**.

1. **Key Outcomes**
2. **Cross-Cutting Principles**
3. **Engagement**



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## Recovery Missions



A Green New Deal



A Robust Safety Net



High Streets For All



A New Deal for Young People



Helping Londoners into Good Work



Mental Health & Wellbeing



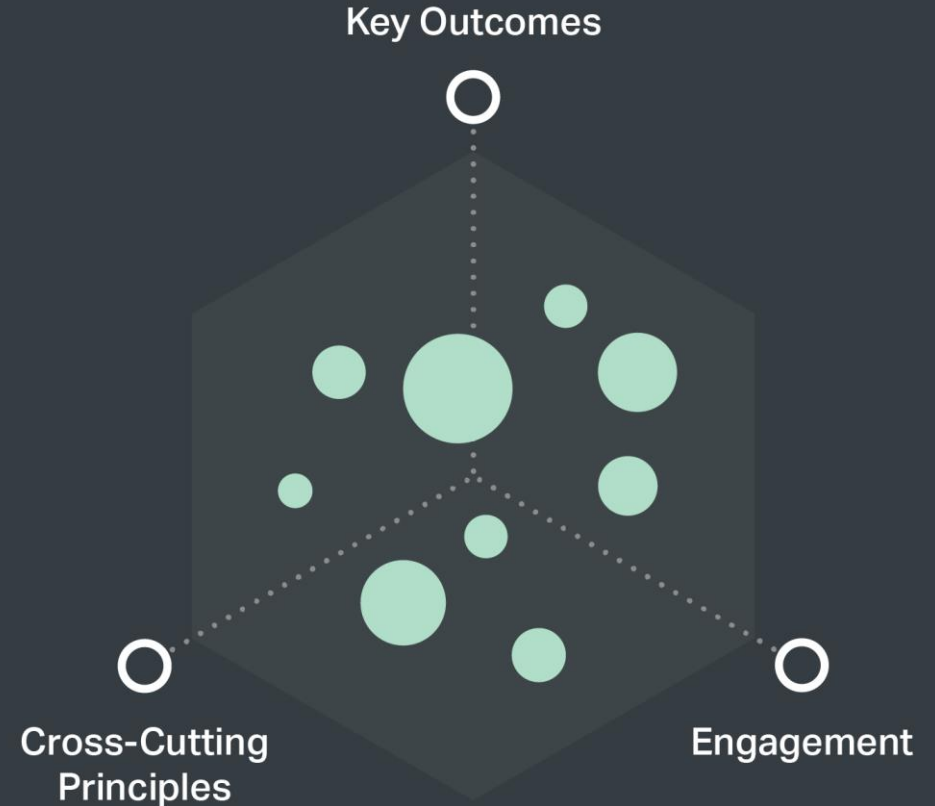
Digital Access For All



Healthy Food, Healthy Weight



Building Strong Communities



# BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITIES



## Mission Leads, Organisations and Approach

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### Mission

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*By 2025 all Londoners will have access to a community hub ensuring they can volunteer, get support and build strong networks.*

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#### **Mission Co-leads:**

Yolande Burgess  
Fiona Rawes

#### **Lead Organisations & Partners:**

London Plus, London Funders, Equality Infrastructure (Ubele, Inclusion London, Women's Resource Centre, Consortium), CVSs, Volunteering bodies, London Borough Faith Network.

### Approach

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#### **We propose to achieve this mission by...**

- Identifying and convening communities and groups most impacted by the virus (e.g. BAME groups, younger Londoners, disabled Londoners etc), for conversations about needs and assets, to begin the co-production of activity;
- Building hyper-local networks and knowledge;
- Supporting community-led activity (through funding, convening, providing expertise etc) to develop and strengthen local assets and embed a tailored community hub approach across London.

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## Short, Medium & Long Term Actions

### Short Term

- London Community Response – funding emergency support needs for Londoners through second lockdown
- Create a picture of London civil society and its strength; to determine and measure elements of strong communities (to begin with feasibility study)
- Civil Society Roots Incubator – small grants to support partnerships that tackle gaps in support for Londoners

### Medium Term

- Community infrastructure at risk model developed
- Collaborative funding for community action
- Working with partners to sustain support for Mutual Aid Networks
- Engagement Collaborative to improve systems for engagement and insights activity across partners in London
- Co-create a model and agreed definition for community hubs

### Long Term

- Community hubs pilots developed for all priority groups (identified by Civic Strength Index) by 2025

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Breakout sessions

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Polling sessions

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## Next steps

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- Carrying on the conversation – keeping-in-touch, deep dives, workshops, Community Engagement Collaborative, Talk London
- Developing a draft action plan from today's key themes and messages
- Testing out our actions with the wider recovery mission in January – linking with the other missions and embedding the cross-cutting principles
- Recruiting permanent Mission Co-Leads - local and community sector perspective and leadership to drive the mission forward
- Staying in touch with the Mission