

2022-25 Suicide Prevention ACTION PLAN: DASHBOARD AND TABLE

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AMBER: Approach TFL to make training in spotting the signs of suicidal behaviour in passengers compulsory for taxi drivers and private hires				AMBER: install and maintain cameras on City of London Bridges to allow fast identification of which Bridge a person is on if they call, with monitoring at high risk times.							

		<p>Implement the vulnerable People And Bridges Security Project within the Secure City Programme.</p> <p>commission a feasibility study of physical measures on the bridges and make a decision based on findings</p> <p>Adapting the upcoming national highways software on location risk assessment for tall buildings and urban structures.</p>			
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PRIORITY 1 Reduce the risk of suicide in key high groups

Objective: To reduce the risk of suicide for young and middle aged men and women

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
1.1.1 Promote the training of frontline staff in organisations including the City of London Police, the Metropolitan Police and staff who work near at risk locations in mental health first aid, suicide awareness, suicide intervention to help them engage men and women in conversations about - Wellbeing and mental health - Accessing appropriate information/self-help support - suicide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Number of frontline staff trained · Training material · Promotion of training · Examples where training has been used to good effect 	Public Health	<p>training is promoted as soon as it is available to CoLp, Frontline staff (education, social care, etc), park guards etc</p> <p>All Tower Bridge security staff are undertaking the ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) programme, and in-house training is being developed for other staff. In addition, a specialist has been commissioned to tailor the training and to create an enhanced aftercare offer for staff involved in serious incidents.</p>	Ongoing
1.1.2 Promote and provide information, training and supporting resources to City employees through Business Healthy member organisations including Small to Medium Enterprises. for SMEs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Information relevant to suicide on the Business Healthy resource pages · Number of Business Healthy members 	Public Health Business Healthy	Business healthy runs quarterly training sessions that are always well attended and well received as well as ad hoc sessions for businesses who have had completions or for professions who have high exposure to suicide incidents (eg: security professionals)	Ongoing
1.1.3 Train barbers in the City of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Number of barbers who 	Public Health	Half of the city barbers were	Green

London to talk to men about emotional health/the Release the Pressure campaign/five to thrive.	undertake training · Feedback from barbers on how this is perceived and used · Exposure of campaign		trained in May 2019 and PH recommissioned some training via the lion barbers collective to train more barbers in march 2023. Next round of training will be in 2026 if budgets allow.	
1.1.4 Provide suicide prevention training to primary care professionals	· Number of practice nurses who have had mental health training	North East London Clinical Commissioning Group	Tower Hamlet CEPN regularly offers training to primary care professionals and the NEL ICB provides an SP webinar to GPs, practice staff, healthcare assistants etc.	Ongoing
1.1.5 Approach security firms to train security guards in spotting suicidal behavior and having the confidence to intervene	number of security guards trained in suicide awareness	Public Health and Business healthy	Security professionals have been trained through the BH sessions + since February 2022 the worshipful company of security professionals has approached the SPSG members to see where joint working could be done - three sessions specifically for security professionals were organised in late feb and late march 2024 as well as May 2025.	
1.1.6 Approach taxi companies to train the drivers in spotting the signs of suicidal behaviour in their passengers and notifying the police	number of drivers trained in suicide awareness	Public Health and TFL	working towards: - promoting the Zero Suicide Alliance 25 min free online training on the taxi drivers newsletter which goes out to 125,000 license holders - incorporating suicide prevention training into the compulsory training for applicants to get a taxi license - TFL is saying this sits with DfT so we have started talks with DfT	Amber

			- texts on suicide prevention and spotting the signs is being added to the TFL taxi drivers handbook aka the black book	
1.2 City of London Corporation commissioned services to promote suicide awareness campaign where appropriate	· Add 'Suicide awareness / prevention' component to Stress and the workplace section of drug and alcohol talks delivered to City businesses and refer TP service users to MH services as appropriate	Turning Point, prospects, young hackney	Partner organization staff have been trained in suicide awareness and are promoting suicide awareness campaigns	Ongoing
1.2.1 Promote 24/7 crisis hotlines with a marketing campaign targeting primarily resident and City worker males (using Kent's Release the Pressure campaign).	· Number of businesses which have achieved the London Healthy Workplace Charter	Public Health Business Healthy	Public Health and business healthy regularly promote hotlines and campaigns via various mediums Samaritans contact information displayed on CBF bridges	Ongoing
1.3 Support City of London businesses to achieve the London Healthy Workplace Charter award and also to comply with HSE Stress Management Standards and NICE Guidance		CoL Port health and public protection Business Healthy	We continue to promote the GLA's Good Work Standard, which is the main accreditation now. While it incorporates element of the Healthy Workplace Award and has a good focus on mental health but no specific reference to suicide prevention: https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/mayors_good_work_standard_employer_guidance_00.pdf A suicide prevention project	Ongoing

			officer has been hired in late April 2025 and will promote good practice to the City businesses via a suicide prevention business network + the public health suicide prevention lead is working with the British Standards institute to write the first standards on suicide prevention for all employers and organizations in the UK.	
1.4 continue implementing the Mental Health Street Triage service: Mental Health clinicians to accompany the City of London Police on callouts	· reduced incarceration rates under s136, reduced suicide incidents, systemic savings as per 2022 evaluation	East London Foundation Trust/North East London Clinical Commissioning Group City of London Police	After trialling an 18 hour a day model, the service now has new operating hours of 3pm to 3am, this facilitates recruitment of mental health clinicians and ensures that the period of high activities are covered. We constantly review the service to ensure it has the best operating model possible, this is done in conjunction of the impact of the Bridge watch patrols	Ongoing
1.5 CoL, LBH and ELFT joint suicide audit	audit completed and shared with members of the steering group and stakeholders	East London Foundation Trust/ Public Health	The City and Hackney suicide audit was finalised and presented to the City Health and Wellbeing board in the autumn of 2023. The next one will not be until autumn of 2026 or after.	Ongoing

1.6 Explore the possibility of a network of safe places in the City to take people in MH crisis	network with security staff present in 5+ locations nearby frequently used location	Public Health and City of London Police	The safe havens network has been created by safe business organisation, they have 60 locations and are always finding new ones, the list of locations has been shared with relevant partners such as Bridge Watch and the CoLP. We have offered the business suicide prevention awareness training.	Ongoing
1.7 Street Pastors to be positioned at high risk locations in the City at high risk times.	· Street Pastors regularly patrolling the City.	City of London Police	The street pastors patrol the City when they have capacity, this compliments Parkguard, tower bridge security and bridgewatch patrols	Ongoing
1.8 Collaborate with City Bridge Foundation on their 10 million suicide Prevention funding programme	10 millions have been allocated and evaluations are showing a positive impact	City Bridge Foundation	CBF created a £10 million Suicide Prevention Funding Programme in 2023, aimed at supporting both grassroots and strategic suicide prevention initiatives, with funding awarded to funded organisations in December 2024. The funding aims to enable community connection, systems change, and lived experience integration in service design.	

PRIORITY 2 Tailor approaches to improve mental health in specific groups

Objective: Tailor approaches to improve the mental health of Children and young people and men in the City of London

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
2.1 Provide training to increase knowledge of children and young people's emotional health, self-harm and suicide risk awareness amongst practitioners across a range of settings, in particular <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · school nurses · teachers · clinicians · Social Workers · police · probation staff · school staff · community workers. 	Number of practitioners to have been offered mental health first aid training · Number of practitioner to have taken up mental health first aid training	Public Health	Free training is regularly offered to education professionals and frontline staff through the North East London Sustainability and transformation partnership	Ongoing
2.2 Improve mental health among specific groups through the implementation of the Mental Health Strategy	· Annual progress of the mental health action plan.	Public Health, North East London Clinical Commissioning Group	BAME, LGBTQIA+, SEND, single men in their 40s, people with PD have been some of the cohorts we have focused on - since the new national strategy noted problem gamblers as an at risk cohort, work is being done on gambling harm (training frontline staff, needs assessment, etc) We are starting to look at the	ongoing

			links between victims and perpetrators of Domestic violence and suicide.	
2.3 Identify and support children/young people/vulnerable families where children are at risk of emotional and behavioural problems	· Every Looked After Child who needs it has a suicide prevention plan.	City of London Children's Social Care	the City Mental Health alliance has produced this guidance which we are promoting https://citymha.org.uk/Resources/Parents-Toolkit	Ongoing
2.4 Help parents to feel competent in protecting their children from harmful suicide-related content online by raising awareness of e-safety education on good practice in creating a safer online environment for children and young people (as compiled by UK Council for Child Internet Safety (UKCCIS))	· E-training module for parents to be disseminated to schools.	City and Hackney Safeguarding Children Partnership	City MH alliance has created this guidance https://citymha.org.uk/Resources/Parents-Toolkit which is being promoted the release of the City Safer Schools App is available for parents and continues to be promoted.	Ongoing
2.5 Migrant mental health – Ensure there are services to support migrants and undocumented individuals to access mental health services, particularly Care Leavers.	· Enhanced mental health service commissioned for Looked After Children and Care Leavers	City of London Children's Social Care	City social care have a Trainee Family Therapy Clinic with Kings College London which is open to any child or family known to early help or children's social care, for early intervention. This is well used. City social care also run an Early Intervention Mental Health for UASCs jointly with Coram. This is working to improve gut health and sleep. CHSCP published key messages for practices	Ongoing

			Work is also being done with afghan and ukrainian refugees	
2.6 Student mental health - ensure HEIs staff are trained and can signpost students	· at least one staff in City HEI campus trained in suicide awareness	Public Health	The city's suicide prevention lead promotes resources, free trainings to HEIs and education settings. The samaritans attend fresher weeks; the City Suicide prevention lead was part of a national advisory group which wrote a guidance for HEIs on suicide prevention and restricting access to means.	Ongoing
2.7 Social Prescribing – encourage adopting of the Five to Thrive principles to enhance wellbeing, reduce social isolation, provide peer support , reduce depression and build resilience	· Promotion of CCG lead five to thrive campaign - dissemination of video	North East London Clinical Commissioning Group	FTT website is now redesigned to reach even more people. FTT team promotes Suicide awareness and Mental health literacy trainings regularly as well other wider MH campaigns	Ongoing
2.8 Adapt the Public Health England document ' Identifying and responding to Suicide Clusters and Contagion' so shapes a local response.	Document produced	CHSBC Public health COL suicide prevention lead	the first document was completed and circulated to the members of the group but there is now a new one Revised guidance if not already circulated - here: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/839621/PHE_Suicide_Cluster_Guide.pdf Operationally,	Completed

			<p>there is confidence that contagion / cluster is being considered as part of Joint Agency response meetings under new child death review arrangements - guidance is being used in this context</p> <p>The COL suicide's prevention lead has written the cluster response protocol for the North East london integrated care board suicide prevention group and will adapt this document to the city soon.</p>	
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PRIORITY 3 Reduce access to the means of suicide

Objective: Reduce the opportunities people have to complete suicide in the City of London

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
3.1 Include suicide risk in health and safety considerations by local authority planning departments and Environmental Health Officers and developers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Suicide considerations in standard risk assessment/health and safety tick box template.· Suicide considered in Health Impact Assessments	CoL Planning and Port Health and public protection	<p>Suicide prevention and application of the Planning Advice Note is a standing item for pre-application discussions on development schemes and is also included in all committee and delegated reports as necessary.</p> <p>The planning guidance on how to mitigate suicide risk in high places has been approved and published, PH and EHOs have delivered 3 trainings to planning officers, PH offers advice on a regular basis to developers and architects, PH is sharing learnings at various national and pan london suicide prevention groups/webinars/conference because other areas are seeking to implement something similar.</p> <p>The new SP project officer will help do the above lobbying, The SP lead and planners will review the PAN by end of 2025, beginning of 2026. Training for the planners has been organized for June and August</p>	Ongoing

			2025.	
3.2 Engage with Transport For London, the British Transport Police and network rail to identify opportunities for further prevention of suicide at their locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationship to be built between City of London public health and TFL/BTP/network rail 	Public Health, North East London Clinical Commissioning Group	<p>BME, LGBTQIA+, single men in their 40s, people with PD have been some of the cohorts we have focused on ; BTP and TFL are both on our steering group and we do joint work with them (Eg: training taxi drivers in suicide prevention)</p> <p>TFL is also now leading a working group on incidents on the river which has 4 workstream one of which is to create a river incidents database hosted by the GLA.</p>	ongoing
3.2.1 Evaluate 'The London Bridge Pilot' to reduce suicide and attempted suicide at this location	Evaluation produced	Public health	Evaluation finalised in 2019	Completed
3.3 Work with the Samaritans, East London Foundation Trust (ELFT) and City and Hackney Mind to develop a sustainable model of suicide prevention developed as part of the Bridge Pilot to City of London Workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of people trained Examples where training has been used to good effect. 	CoL P Public Health	The mental health street triage service, operated by ELFT MH clinicians, is still operating in the square mile (its hours of operations were expanded in july 2021 for 12 months and an evaluation of the service has found that it saves a lot of money at the system level by reducing s136), the bridge	Ongoing

			<p>watch program mobilised in december 2023 and CoL has commissioned a feasibility study of the bridges that is still going through governance. Samaritans are still delivering Business Health suicide awareness training to workers near the river + there is new training being developed by thames reach academy supported by the tidal thames water safety forum.</p> <p>The SP lead is also working with thames skills academy to train thames operators and raise awareness of the issue of suicide to riparian businesses and workers.</p>	
3.4 install and maintain cameras on City of London Bridges to allow fast identification of which Bridge a person is on if they call, with monitoring at high risk times.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cameras on bridges which are streamed to the CoLP control room, Coast Guards has access to support search and rescue 	One Safe City/ Secure City CoLP	<p>May25 – The project to implement new high definition cameras on the City of London Bridges is nearing completion. London Bridge, Millennium and Tower Bridge cameras are live. Blackfriars Bridge cameras are implemented on the test system pending troubleshooting. Southwark civil works are well advanced and will initially be commissioned on the test system.</p>	ongoing
3.5 mobilise bridge watch programme patrols	volunteers patrolling the 5 BHE owned bridges 24/7	Ascension Trust, CoL Police, RNLI, PLA, PH	- 847 hours of patrol from December 4th	Ongoing

			<p>2023 to 31st March 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 75 interventions - 6 clearly expressed threats of jumping - 14 self declared suicidal people - 17 MHST intervention, 13 section 136 - The volunteers have helped find a missing vulnerable person and a missing child - 44 volunteers trained and patrolling in May 2025, 5 to be trained over the summer of 2025 - Volunteers were trained in naloxone in July 2024 - Volunteers will be trained in Making Every Contact Count and self defence in June 2025. - Exploring alternative funding sources for additional funding: administrative support for the programme lead + to offer volunteers incentives (per diem/travel costs coverage to help at night - National institute for health research will evaluate Bridge watch 	
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			for impact	
3.6 Put RNLI signs on embankments to contain the message 'dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard'.	Signs on embankment	RNLI and PH	Signs are up	Complete
3.6.1 maintain the signage on the lifebuoys on the City of London Bridges to contain the message 'dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard'	Signs are maintained	RNLI , PLA City of London Built environment	Signs are up and maintained	Ongoing
3.7 Work with the London Borough of Tower Hamlets and the London Borough of Southwark to get permission to place Samaritans signs on Tower and Southwark Bridges	Signs on Tower and Southwark bridges.	Public health	Signs are up	Complete

3.8 Implement the Vulnerable People And Bridges Security Project within the Secure City Programme.	The CCTV system is further supported by specialist camera, sensor and analytic algorithms on Bridges and riverside to improve situational awareness 24/7 and intervention is faster and easier	CoL Police and CoL	Solutions with high expected usefulness are being trialled, however the project has experienced delays behind IT issues impacting the core components of the programme. A specialist consulting firm has been engaged to do an up to date 'horizon scan' to inform the Vulnerable People Project plans.	Ongoing

3.9 Share suicide awareness and prevention guidance with the relevant stakeholders	· guidance is shared as widely as possible and general confidence in engaging someone in crisis grows	All	Public health is sharing guidance with developers, construction companies, licensed premises, city licensing annually visits the ten premises along the waterfront and shares PLA's updated guidance on safety equipment, suicide prevention leaflets; CoLp is engaging with the business crime prevention partnership (50 premises)	Ongoing
3.10 Continue to engage with the Tidal Thames water safety forum and input into the action plan of the Tidal Thames: drowning prevention strategy	Partners share knowledge and learning about safety on the Thames as well as data of incidents along the river	RNLI , PLA, community safety, port health, public health City of London Built environment	PH attends all meetings of the TTWSF, Thames reach academy is delivering a training for people working along and on the river with the listening place, PH has given feedback as well as CoLp. The new drowning strategy is being written by the group with CoL SP lead leading on the priority around suicide. PH also attends the thames water partnership group which is more operations and has thames operators on it.	Ongoing
3.11 commission a feasibility study of physical measures on the bridges	final answer on what physical measures can be implemented on the 5 city bridges	PH, BHE, Town clerk, Paul Monaghan (chief engineer), Ian Hughes (SCP), Peter Shadbolt (planning)	The public protection study was finished in December 2022. It went through governance early 2023 then The committee chairs decided on may 10th 2023 to pause the governance on the public protection study	Amber

			and it has been restarted informally in September 2024 through discussions between the acting managing director and the SRO for SP at the CoL	
3.12 Adapting the upcoming national highways software on location risk assessment for tall buildings and urban structures.	software or risk assessment framework for urban structure	PH, planning, national highway	the PH suicide prevention officer has met with national highways about their upcoming software, it is not completed yet thus cannot yet be adapted to urban structure just yet. Chased the team in april 2025.	Amber
3.13 Maintaining safety and search and rescue equipment and infrastructure on the river	Life buoys, life rings, life belts are regularly inventorised and replaced as needed	Port of London Authority Port health City Bridge Foundation	<p>In 2023 the Tidal Thames water safety forum issued a letter to all riparian local authorities asking their help in preventing drowning in the Thames and checking their search and rescue equipment, this is regularly done by the COL thankfully.</p> <p>Work is progressing to increase the number of lifebelts on Tower Bridge in coordination with City of London Highways and local planning authorities</p>	Green
3.14 Collaborate with City Bridge Foundation and its tower Bridge security team to ensure	Patrols are covering as much time as possible with the resources available		June 2025 - A review of security patrols is underway to ensure the right balance of presence,	Green

the best use of their resources in terms of patrols of the bridge, in parallel with Bridge Watch patrol coverage			frequency, and coverage.	
3.15 Collaborate with and assist City Bridge Foundation to review security, surveillance and emergency procedures to ensure the best use of resources and maximum impact	Regular review of security provisions in line with the latest best practice and technological advancement	City Bridge Foundation City of London Corporation	A new annual security review, led by a third-party consultant, will build on the 2024 internal CBF review. This external assessment will examine camera systems, emergency procedures, training, and protocols across all five CBF bridges, with the aim to complete this review by the end of Q2 2025/26.	Green

PRIORITY 4 Those who are bereaved or affected by suicide to feel informed and supported throughout their experience

Objective: Those who are bereaved or affected by suicide to feel informed and supported throughout their experience

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
4.1.1 Provide training and resources for primary care staff to raise awareness of the vulnerability and support needs of family members when someone takes their own life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of primary care staff who have received training 	CCG City of London Coroner	Primary care staff is regularly trained (training with MIND on 21/11/23) + Thrive LDN is commissioning some training for GPs	Ongoing
4.1.2 Engage city businesses to identify best practice regarding the mental health of its employees and promote it – particularly to those that have already experienced a suicide in their workforce.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up with businesses who have undergone training Promote the suicide prevention agenda within City business groupings such as the City Mental Health Alliance and "This Is Me – In the City" (Lord Mayor's Appeal) 	CoL Health and Safety Business Healthy	May 2025 : Over 450 people attended This is me events in 2024 with a further 91 having attended the first two events of 2025 which were focussed on the mental health awareness week theme of community. We continue to partner with organisations across the City in delivery of events with UBS having hosted the most recent in person event featuring representatives from BlackRock, BNY and MQ Mental Health Research with whom we continue to collaborate closely as a	ongoing

			<p>partner charity.</p> <p>This years support of mental health awareness week includes the delivery of a webinar, a guided mental health walk and talk (in collaboration with MQ) around the city as well as the support of numerous events via attendance, speaking roles and the distribution of Green Ribbons.</p> <p>39 organisations purchased Green Ribbons in 2024 bringing the total distributed world wide to 286,000. The start of 2025 has seen ribbons sent to Poland, USA, India, Brazil, Singapore and Hong Kong.</p> <p>Wellbeing in the Workplace training was brought to a close in October 2024 reaching 52,000 people during its lifetime.</p> <p>They have six webinars planned for the remainder of 2025, covering a variety of topics within the wider mental health agenda and an in person event on October 9th in advance of World</p>	
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			<p>Mental Health day.</p> <p>As always, the latest news and activities can be found on our website whilst the This is Me resource hub, which was used by 141 organisations in 2024, remains free to access and contains a range of materials designed to support workplaces on the wellbeing journey.</p>	
<p>4.1.3 Risks to be assessed by the City Corporations Environment health officers following on from any suicides in public/the workplace and any preventative /remedial measures are identified for action</p>	<p>Number of risk assessments being undertaken by the CoL Health and Safety team following suicides in City of London businesses (should be systematic/coincide with completion data)</p>	<p>CoL planning, PH, CoLp</p>	<p>PH and Planning have developed a planning guidance that can be used before or after the design stage, this guidance can be helpful to rooftop bars/terraces which have had incidents before. CoL p also has a designing out crime officers who can give advice on suicide risk mitigation in businesses. The suicide completion roles and responsibilities document (CoLp notices EHOs of any completion in a business and EHOs (supported by PH) offer advice on risk mitigation and training in suicide awareness) has been updated to be more detailed</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

			after an incident in March 2025, it is expected to be approved by the multi agency steering group in the summer of 2025.	
4.2 Provide accessible, concise information on the processes and standards in a Coroner's inquiry to family members	Number of bereaved families given information (should be systematic/coincide with completion data)	The Coroner	This is standard procedure by coroner's office. This is ongoing on a separate action log. the "new" standard of proof for suicide, has led to less open verdicts because it is more clear cut, it gives families more clarity and make dealing with families more straightforward and it will be good for the next suicide audit.	Ongoing
4.3 Provide bereaved families with an explanation of policies on investigation of patient suicides, opportunity to be involved and information on any actions taken as a result. Refer families to City of London bereavement services web pages	· Proportion of families who are referred to bereavement services (should be systematic/coincide with completion data)	CoLp	CoLp Family Liaison Officer should advise them to what is available to them, the FLO's would do their own research and find specific contacts for them to use.	Ongoing
4.4 Offer those bereaved as a result of suicide signposting to	· Number of people offered bereavement support	CoLP and coroner	Information on bereavement services is offered by CoLp	Ongoing

bereavement services	(should be systematic/coincide with completion data)		systematically, it is also available on various websites (CoL, North East London Integrated Care Board)	
4.5 contact funeral parlours in the city/used by city residents to ensure they are aware of bereavement services for those affected by suicide	number of funeral parlours aware of the bereavement services .	Public health	The suicide prevention lead has compiled a list of the funeral parlours (fenix funeral) but still needs get in touch with them, delayed by covid and the work on the bridges and tall buildings. June 2025 : The new suicide prevention and project officer has contacted funeral parlors national guilds and syndicate to work with them on promoting suicide specific bereavement services	Green
4.6 promote training around bereavement	number of people the training is being promoted to	PH	promotion of NEL training as well as cruse offer takes place regularly	ongoing
4.7 Bereavement support for children who have lost a parent or carer	Number of people utilising CYP bereavement services	NEL ICB	The children and young people's bereavement service at St Joseph's hospice is now accepting referrals for young people who have lost a parent, carer or significant person in their life due to a bereavement of any kind (this was previously covid-related bereavements	ongoing

			only).	
4.8 Create and send the bereavement support pack to stakeholders, residents and partners	bereavement pack sent to city VCS and partners	PH	The pack is finalised, it contains a bereavement video from LBH, bereavement leaflets (60 copies have already been sent to LBH VCS)	complete
4.9 Promote Public Health England 'Help Is At Hand' document to key partners and make available in City libraries	Help is at hand document readily available in libraries.	PH and libraries	Help is at hand has been distributed to libraries	complete

PRIORITY 5 Support the media in delivering sensitive approaches to suicide and suicidal behaviour

Objective: The media to report on suicide and suicide behaviour sensitively, taking into account guidance and support from other stakeholders

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
5.1 Ensure that local/regional newspapers and other media outlets: <ul style="list-style-type: none">· provide information about sources of support and helplines when reporting suicide· avoid insensitive and inappropriate graphic illustrations with media reports of suicide· avoid use of photographs taken from social networking sites without relative consent· avoid the re-publication of photographs of people who have died by suicide· report appropriately where there is evidence of a cluster	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· All suicides reported on in a sensitive and appropriate way	City of London Corporation and CoLP media Teams Samaritans media team	The media guidelines have been shared. Media outlets don't always follow them but the CoLP and COLC media teams follow up with them when they don't. In feb 2022 we developed a briefing for media enquiry around the feasibility study of physical measures on the bridges in case any media outlet notices the tender and asks questions + are preparing proactive comms ahead of the usual spring increase in incidents	Ongoing

5.2 Challenge, where possible, the publication of harmful or inappropriate material with reference to the updated laws on promoting suicide	· Evidence of challenge of harmful or inappropriate material	CoL	We have offered our support to the samaritans and NSPA in their campaign to have some sections of the online harm bill to be modified. CoL Suicide prevention lead officer has met with Hull university to help in their research project of unhelpful online content when it comes to suicide prevention PH SP officers keeps engaging with organizations who challenge harmful content	ongoing
5.3 Promote the samaritans communication toolkit to encourage the use of positive appropriate language in all communications and during purdah	change in language, successfully, commit, are no longer widely used	All	use of appropriate language and terminology is important when discussing suicide. All partners should avoid using outdated terms, but are also asked to demonstrate kindness if colleagues misspeak - we are all working to become better people and professionals.	Ongoing
5.4 notify the samaritans and NSPA about harmful media content for them to follow up on	number of reports to NSPA and samaritans	PH and All	this is ongoing, every time there is inappropriate comms, the suicide prevention lead officer notifies the samaritans media team and the NSPA	Ongoing

5.5 Share the 'Samaritans' Media Guidelines for Reporting Suicide with City Corporation, City Police and NHS media teams and ensure that they are aware of the sensitive nature of suicides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of organisations aware of the Samaritans media guidelines 	The samaritans	The guidelines have been shared and continue to be shared regularly	Complete
5.6 Promote Business in the Community's "suicide post-vention toolkit for employers" to the Business Healthy network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posts on the Business Healthy website/ newsletter/ social media (World Suicide Prevention day - 10 September) Include as a resource in training packs 	CoLP and coroner	shared and continue to be shared regularly	complete
5.7 develop a guidance for the events team to consider the risks of putting on events on the subject of suicides	guidance produced and adopted by the relevant committee	PH, CoL events teams	the PH suicide prevention officer has gone to an events team quarterly meeting to propose the idea of a suicide guidance on events and this was received enthusiastically. She has also consulted several galleries and museums to find out the best format for the upcoming events guidance.	Green

PRIORITY 6 Support Research, data collection and monitoring

Objective: TA comprehensive database of suicide in the city of london and the whole of london to be built

Action:	Measure/outcome:	Lead partner	Comments:	RAG status
6.1 Share local, national and international data and research on suicide prevention and effective interventions, and identify gaps in current knowledge	· Shared with relevant partners	All	The suicide prevention lead officer regularly shares data with partners; regularly presents at conferences, webinars, forum to share learnings. We are also always thriving to improve our data collection and that of partners.	ongoing
6.2 Work with the local Coroner in order to aid accurate data collection and aid the development of targeted suicide prevention strategies	· Joined up working and information sharing between the coroner and public health	Coroner, port health, public protection	the coroner has shared data with PH to be included in the suicide audit of 2017-2022, the coroner and PH SP lead met in June 2023 and are sharing information	ongoing
6.3 work with NHS England on the Child Protection Information System CP-IS	health alert system includes details of children in care or subject to cp plans.	CHSCP	Awaiting update on timeline from NHSE	Ongoing

6.4 Join and contribute to the Thrive London Real Time Surveillance System (pan london suicide data base)	input into the database and use it to inform intervention	Thrive LDN, CoLp and PH	<p>The City of London has joined the Thrive LDN real time surveillance database, this innovative suicide surveillance system is designed for use by multi-agency group, allowing councils, police, mental health services, suicide prevention groups to share real time surveillance data and coordinate responses. The system is innovative as it uses a report from the police force of a potential suicide as the basis for reporting, as opposed to coroner decision of confirmed suicide. This allows a timeframe of days following the incident for information to be added and action to be taken as opposed to months after. access is tailored by both residence of deceased and location of death.</p> <p>Thrive is now working on a self harm database as well as recording suicide attempts and contemplation, this involves a lot of work in terms of agreeing on definitions across all organizations involved</p>	Ongoing
6.5 CoLp to share real time surveillance data with UCL in order for them to analyze the patterns of movement and why people come to the square mile to attempt suicide	study with recommendation produced	CoLp	We have received a draft of the report from UCL end of july 2023	Ongoing

6.6 Resolve issues with receiving feedback from hospitals regarding the outcome of the mental health assessments after S136. The City Police Suicide Profile of 2020 recommends that "an Information Sharing Agreement with the NHS should be established so that requests can be submitted to hospitals which request the outcome of assessment for any individual taken to hospital. This should be completed for every individual that attempts suicide; to ensure that all risk information is shared and appropriate safeguarding measures completed."	information sharing agreement with NHS in place	CoLP and NHS	The information management team in Force is checking if CoLP can have that information under the DPA - July 2024 no data sharing agreements in place apart from between COLP and Homerton, royal London and Newham hospitals. May 2025 the police dont usually contact any hospital following a s136 detention to get the outcome for information sharing and risk purposes, the police will only ask MHST if they are personally concerned about what may have happened to a patient as there is no DSA with st thomas and other hospitals	Green
6.7 Routinely collect data on attempted suicide in the City from Section 136 booklets	· S136 data to be collected by the City of London Police and shared with public health		colp has given access to NICHE to the MHST clinicians and are working on improving data discrepancy between the CoLP data and the MHST data	green
6.8 Develop an overarching data sharing agreement to allow the sharing of personal level suicide data between partners including the London Ambulance Service, British Transport Police, City of	· Data sharing agreement in place and signed by all partners	CoL	After consulting legal, it has been established that the safer city data sharing agreement is applicable to suicide prevention because it mentions the care act. there is thus no need to	complete

London Police and the City Corporation.			create a new data sharing agreement.	
6.9 Develop the mechanisms for evaluating local suicide prevention work	· Evaluation of 'the Bridge Pilot'	PH	See action 3.3 the Mental health street triage was evaluated in early 2022 and was found to avert costs at the system level by reducing incarceration under s136 of the MH act, the service has paid for itself and potentially prevented 21 suicides	complete
6.10 Produce an enhance suicide prevention report	enhanced suicide report produced and shared	senior corporate affairs officer and all	A report <i>Suicide Prevention Measures in the City of London</i> was published on 26 October 2023. The report summarised suicide prevention measures in the Square Mile, with a view of celebrating good practice, improving partnership working and identifying gaps and opportunities across local suicide prevention networks.	complete
6.11 Organize a city suicide prevention conference to showcase our work and share good practice and learnings with partners and stakeholders	conference organised and learning shared	senior corporate affairs officer, town clerk and PH	At the request of Members, a one-day conference on suicide prevention was also organised, the <i>City Hope Conference</i> and held on 26 October 2023. This event gathered 156 senior professionals from more than	Complete

			100 organisations in suicide prevention and mental health to review progress, learn from past actions, and discuss future initiatives.	
6.12 Contribute to the Riverside incidents database which TFL leads on	DSA signed Database created and hosted by the GLA CoLp, MHST and BW data imputed into the database	TTWSF members : CoLp, BW MHST City Bridge Foundation	The group is meeting in late June 2025 to have a look at which Data sharing agreements still need to be signed. GLA has agreed to host the data dashboard since it hosts the Thrive LDN real time surveillance database already. The CoL SP lead and CBF are going to work on CBF contributing given that Routine data on distressed individuals and retrievals from water is gathered by the Tower Bridge Security team and reviewed at Tower Bridge Management Group meetings. Plans are underway to formalise this reporting to ensure it is shared with the CBF Board at least annually and with the Executive Leadership Team on a quarterly basis. There is potential to expand this approach to include all bridges within the CBF portfolio.	Ongoing