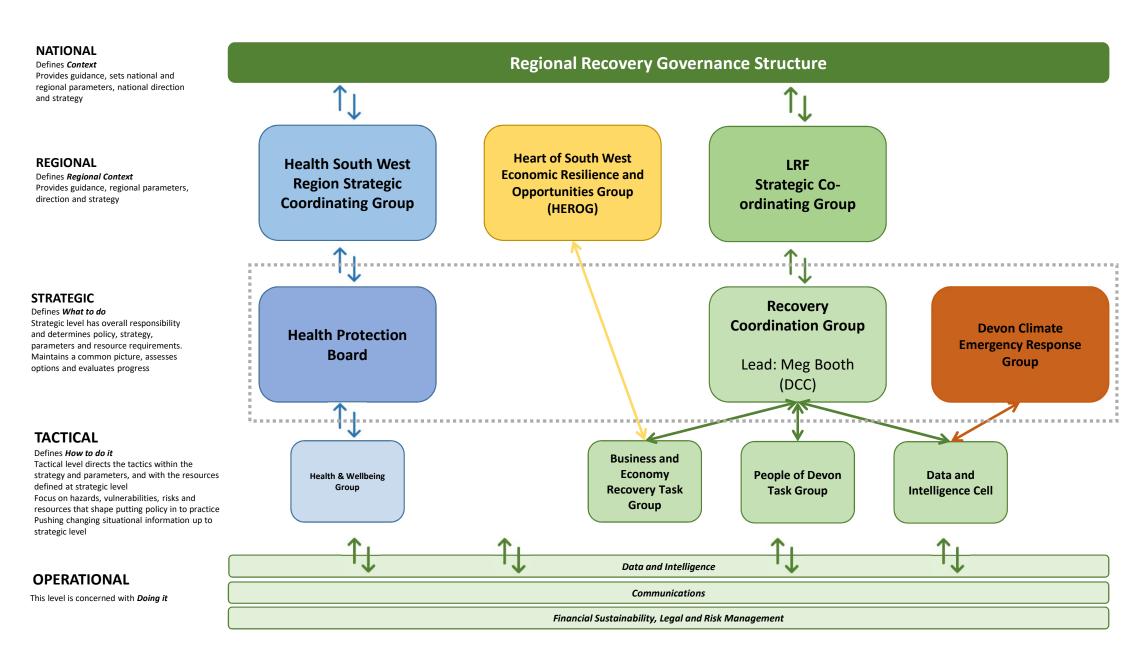
# **COVID-19 Recovery Presentation**

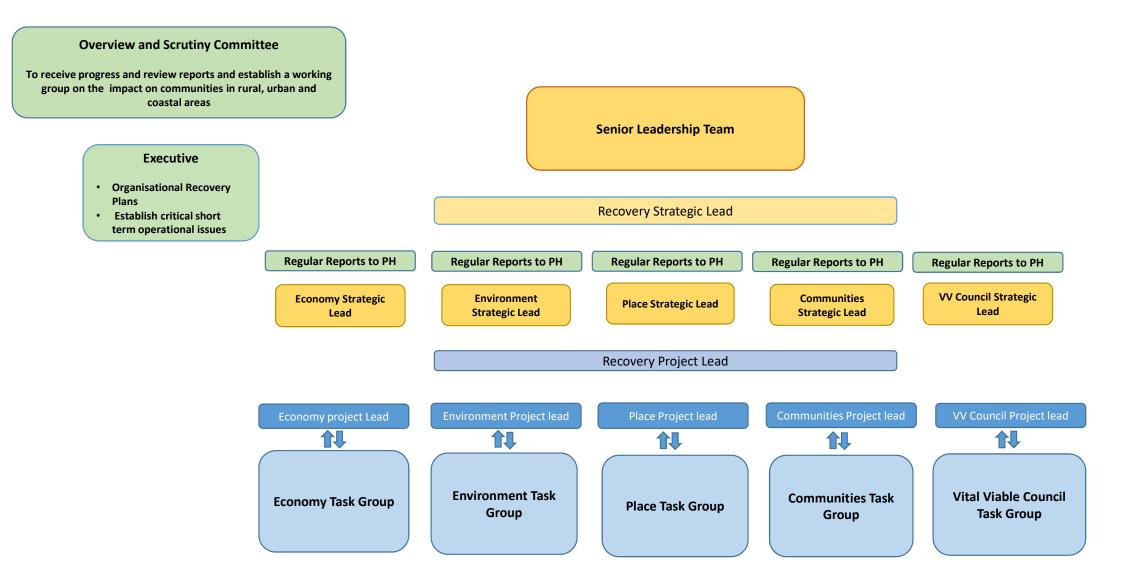
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#### **Teignbridge District Council COVID-19 Recovery Structure**



#### Assessing COVID-19 Community Impact in Teignbridge & Devon

- Audit of Existing Data Sources
- Literature Reviews (TDC and DCC)
- Residents' and Stakeholder Surveys
- Stakeholder Workshops
- Member-led Community Impact Work





#### Assessing COVID-19 Community Impact in Teignbridge & Devon

#### Data Audits

- At TDC, we conducted an audit of existing data Sources in September and October which drew data from national, regional and local sources relating to each of our key theme areas (Economy, Place, Environment, Vital Viable Council and Communities).
- Through the DCC Data and Intelligence Group, an Impacts table is being devised which will draw key data sets from national and local sources concentrating on the following areas:

Equalities, Community Safety and Wellbeing, Economy, Housing and Homelessness, Transport, environment and Climate, and the Community and Voluntary Sector.





#### Latest Claimant Count

- Increased, quicker than national average
- Flattening as economy reopened

 Lower DCC rates than national rates

Local Authority	Feb-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	% Change in Volume Feb-Oct	Rank = % change out of 315 LA's in England	Claimant Count rate Oct 2020
South Hams	735	2,385	2,290	2,115	187.8%	38	4.3%
West Devon	480	1,370	1,290	1,270	164.6%	72	4.1%
DCC Area	8,315	22,370	21,310	20,040	156.3%	n/a	4.3%
East Devon	1,250	3,580	3,365	3,135	150.8%	98	4.0%
Teignbridge	1,410	3,840	3,655	3,450	144.7%	112	4.5%
Exeter	1,460	3,820	3,690	3,510	140.4%	115	3.9%
North Devon	1,240	3,200	3,005	2,815	127.0%	152	5.0%
Mid Devon	820	2,045	1,995	1,860	126.8%	153	3.9%
Torridge	920	2,130	2,020	1,885	104.9%	207	4.9%
Torbay	2,675	5,985	5,750	5,465	104.3%	209	7.1%
Plymouth	5,875	10,895	10,720	10,190	73.4%	283	6.1%
England	1,050,875	2,282,005	2,262,510	2,228,150	115.3%	n/a	6.3%





### Youth Employment

- Rising overall position, quicker than national levels
- Rurality emerging feature
- Above 2008 recession levels
- Slightly lower for DCC area in Sep/Oct before second lockdown

Local Authority	Feb-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	% Change in Volume Feb- Oct	Rank = % change out of 315 LA's in England
South Hams	125	470	430	415	232.0%	42
West Devon	90	290	270	270	200.0%	73
East Devon	240	715	635	630	162.5%	122
Teignbridge	290	810	765	745	156.9%	130
DCC Area	1,720	4,620	4,330	4,215	151.7%	n/a
Exeter	310	775	765	740	138.7%	162
Mid Devon	170	430	415	395	132.4%	170
North Devon	280	690	640	610	117.9%	198
Torbay	510	1,120	1,060	1,010	98.0%	246
Torridge	215	440	410	410	90.7%	259
Plymouth	1,270	2,355	2,330	2,275	79.1%	282
England	195,635	442,315	440,935	441,910	125.4%	n/a





# Current Reliance on – Furlough

- Reliance on furlough was still about 10% of eligible employments on 31 Aug
- Hospitality / Retail / Manufacturing key areas of concern
- For the 16-24 age group the furlough percentage is 13% due to the high percentage for this age group in hospitality and retail services.

AREA	CJRS (TOTAL)	CJRS (31 AUG)	ELIGIBLE EMPLOYMENTS	% FURLOUGHED TOTAL 2020	% FURLOUGHED 31 AUG 2020
Teignbridge	19,900	6,000	57,200	35%	10.5%
West Devon	6,700	2,200	21,000	32%	10.5%
England	8,067,700	2,647,500	25,577,800	32%	10.4%
Torbay UA	20,000	5,600	54,800	36%	10.2%
South Hams	11,700	3,400	33,300	35%	10.2%
East Devon	19,700	5,900	58,000	34%	10.2%
Torridge	9,200	2,600	25,700	36%	10.1%
Devon County	109,900	32,500	330,100	33%	9.8%
South West	808,900	243,500	2,517,000	32%	9.7%
North Devon	14,400	3,800	40,400	36%	9.4%
Exeter	17,400	5,300	58,200	30%	9.1%
Mid Devon	10,900	3,300	36,300	30%	9.1%
Plymouth UA	36,400	9,600	116,600	31%	8.2%





Key Messages

- Strong case from the modelling and the current situation that Devon's economy, will be significantly impacted and tourism areas to a greater degree than elsewhere given our structural make-up, demographics and underlying fragilities pre-COVID-19
- Gaps in support remain for tier 1 areas, small businesses and based on eligibility restrictions for self employed grants.
- Approach principle of being able to 'dial-up' activity to address particular sectors, places and people and locally deliver, recognising some interventions are pan-Devon
- Proposal being developed centres on packages of support over the immediate terms and next three years for:
  - SME Support
  - Green Recovery
  - Skills and Employment
  - Levelling up our places





## COVID-19 Literature Review

- In September and October, we (TDC) conducted a review of some of the key reports emerging from national and local sources in relation to the impacts of COVID-19, capturing the key themes, messages and commonalities.
- We drew from around 20 reports in total including:
- Reports from Teignbridge CVS (Monitoring Report, Looking to the Near future, and TDC CVS Priorities )
- Reports from Teignbridge CAB
- Devon Communities Together Report- COVID-19 Helpline Supporting Devon Town and Parish Councils, Village Halls and Community Buildings.
- Rural Services Network, COVID-19 Rural Communities Pulling Together- Case Studies from Across Rural England of how rural communities have worked together during lockdown.





# Reports from Teignbridge CVS

- CVS has provided a brokerage service for Teignbridge District Council, started at lockdown to enable TDC to have a single point of contact into the Voluntary Sector for Teignbridge Residents 7 days a week who contact their helpline.
- They have developed a number of thematic forums and networks (held digitally over Zoom) to meet the needs of Covid-19; these bring people and groups (some cross agency) together where there is a priority issue/concern and have been welcomed by groups as a way to better network and work in partnership.
- CVS supported some organisations to set up online work through financial support for hardware purchases, enabling them to run food services, community challenges etc.

Priorities:

Supporting the voluntary sector to move towards an interim 'norm'

Support more people who are lonely and isolated

Providers have seen benefits to delivering digitally, but that we need to support upskilling of workforce, residents and to supply equipment

Local is the solution that works and need Commissioners and Government to recognise that support, resources and services should focus on local.





# Reports from Teignbridge CAB

- The reintroduction of face-to-face advice and home visits to thier more vulnerable clients will require careful planning, as the safety of advisers and clients is paramount
- Reports highlight that the 3 enquiry areas most affected by COVID-19 being benefits and tax credits, Universal Credit and employment. More recently there has been an increase in demand for family and relationship advice and an increase in case complexity.
- As lockdown measures eased, the demand for their advice was noticeably increasing. The economic impact of COVID-19 is
  only just beginning to affect their clients, and we should prepare for a significant increase in employment enquiries in the
  coming months.
- Rise in grievance claims and employment tribunals specialist work required.
- Concern about unemployment following the end of furlough in March, housing and debt specific issues
- Felling of pent up demand- likely 60% increase in demand for debt advice in the coming months.





# Devon Communities Together

- Ongoing support needed to assist local councils to harness and mobilise the energy and enthusiasm of emergency
  response/ mutual aid group volunteers in local communities which otherwise may dissipate as lockdown measures are
  eased
- Need for greater connection with the bigger hubs for learning and sharing purposes. Thus, rural councils learning from, and connecting with larger councils/ other councils of the same size for more enhanced peer to peer support.
- Support for ongoing programme of focus group meetings undertaken by DCT, where local councils are able to engage with one another, peer network and share information and learning.
- Furtherance of resources for DCT through its ongoing resilience work, to continually provide support to communities who would like to update, formalise or begin developing a community emergency plan.





Rural Services Network, COVID-19 Rural Communities Pulling Together- Case Studies from Across Rural England of how rural communities have worked together during lockdown.

- Quality broadband required. Although promised through 'Connecting Devon & Somerset' since 2017, our community still
  musters less that 1Mb. This is difficult in normal times, but with the entire community at home, with school and
  University students requiring access for learning, and people working from home this needs addressing
- A national scheme to enable rural shops to set up wholesale accounts would be beneficial to ensuring the supply of high demand items
- Decentralise! When a fast response is required, smaller organisations can act faster and more accurately.
- More direct information and advice on key issues. For example the decision to close our public toilets and playpark was taken on the advice of our Vicar



