

## A Homelessness Strategy for North Tyneside 2023-2028

Our Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy will support the Council's ambition to **Building a Better North Tyneside** through contribution to the following Council Plan priorities:

- We will maintain the Council Tax support scheme that cuts bills for thousands of households across North Tyneside
- We will tackle health and socio-economic inequalities across the borough including through our Poverty Intervention Fund to tackle food poverty
- People will be cared for, protected, and supported if they become vulnerable, including if they become homeless
- We will support local community groups and the essential work they do
- We will work to reduce inequality, eliminate discrimination, and ensure the social rights of the people of North Tyneside are key to council decision making

### Our themes and actions

#### Ending Rough Sleeping

- Complete a comprehensive review of our rough sleeping support offer
- Introduce a new approach to data collection to inform our response to rough sleeping
- Research and introduce new approaches to prevent rough sleeping
- Explore options for expanding our night shelter provision

#### Our Accommodation Offer

- Review and improve our temporary accommodation offer
- Review options to further support households to successfully sustain accommodation
- Review our outreach support offer to ensure we continue to meet our clients' needs
- Work with specialist housing commissioners to identify further service needs
- Continue to improve the private rented offer and work collaboratively with landlords and tenants

#### Collaborative Partnerships

- Continue to strengthen our local and regional partnerships to tackle homelessness
- Work with our partners to identify further funding opportunities
- Actively promote homeless related services and signposting to partners
- Review our service information and ensure that it is accessible to all