# **Dewsbury & Mirfield**









What is strong? The assets active locally to support people to maximise and manage money for low income households; promote good mental health and emotional wellbeing; and encourage people to move more often.









### Starting well

Auntie Pam's Money Management event/BRASS Baby Cafes - set up as preventative. Safe and neutral spaces in libraries Children's Centres Advisory Groups Dews & District League of Friendship -Arts & Crafts

Buggy fit Baby yoga – Mini Me Time, Mirfield School money projects in Dewsbury Ravensthorpe - community centre young people Ravensthorpe Young people's centre providing Saturday afternoon drop in

Community learning projects - cooking

Schools as Community Hubs

**Dewsbury Rugby Club** 

Community links

on a budget

Living/ working well

Dewsbury Moor Rugby Club developed women's rugby **Dewsbury Park Run** Cycling on the greenways (street bikes) 3,2,1 routes for walking and jogging for local people to use Sports buddies - help to access activity Chair exercise - yoga - Mirfield Library Potential to develop park runs Welly Walk - Crow Nest Park Boothroyd Academy Provision of adult learning Fusion looking to set up volunteer hubs

Minster - free sandwich and hot drink

in Refectory (c. 12 people a day use it).

Travel companions - to access out and

Step by Step - transitional support.

about travel

## Ageing well

Christians against Poverty Home Heat Helpline Ravensthorpe and Hopton United Reformed Church coffee mornings attract older residents PKWA centre men's sheds project to reduce isolation, promoting interaction Libraries - Bibliotherapy work with those with dementia and learning disability Tea dances in town halls

### Across the life course (applies to all ages)

**Energy Saving Trust Advice Centre** 

CAP Money - Debt Courses in Kirklees The Pension Service Junk Food project Friends of Mirfield Library Local Welfare Team Lifelong learning - incl. cooking skills Greenwood Centre access to whole range of services. Thornhill Lees Mindfulness sessions Mirfield walking groups Friends of Mirfield Library are bringing

together 100's of local groups together Savile town – Kumon Y'All key group in bringing different communities together KAL - swimming Mental Health First Aid - 160 free places across Dewsbury and Mirfield. Thornhill: Four very well established sports groups Savile Town women's Association all sessions run by qualified local Asian females.

#### What assets could be developed? What sort of things might work? How could the people in need be reach?

Reduce stigma associated with food banks.

Needs more voluntary capacity to distribute unused food etc.

Need to stick around long enough to build connections and trust, etc. Developing Self Esteem in libraries Give it time.

Expand LAP across Kirklees in Libraries.

Citizens Advice queues

Using key members in communities to pass on/share information

Need Credit Union Money Management in schools/use school as

community hubs Need to give projects longer to succeed; build connections and trust Libraries - Ongoing Access needed

or joining things up.

Libraries can be a source of information on what's on offer locally. Good communications across services, organisations & groups

Support for families to eat better particularly in areas of deprivation Would be useful to know what is under threat in the area →

opportunity to amalgamate Fear of joining clubs

Lack of continuity of staff gets in way of helping make things happen Should be promoting social & cultural hub of community -Mirfield Library

Potential to develop school hubs and facilities

Assets should: Provide opportunities for people to have a say, Build people's skills and knowledge, Enable people to interact more with others, help build self resilience, be clear how people can access assets, communicate their offer to their target audience, be aware of barriers to access for people.