Sustainable Supported Housing
Government Perspective

The facts

- 4 billion spent on supported housing via the benefits system
- 30% increase in service charges since SP ring fence removed
- Un-regulated providers in market
- Housing Benefit has to go
- Supported housing provision very varied
- Benefit reform
- Want new supported housing

The perception

- No ‘cost’ controls - if eligible it’s paid
- Lack of transparency – variance across providers
- Poor public accountability
- No visibility on quality/value for money
- Inconsistent evidence of outcomes
- Social housing fosters dependency
- SH should be subsidised from healthy surpluses
How things stand

Challenges

- Future funding model – pulled developments
- LHA
- Welfare reform/Universal credit
- Confidence of Boards/lenders
- Changing/Increasing levels of need
- Austerity and service cuts
- Broken pathways, rationing and waste
- Fragmentation councils/NHS - silos
- Staff salaries, recruitment & retention

Opportunity

- Organisational commitment
- Developments and access to property
- LA relationships
- System redesign – ‘ethical commerciality’
- Place based service and community development
- Accountable Care Organisations/STP’s
- New housing solutions - self supporting communities
Our Ageing population

Our approach – promoting health, wellbeing and resilience

Our research – can we tailor our offer to promote better health

• ‘Health at Home’ Research
• ‘Welfare’ support
  - Wellbeing and health navigation
  - Handy person/home checks
  - Social inclusion
  - Preferential house moves
Senior living schemes
Extra Care
Extra Care plus - dementia/mental health
Intergenerational living schemes
Co Housing communities
Final Thoughts

- Prevention is key
- Nudge (shove!) people towards prevention and self management
- Look at system and how managing demand can increase cost
- Place based thinking and service collaboration essential