Homelessness Prevention Forum (quarterly)
Chair: Cllr Linda Hobson, Cabinet Member for Housing

Partners: Newcastle City Council (NCC), Your Homes Newcastle (YHN), supported housing / floating support providers, support agencies, stakeholder organisations

Coordinates prevention of homelessness activity across the city. Includes representation from debt, welfare benefits & financial inclusion agencies with recognition that prevention is an issue beyond housing Financial Inclusion Group (quarterly)
Chair: Cllr Joyce McCarty, Deputy Leader

Partners: NCC, YHN, advice & support agencies, voluntary & community sector organisations

Coordinates a citywide approach to financial inclusion; each meeting focuses on a different topic (e.g. child poverty, digital inclusion) & the work being done to promote financial inclusion in that area, as well as ideas for further development

Cross Council Migration Group (bi-monthly)
Chair: Neil Munslow, Service Manager: Active
Inclusion

Coordinates migration related activities across NCC to ensure a consistent response

Welfare Reform Board (quarterly)
Chair: Tony Kirkham, Director of Resources

Partners: Department for Work & Pensions (DWP), NCC, Newcastle Council for Voluntary Service (NCVS), Newcastle Futures, YHN

Provides leadership for the city's overall response to the Government's welfare reforms by maintaining oversight of & reviewing existing & new challenges; the impact on residents, the Council & other organisations; & how we are responding to enable routine reporting to Cabinet

Newcastle Advice Compact (monthly)
Chair: Neil Munslow, Service Manager:
Active Inclusion

Partners: NCC, JCP, citywide advice and support providers

Coordinates use of face to face advice & promotes consistent communications, standards & advice across the sector with the aim of reducing confusion & duplication

Private Rented Liaison (monthly: internal; quarterly: external)

Chair: Neil Munslow, Service Manager: Active Inclusion

Partners: Changing Lives, Citizens Advice Newcastle, NCC, Shelter, YHN

Coordinates Interventions List & Prohibition Orders Protocol, access & resilience initiatives in the private rented sector North of Region Homelessness Operational Group (quarterly) Chair: Rotating, currently Catherine Hattam (Gateshead Council)

Partners: Durham County Council,
Gateshead Council, North Tyneside
Council, Northumberland County Council,
NCC, South Tyneside Council,
Sunderland City Council

Examines frontline operational issues for homelessness services, sub-regional trends in homelessness, training needs & opportunities, & acts as a forum for sharing good practice among partner authorities

YHN Liaison, Homelessness, Debt & Welfare Rights (quarterly)
Chair: Gill Simm, Housing Advice & Assessment Manager

Partners: NCC, YHN

Reviews how the ASWs, Money Matters team & Welfare Rights Service work together, including practice issues, evidence of what works well & identifying opportunities for improvement Gateway User Group (quarterly)
Chair: Sophie Reid-McGlinn, Senior
Active Inclusion Officer

Partners: NCC, referral agencies, supported housing / floating support providers

Addresses issues from Newcastle Gateway users & acts as a user forum for development of the system

Multiple Exclusion Common Case Management Group (weekly) Chairs: Rachael Hope, Community Safety Specialist – Drugs

Partners: Changing Lives, NCC, drug & alcohol treatment providers, probation services, supported housing providers

Coordinates support & accommodation responses for adults with multiple needs who are at risk of exclusion & harm

Supported Housing Move-on Panel (monthly)

Chair: Debra Shiel, Lead Practitioner -Complex Needs

Partners: NCC, supported housing providers, YHN

Coordinates moves to independence & links providers with floating support

Temporary Accommodation Move-on Coordination Meeting (monthly)

Chair: Gillian Simm, Housing Assessment

& Advice Manager

Partners: NCC, YHN

Coordinates the transition of households who are owed the full homelessness duty from temporary accommodation to YHN tenancies

Temporary Accommodation Progress

Meeting (weekly)
hair: Penny Brunton, Tempor

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Partners: NCC, Children North East, Northumberland Tyne & Wear NHS Foundation Trust

Coordinates support for households in temporary accommodation, focussing on housing, income, health & needs of children

Sustaining Tenancy Meeting (as required)

Chair: (relevant YHN Tenancy & Estate Manager)

Partners: NCC, YHN and other relevant agencies as applicable

Coordinates support for households facing eviction and whether any additional support could reduce the risk of eviction.