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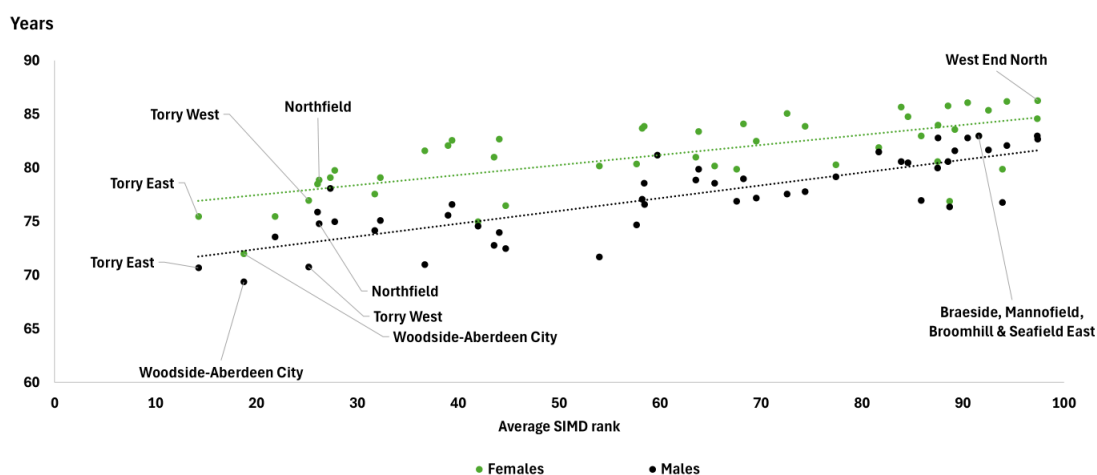
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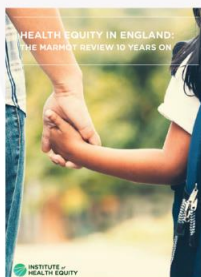
A Service Update is provided to the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee on the participation of Aberdeen City Council in the “Collaboration for Health Equity in Scotland”. The Collaboration for Health Equity in Scotland is a new partnership between Public Health Scotland (PHS), University College London’s Institute of Health Equity (IHE) - a leading global Health Institute led by Professor Sir Michael Marmot - and 3 Scottish Local Authorities, NHS boards and Community Planning Partnerships. These being Aberdeen City, North Ayrshire and South Lanarkshire. Its focus is on strengthening and accelerating action to improve health and reduce health inequalities in Scotland. Insight and learning from the Collaboration will be shared and used to support work across the whole country.

The local collaboration with Aberdeen City launched on 24th February, attended by a number of elected members. In Aberdeen City work will focus on inequalities across communities in the city, in particular linking with workstreams in place in the Torry and Northfield areas. The graph below provides an illustration of the variation which exists across the city when examining the Scottish Indices of Multiple Deprivation and life expectancy, for both females and males. This highlights what is already well known that health and life expectancy is closely linked with levels of deprivation.

Life expectancy and average SIMD rank, male and female, years, Aberdeen City intermediate data zones, 2017-21



Professor Marmot and the Institute of Health Equity have been working with a number of local authorities in England, Wales and internationally with the aim of improving health and reducing health inequalities, focusing on the “Marmot Principles” set out below.



Marmot Principles

1. Give every child the best start in life
2. Enable all children, young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives
3. Create fair employment and good work for all
4. Ensure healthy standard of living for all
5. Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities
6. Strengthen the role and impact of ill health prevention
7. Tackle racism, discrimination and their outcomes
8. Pursue environmental sustainability and health equity together

Aberdeen City Council already has a focus on the social determinants of health and the significant role which local authorities can play in affecting these determinants. This collaboration with Professor Marmot and his colleagues as well as Public Health Scotland will provide further resource, expertise and focus, along with our existing Health Determinants Research Collaboration Aberdeen.

We anticipate the Collaboration engaging with existing related Council and Community Planning programmes of work and initiatives such as Homeward and the Fairer Futures Pathfinder. Already the Council and its committees have begun to seek input from Professor Marmot and his colleagues e.g. in their consideration of the draft Local Housing Strategy, the Resettlement Delivery Plan and the Council Delivery Plan. This will continue as the Council works to update the Local Outcome Improvement Plan; Locality Plans, the Local Development Plan and other significant strategic documents. As well as this ongoing close working, a number of specific engagements and outputs (reports and recommendations) will be delivered through the Collaboration which will be shared appropriately with Elected Members.