



10 Year Health Plan

Ambulance Leadership Forum

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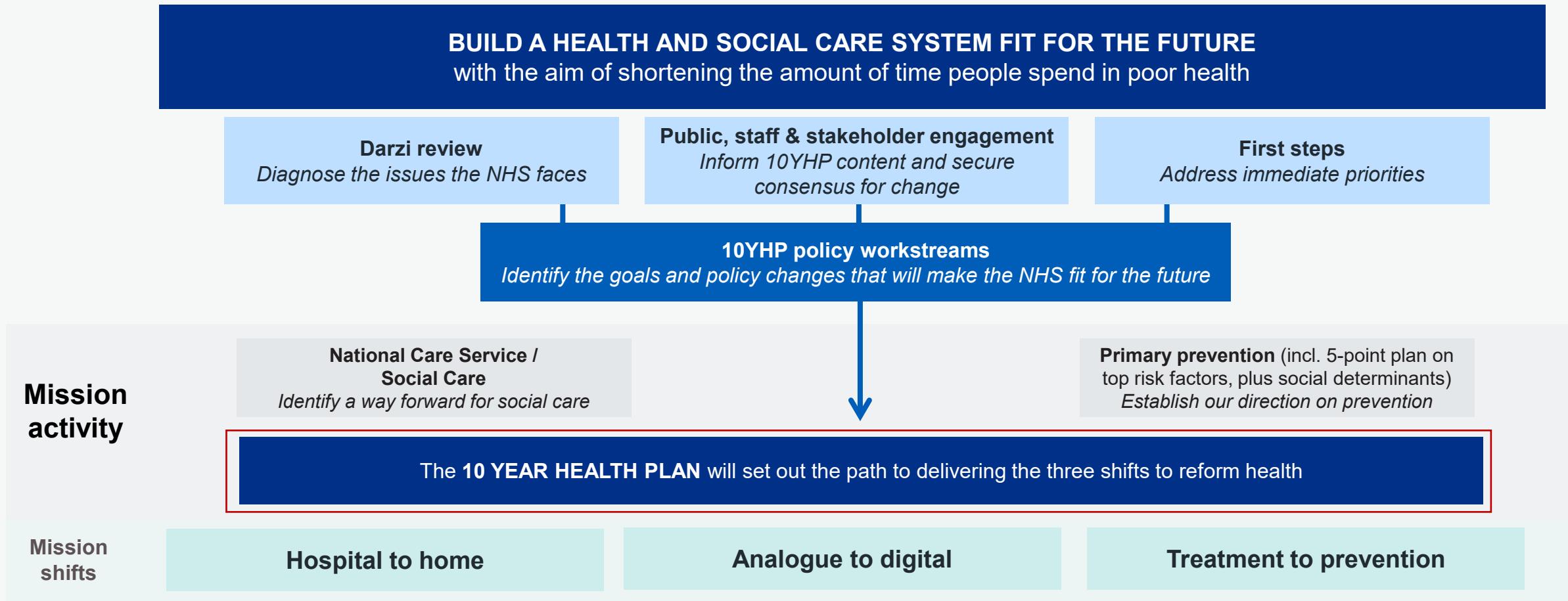
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health service
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The 10 Year Health Plan is part of the government's health mission to build a health service fit for the future



The 10 Year Plan will focus on making the big three shifts to transform healthcare

Hospital to Community

“Too many people end up in hospital, because too little is spent in the community.”



Analogue to digital

“Parts of the NHS are yet to enter the digital era.”



Sickness to prevention

“Many of the social determinants of health ... have moved in the wrong direction.”



We want this engagement exercise to be different

We want the 10 Year Health Plan engagement exercise to mark a **step change in the relationship between the NHS, health staff, the public, and government.**

Despite broad consensus over the past two decades, the **three shifts have not been made. We need to try a different approach.**



1. Put the public and health staff at the centre of the policy-making process.
2. Provide unprecedented levels of transparency.
3. Leave a local legacy.
4. Target under-represented communities.



Change NHS is driving the largest ever national conversation on the future of the NHS



Over **75k**
Survey responses

Over **11,000**
Ideas submitted



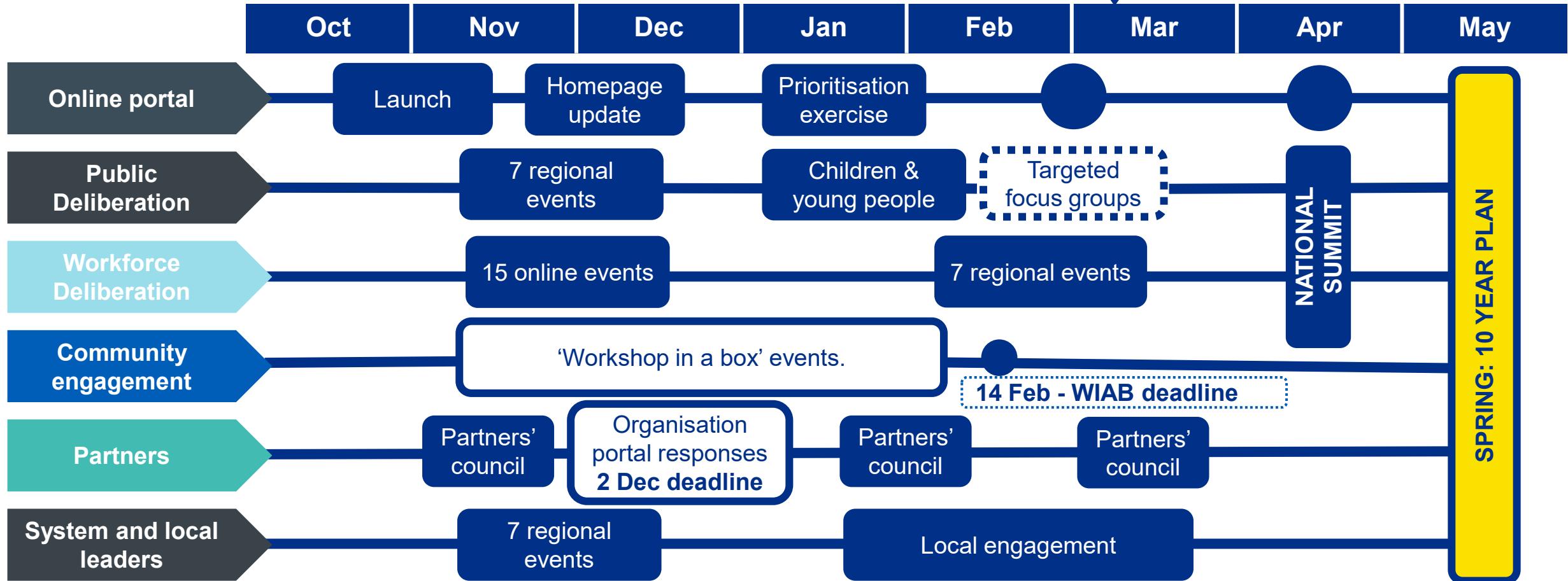
Over **1,600**
Organisation
responses

Over
1.5
million
visits

Over **8,000**
Staff & patient
experiences



The engagement exercise will run through the spring of 2025



Emerging themes from the public and staff

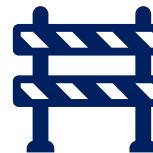
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People are **proud** of the NHS and support its core principles, but it is not getting the basics right.



Those who have a greater interaction with the NHS often feel that their care is **un-coordinated**



The most cited challenge amongst the public is **access**, particularly to GP services, A&E and dentists.



Staff feel that growing demands and **limited resources** affect their wellbeing and ability to maintain professional standards.

**While there is general consensus around the three shifts,
there is concern about how they'd be delivered**

Hospital to community

Requires careful implementation:
Effective triage processes, shared clinical records and sustainable funding

Analogue to Digital

Prioritise the foundations before more innovative solutions: shared digital records and up to date tech for staff

Sickness to Prevention

Taking a wider approach: interventions in non-healthcare settings and tackling root causes of poor health



Key themes from Ambulance Services & Leaders



Ambulance Delays & System Bottlenecks

Handover delays at hospitals are causing ambulance backlogs, leading to slower response times and patient safety risks. Addressing this requires better hospital flow and social care investment.



Rethinking Ambulance Service Commissioning

A shift towards hear-and-treat and see-and-treat models would improve efficiency and reduce unnecessary hospital admissions.



Improving Workforce Wellbeing

Ambulance staff face high physical and mental health demands. Proactive staff health measures, career development, and support systems are essential for a sustainable workforce.



Fair Access to Capital Investment

Ambulance services struggle to secure capital for infrastructure, fleet renewal, and NetZero commitments. A fairer capital allocation process would support long-term sustainability and services.

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Key themes from Ambulance Services & Leaders: Hospital to Community

01

Public Understanding & Access to Care

Many patients call 999 or visit A&E due to a lack of awareness about alternative services. Public education and clearer pathways into community care are key to reducing demand on emergency services.

02

Consistent Access to Alternative Pathways

Community care options vary widely by location and time of day. Standardising access to virtual wards, urgent care teams, and social care would improve patient outcomes and system efficiency.

03

Paramedics as Key Community Providers

Expanding paramedics' roles, including prescribing and advanced diagnostics, would allow them to treat more patients at home, reducing unnecessary hospital visits and improving localised care.

04

Care Coordination Hubs

Multi-agency hubs integrating ambulance, primary, and community care would reduce hospital admissions and improve patient transitions across services.

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Vision – What do people want?

Enabling – How do we get there and how do we make change happen?

Consolidation – Will these actions deliver the vision?

Vision workstreams

Vision Working Groups submitted their final reports to DHSC on 20 Dec.

1 **I can stay healthy and manage my health in a way that works for me**

(Ravi Gurumurthy, Nesta & Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy, DHSC)

3 **My care is integrated around my needs, and I am listened to**

(Caroline Abrahams, Age UK & Dr Claire Fuller, NHSE)

2 **I can access the high-quality and effective care I need, when and where I need it**

(Louise Ansari, Healthwatch & Dr Dame Emily Lawson, NHSE)

4 **I am treated in a fair and inclusive way, irrespective of who I am**

(Jacob Lant, National Voices & Professor Bola Owolabi, NHSE)



Common themes of change from vision working groups



increased patient agency, empowering people to better manage their own health, and incentivising the system to prioritise this



maximising the use of technology, including expansion of the NHS app to support increased patient control and choice, and maximising use of shared data for both patients and staff



a more equal partnership between clinicians and patients, enabling a fundamentally different and modern relationship between citizens and health services



an expanded role of the VCSE in service delivery, to support a genuine shift of services, resources and workforce out of hospital and into the community



delivering equity as a reality, increasing our focus on the most deprived areas where we know health inequalities are greatest, and involving organisations from a wide range of communities to better meet patient needs.





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Enabling workstreams

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People

(Alison Griffin, London Councils & Gavin Larner, DHSC)

4

Data and technology

(Dr Tim Ferris, Harvard Medical School, & Ming Tang NHSE)

2

Finance and contracting

(Bill McCarthy, Leeds Trinity University & Julian Kelly, NHSE)

3

Physical infrastructure

(Simon Linnett, formerly chair of Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS FT & Emily Curtis, DHSC)

5

Research, life sciences and innovation

(Professor Lord Darzi, Imperial College London & Dr Vin Diwakar, NHSE)

6

Accountability and oversight

(Rob Webster CBE, West Yorkshire ICB & Matthew Style, DHSC)

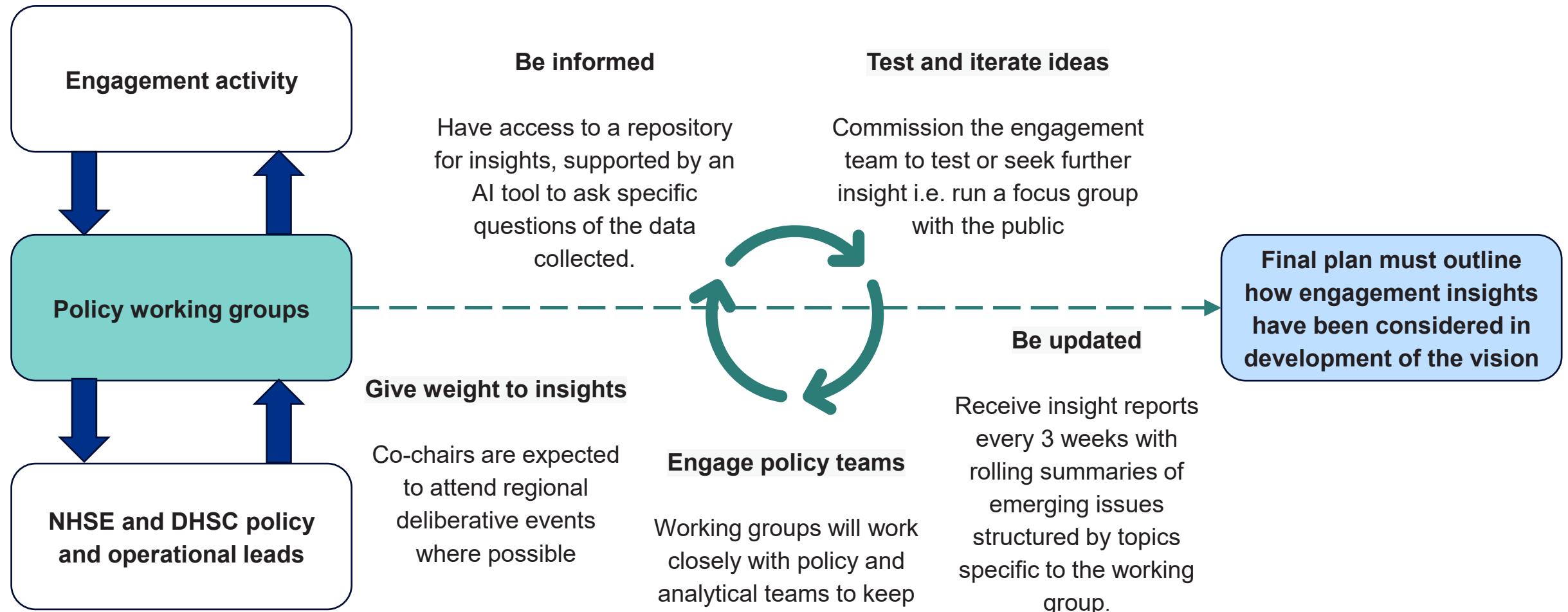
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Mobilising change

(Joanna Killian, LGA & Sally Warren, DHSC)



There will be a continuous feedback loop between the working groups and the engagement exercise to ensure the plan has strong public legitimacy





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