



supporting partnership working

Quick overview of the Compact



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What today will cover:



- What is the Compact ? - short presentation setting context for the day
- Bringing it to life: Experiences from Watford and Three Rivers Trust
- Five reasons to work in partnership to improve health outcomes
- Roundtable discussions: sharing experiences
- Revisiting expectations and an open Q&A session

Show of
hands:

who has
heard of the
Compact?



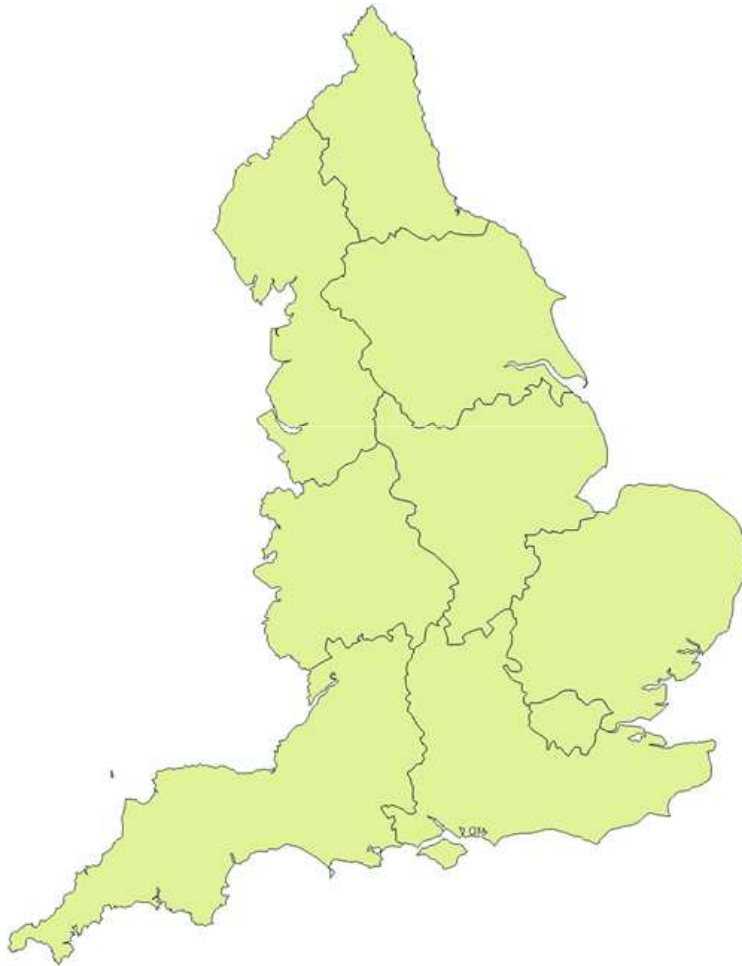
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What is the Compact?



- Agreement between government and the voluntary and community sector
- Sets out principles and commitments
- Applies only to England
- Establishes a framework to support good cross-sector partnership working

Local Compacts



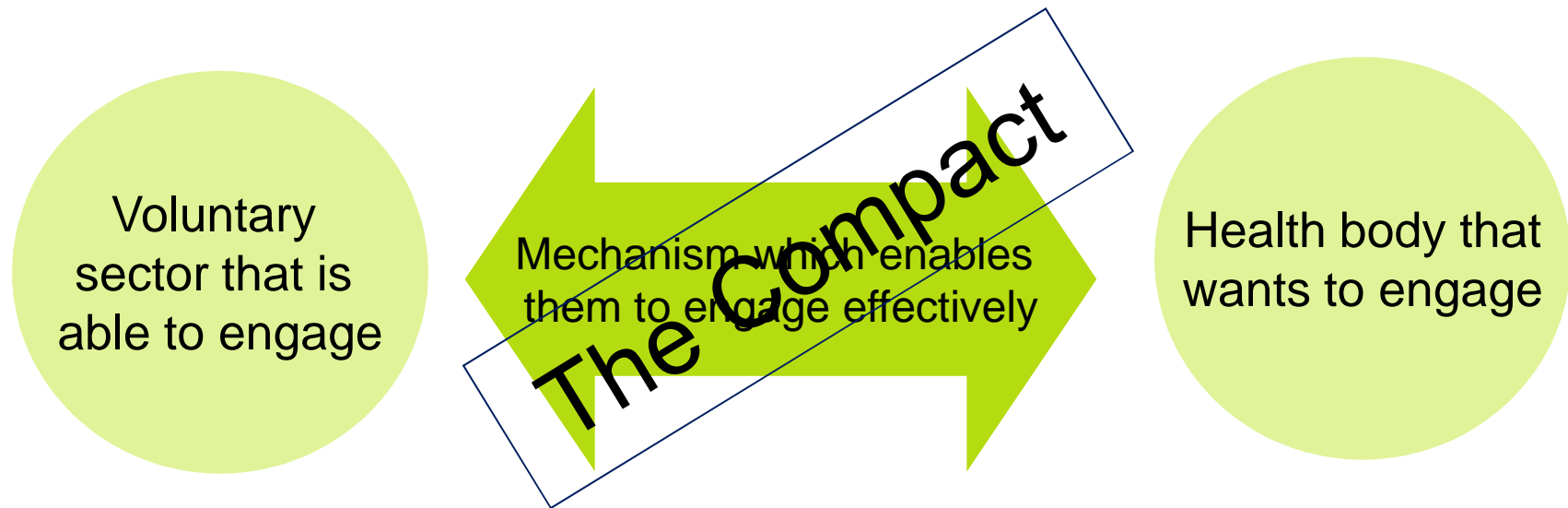
- 165 local Compacts across England
- 97% of local authority areas have a local Compact
- Many are based on the principles of the national Compact
- Strong example of localism in action
- Local Compact groups support local partnerships

Compact Principles



- Independence and the right to campaign
- Consulting with charities when developing policies
- Supporting charities to deliver projects and services
- Understanding the impact of changes to funding and other forms of support
- Protecting and considering disadvantaged groups

Why do we need a Compact?



The Compact and partnerships in health



Bob Jones,
Watford and
Three River
Trust



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15 minute break



Five reasons for public bodies to work with voluntary organisations



- **Expertise**
- **Value driven**
- **Innovation**
- **Preventative services**
- **Contact with underrepresented groups**

Roundtable discussion



- What is your experience of working with health bodies / the VCS
- What is the biggest challenge?
- What can you do to overcome it?
- 30 mins discussion, 15 mins to feedback **Compact** voice

How can you embed the principles of good partnership working?



- Commissioning plans
- Establish routes to communication
- Get new partners to sign the Compact
- Other levers
- Talk to Compact Voice!

Revisiting expectations



- Let us know if there are any burning issues we haven't discussed:
We can follow these up with you after the event
- Any other questions?

Thank you for coming along!

Please fill out an evaluation form

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