Health Inequalities:
the Marmot
Community, Tartan
Rug, and Increasing
Equality Commission





'Fair Society, Healthy Lives' the Strategic Review of Health Inequalities (Feb 2010) – The Marmot Review

- Commissioned by the Labour Government in 2008, the Marmot Review identified the causes of health inequalities and set out an approach to reducing inequality.
- With the coalition government taking power later in the year,
 Marmot's proposals were only implemented in a limited way
- A 2020 (pre-COVID) update of his report demonstrated that levels of inequality had increased during the past decade
- A further update 'Build Back Fairer' (December 2020) added evidence that COVID-19 had further widened the gap
- In response the Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership agreed to become a 'Marmot Community' and use the Marmot findings to inform local efforts to reduce inequalities.
 This work is being supported by the Institute of Health Equity.



Making the connections

- Cheshire East Place is part of the HCP 'Marmot Community' and will be using the data pack and recommendations from the Institute of Health Equity to inform our work to reduce inequalities.
- The Tartan Rug is a visual representation and summary of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment that provides the evidence of need within the borough.
- Based on the evidence of the previous (2017) version of the Tartan Rug (and its underlying evidence base), the Health and Wellbeing Board established the Increasing Equality Commission in October 2020.
- The Commission has focussed upon Crewe because of the strongly evidenced level of inequality within the town and is preparing a long term strategy that will set out recommendations to reduce those inequalities over a 10 year period.
- The Commission's recommendations will be influenced by the Marmot Community work and the Commission (on behalf of the H&W Board) has oversight of the C&M Marmot Community activity.

