

## Action on ACEs Gloucestershire

### Plan on a Page

The strategy outlines a route towards achieving a *resilient Gloucestershire where communities and organisations are acting on ACEs*.

We want to build a social movement that recognises the potential lifelong impacts of adversity in childhood and catalyses action on ACEs to ensure we respond to current harms and break the intergenerational transmission of harms.

In order to achieve this we have identified the actions we will take to

- raise **awareness** of ACEs
- to ensure individuals, communities and organisations can **talk about** ACEs
- **take action** to stop the damage ACEs do and also to **build resilience** around ACEs.



## **Our Strategic Objectives**

1. We will raise awareness and understanding of ACEs with communities and organisations through delivery of a co-ordinated local campaign
2. We will implement training to equip communities and organisations to respond appropriately to ACEs
3. We will continue our partnership work with communities and organisations to build resilience through encouraging trusted relationships and developing core life skills
4. We will develop relevant resources and information for people identified with ACEs who need signposting to further sources of support
5. We will increase our understanding of the distribution of ACEs across Gloucestershire
6. Organisations will incorporate ACEs informed approaches into relevant organisational policies, strategies and contracts
7. We will evaluate interventions and share good practice and positive outcomes from ACEs work across Gloucestershire, the South West and beyond

## **How will we measure progress?**

The strategy and its impact will be monitored by the Health and Wellbeing Board and partners. Communities and organisations signing up to the strategy will be encouraged to consider how they will chart their own progress and share their stories.

## More than ACEs Conference – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**More than ACEs** was the first major conference held by Action on ACEs to launch its strategy. Almost 250 professionals and community organisations attended to hear from local, national and international speakers on 8th November in Cheltenham. The themes of the day were captured by a graphic artist, below.



The event included the first public Gloucestershire screening of the Resilience documentary, and featured two leading speakers on ACEs; Janine Roderick, Director of Public Health and Policing at Public Health Wales; and Benjamin Perks, UNICEF representative and Senior Fellow at Birmingham University. Alongside this, four local case studies shared their experience and expertise.

Go to our website for information: <https://www.actionaces.org/conference/>