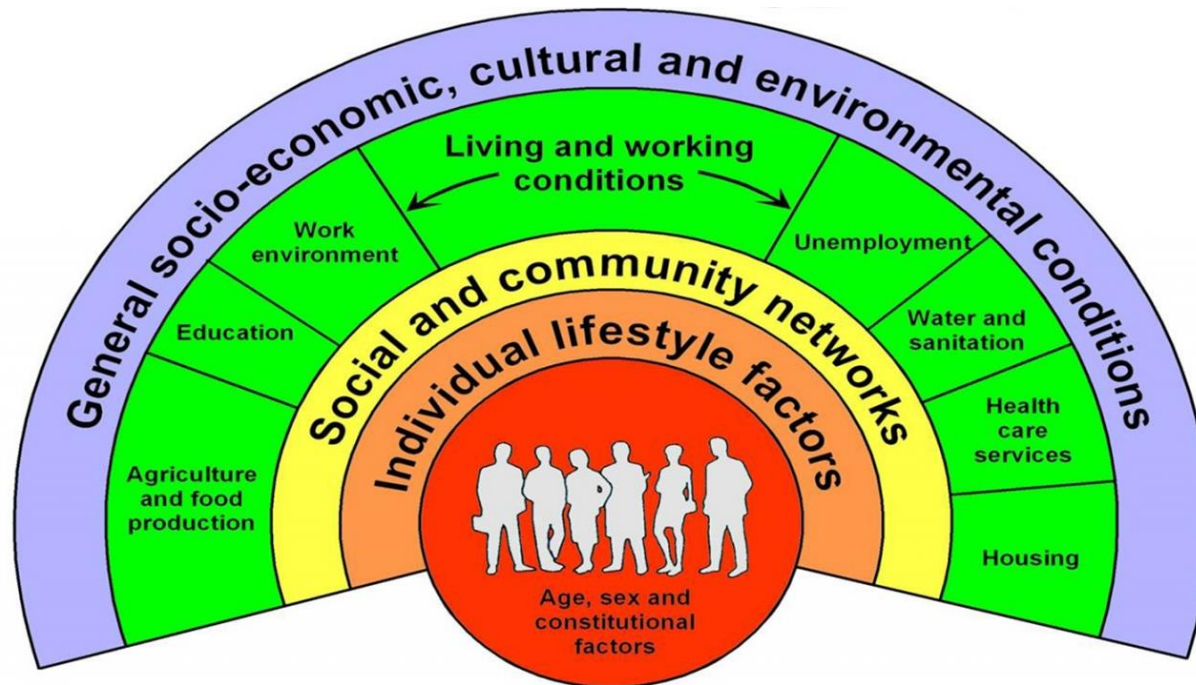


# PUBLIC HEALTH IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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# WHY DO PUBLIC HEALTH IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES?



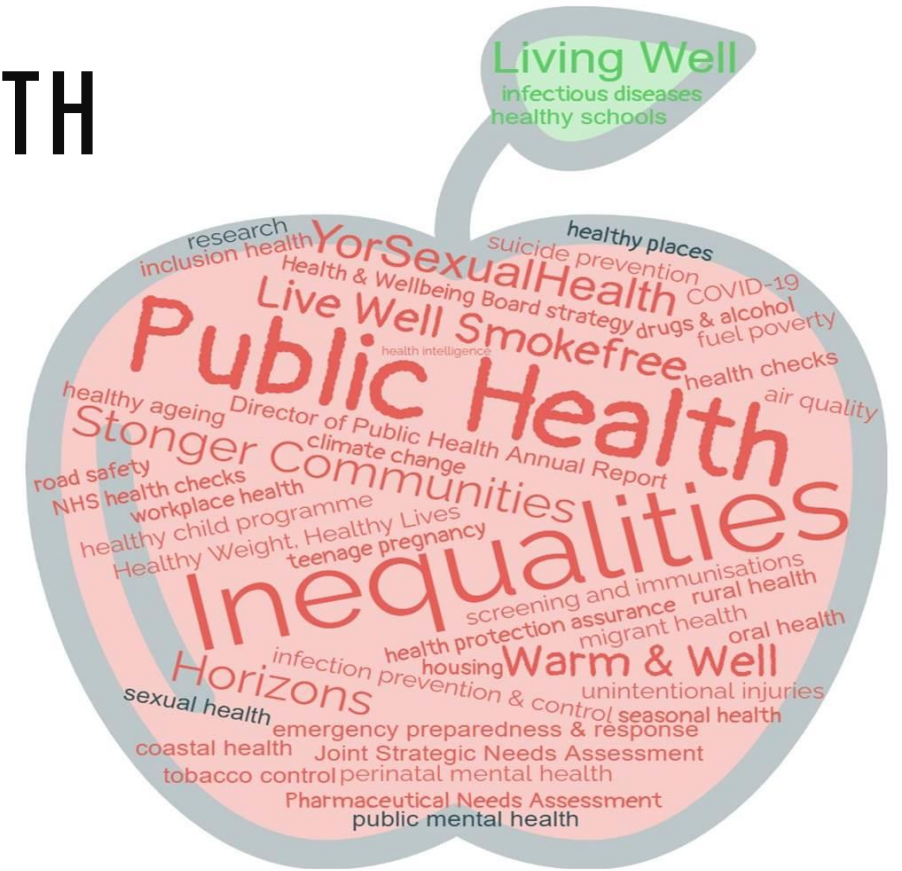
Source: Dahlgren and Whitehead, 1991

Directors of Public Health and teams moved back to local authorities as part of 2012 Health & Social Care Act:

- population focus
- ability to shape services to meet local needs
- ability to influence wider social determinants of health
- ability to tackle health inequalities

# LOCAL AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEALTH

- Commission services e.g. NHS Health Checks
- Reducing health inequalities
- Health protection assurance
- Communications
- Research and workforce development
- Life course approach
  - children & young people
  - working age
  - older people
- Provide health intelligence
- Embed health in local strategies



## Public health grant

Prescribed functions e.g. national child measurement programme

Non-prescribed functions e.g. workplace health

# THE PUBLIC HEALTH TEAM (NY)



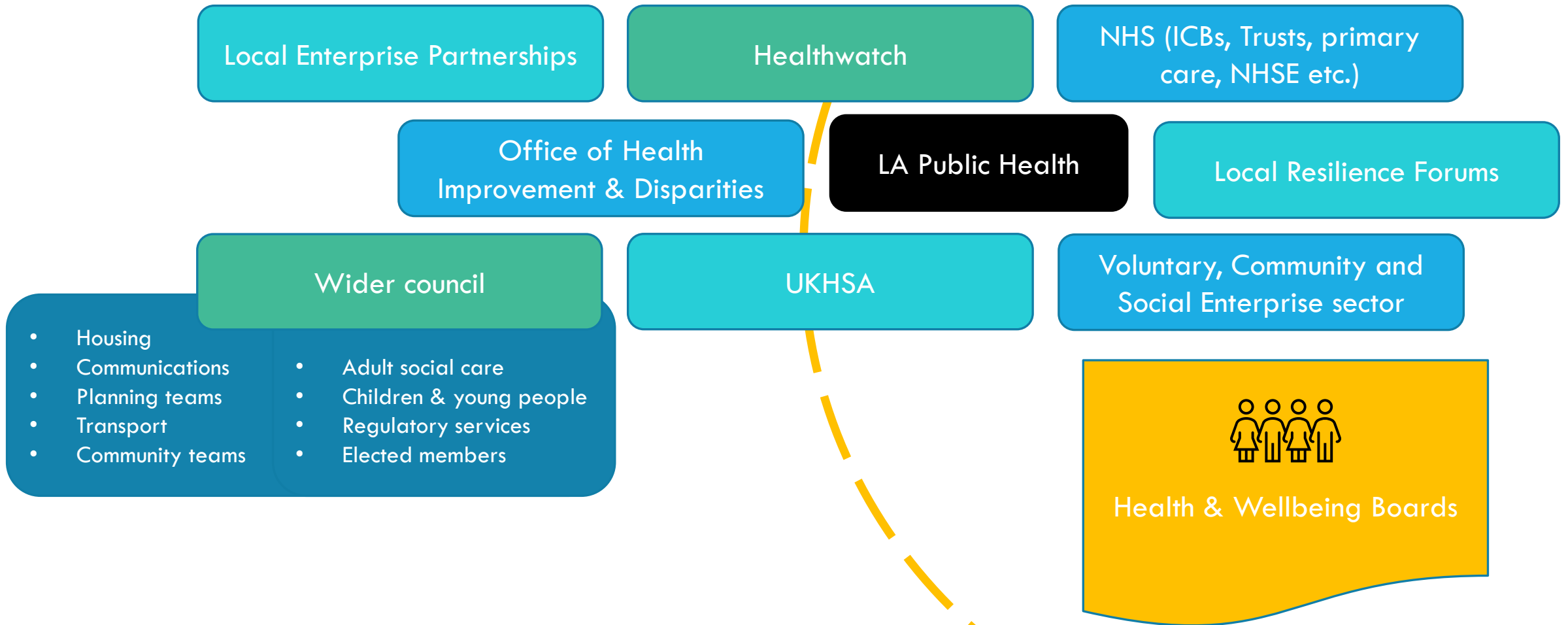
## Core public health staff

- Director of Public Health
- Public Health Consultants
- Public Health Managers
- Public Health Officers
- Graduate trainee
- PH apprentice
- PH intelligence specialists

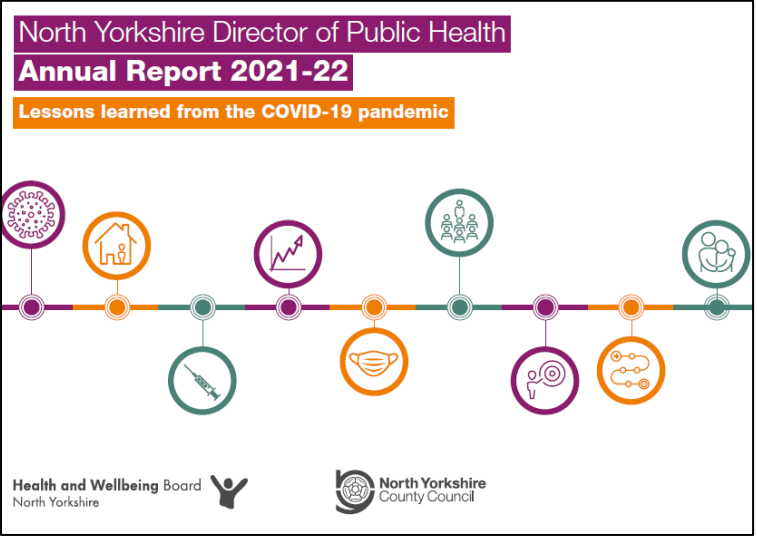
## Wider staff working on PH

- Environmental health
- Communities teams
- Children & Young People's Services
- Teachers
- Sport & fitness staff
- Welfare & housing officers
- Trading Standards officers

# PARTNERSHIP WORKING



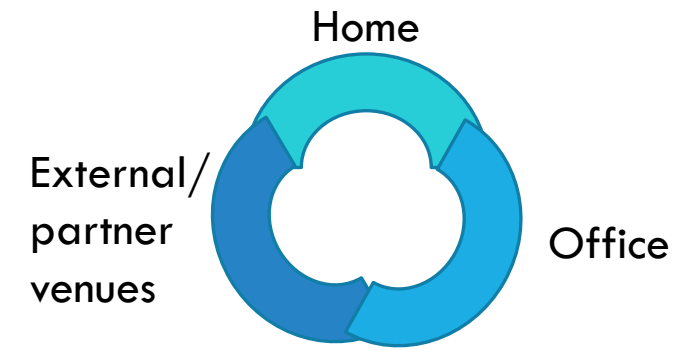
# DPH ANNUAL REPORTS



<https://www.nypartnerships.org.uk/dphar>

(other local authorities will have their own!)

# TYPICAL DAY



## Some things I have done in the last week:

- Helped run an exercise with the Local Resilience Forum to test our Infectious Diseases Plan
- Took part in leadership team discussions on budgets and service transformation
- Chaired discussions with NHS and partners on infection prevention and control
- Shared learning from our recent work on a migrant health needs assessment
- Caught up with UKHSA colleagues about ongoing health protection incidents in NY
- Discussed suicide prevention and wider mortality work with the coroner's office
- Took part in annual staff appraisals
- Discussed occupational vaccine requirements with our health & safety team
- Replied to lots of emails!!