



Healthy place

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Why is this an important issue for health and wellbeing in Tower Hamlets?

- **Environment or place has direct and indirect impacts on health:**
 - Exposure to pollutants in air
 - Restriction on active travel
 - Poor quality housing
 - Poor physical infrastructure (open space / roads)
- **Effect of unhealthy place may be higher in TH due to**
 - high levels of deprivation
 - densely populated
 - Limited connectivity
- **To ensure a healthy place we must ensure we make the best use of limited space**
 - During a time of increasing population
 - To overcome a current deficit
 - During continued redevelopment and growth

What is currently being done to improve outcomes?

Building a clear strategic direction with an evidence base

- Local Plan
- Open Spaces Strategy – open spaces audit
- Leisure Facility Strategy / sports Participation Strategy
- Green Grid re-development
- Transport Strategy
- Borough wide and local redevelopment of Town Centre Strategy and Vision

Building liveability into a local place

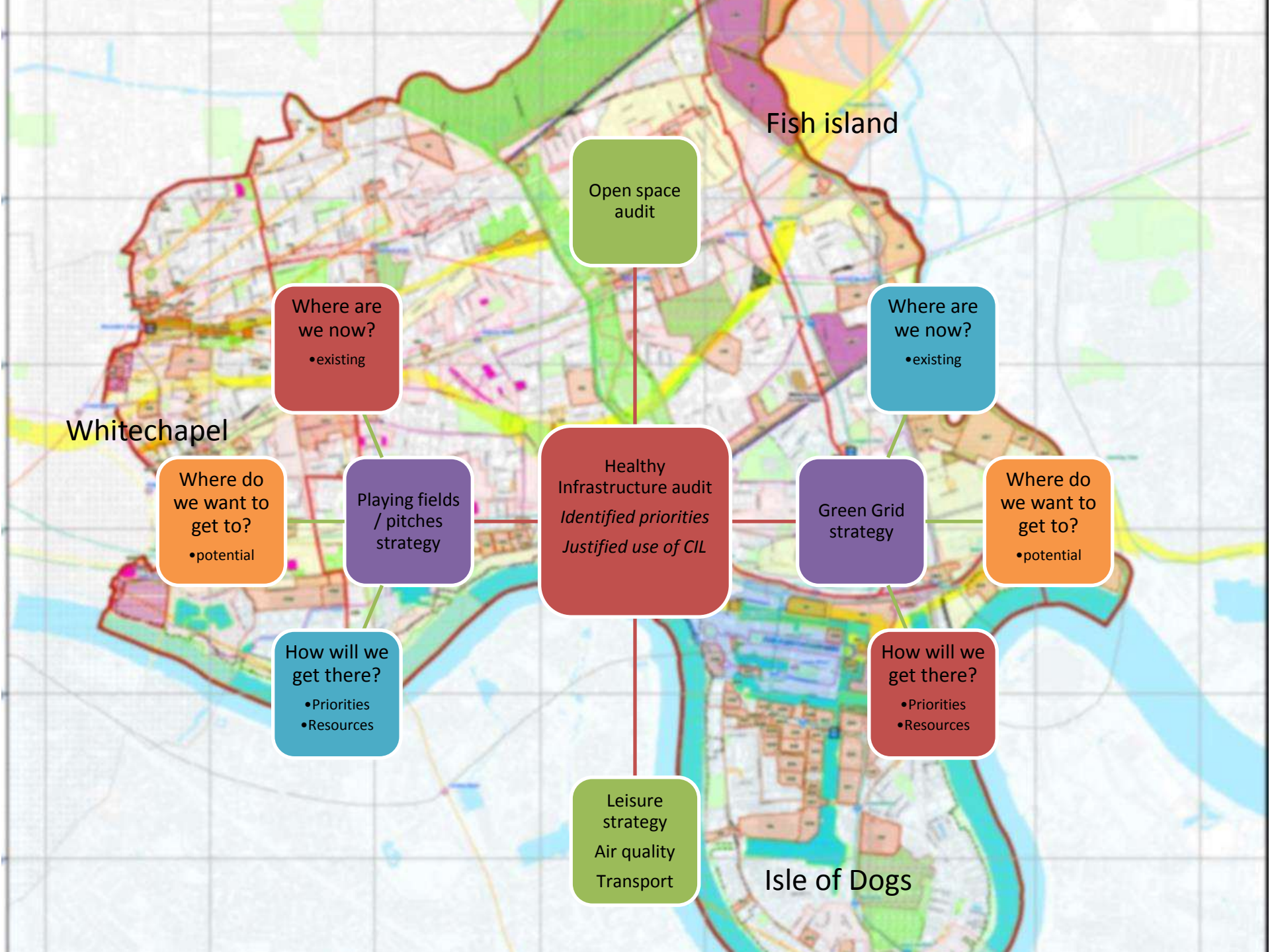
- Pocket Parks
- Local Presence
- Heathy Living Hubs
- Healthy food environment

Where would we like to be in 3 years (vision statement)?

1. Healthy place is embedded in the Local Plan and delivered through the policies
2. 3 clearly defined local places with place based principles
 - clear function, quality and value of open spaces in those places
 - Places could be defined by areas of growth, deprivation, function
 - Connectivity and sense of place felt by residents
3. Health Impact Assessment embedded into the routine assessment of policies for their health impacts (including scrutiny)
4. Strategic investment made in:
 1. Open spaces
 2. Better connectivity of spaces
 3. Managing air quality
5. % of CIL secured for Better place priorities
6. Neighbourhood plans that are aligned with the Healthy Place priorities and contribute to the evidence to support this
7. Air Quality Improvement Plan

Within this area, what does the Health and Wellbeing Board need to focus on?

1. Overarching Campaign to promote this objective with clear intentions and messaging
2. Help drive and position the Green Grid
3. Ensure Health Impact Assessment is core part of O&S
4. Make a healthy place a priority for policy decision
 - CIL
 - Parking
 - Air Quality
5. Support / commission work to develop the evidence to make the business case



Whitechapel

Fish island

Isle of Dogs

Open space
audit

Where are
we now?
•existing

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Where do
we want to
get to?
•potential

Playing fields
/ pitches
strategy

Healthy
Infrastructure audit
Identified priorities
Justified use of CIL

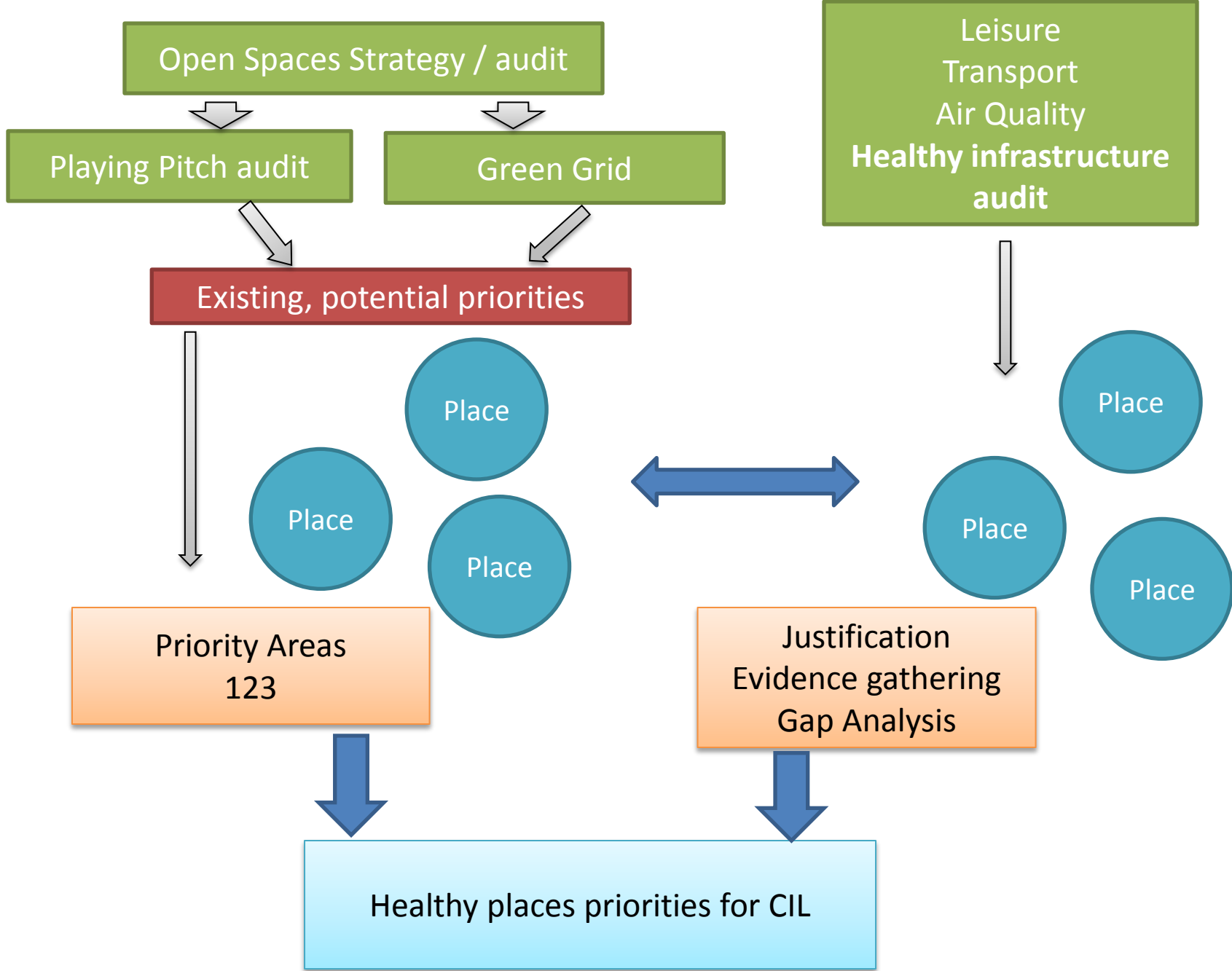
Green Grid
strategy

Where do
we want to
get to?
•potential

How will we
get there?
•Priorities
•Resources

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Leisure
strategy
Air quality
Transport



What are the top areas of action that the Board needs to focus on over the next 12 months to drive transformational change (max 2) and why?

1. Developing strategic priorities for CIL in relation to Healthy Place (this will be key to aligning strategies and priorities across key service areas – coherent not in silos)
2. Developing a council wide policy on Health Impact Assessment
3. Developing a fuller action plan for the next 3+ years (as planning process is of long duration)

What is required to make this happen?

1. Getting the Boards agreement on priorities and direction of travel for the Healthy Place objectives
2. Prioritising resources - CIL & S106
3. Prioritising Liveability agenda in policy decisions

What are the top indicators that the Board needs to track (max 3)?

Health outcomes may have too long a lead time to be directly attributed to “healthy place” but the following could be used as indicators towards which Healthy Place could make a contribution.

1. Annual increase on the provision of quality and function of open space
2. Annual resident survey on open green spaces
3. Look to a logic model of the project to establish proxy/intermediate outputs / outcomes
4. Develop a survey on increase in physical activity such as walking to create a baseline

Any other thoughts?

The Health and Wellbeing Board should pick up Air Quality as an overarching priority and develop an Air Quality Improvement Plan