

### What our client wanted

Failures in Rotherham MBC highlighted in the Jay and Casey reports resulted in suspension of the council and imposition of commissioners to run the council. The commissioner required the Rotherham Health and Wellbeing Board to revisit its strategy and what it wanted to achieve as part of the rebuilding of public services in Rotherham.

### What Frontline did

We facilitated the re-establishment and development of the health and wellbeing board. Over the course of our facilitation, we focused on:

- identification of, and agreement on, shared priorities
- the development of relationships among the board members and organisations
- analysis, review and insight to board self-assessment

We also shared with the board our experience in working with a wide range of health and wellbeing boards across England, focusing on vision and priorities for the board, how it will leverage its influence, and the roles to be played by individual members. We also worked closely with the Local Government Association in its support role to the board.

### What difference we made

During the period of our facilitation the commissioner handed over chairing of the board to Rotherham MBC and the board published its revised health and wellbeing strategy for implementation as part of a revived Rotherham.

### What our client said

*"The Rotherham HWB was reconstituted during 2015 and we realised there was a need to refresh the local vision and strategy. The board was fully committed to partnership working and integration but wanted support to work through some of this. John's work helped us focus our minds on the key issues, on the overarching strategy, and on how to develop constructively our partnerships. The success can be seen from the fact our Integrated Health and Social Care Place Plan, developed through the HWB, is seen as an exemplar of good practice and external reviews have praised the work of our HWB, including the excellent partnerships."*

Cllr David Roche, chair of the HWB