



## Thames Valley's Health and Life Sciences Working Group

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026 (11:30 – 14:30)  
100 Longwater Avenue, Green Park, Reading, RG2 6GP

### Agenda

Item	Timings
<b>Welcome from the Chair</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Sue Staunton</a>, Managing Partner, James Cowper Kreston</li> </ul>	11:30 - 11:40
<b>Women's Health (WH) Strategy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Jane Lewis</a>, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer, ABHI</li> <li>• <a href="#">Katherine Edwards</a>, Director of Patient Safety and Clinical Improvement, Health Innovation Oxford and Thames Valley</li> </ul>	11:40 - 11:55
<b>Reframing Care Around Women: Policy Challenges and Opportunities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Emily Mitchell</a>, Head of Therapeutic Areas Public Affairs, Bayer UK</li> </ul>	11:55 – 12:05
<b>Showcasing good practice in Menopause and delivering HMG intentions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Dr Shilpa McQuillan</a>, Clinical Lead and Director of the Berkshire Menopause Clinic, and NHS Clinical Lead of Women's Health Services Berkshire West</li> </ul>	12:05 – 12:15
<b>Facilitated Q&amp;A with above</b> , led by Sue Staunton, followed by open forum/Q&A	12:15 - 12:35
<b>Breakout Session 1:</b> Women's Health Strategy - what are the key issues/topics and opportunities to advance Strategy aims, objectives and goals	12:35 – 13:05
<b>Breakout Session 2:</b> Identifying good practice and demonstrative initiatives / innovative implementation (showcasing the Thames Valley)	
<b>Breakout Session 3:</b> Working Group priorities (2026/27)	
<b>Light Lunch and Networking</b> <a href="#">Matt Harvey</a> , LSIP Employer Engagement Officer (TVCC), will be available during lunch for informal conversations about LSIP deep dive interviews	13:05 – 13:35
<b>Insights from Breakout Groups</b>	13:35 – 13:50
<b>Member Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitated by <a href="#">Gareth Ralphs</a>, TVCC</li> </ul>	13:50 - 14:15
<b>Sustainability in Health Tech</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Freya Thomson</a>, TVCC and <a href="#">Emma Rowbottom</a>, Government Affairs Researcher, ABHI</li> </ul>	14:15 - 14:20
<b>Working Group Updates and AOB</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gareth Ralphs and Sue Staunton</li> </ul>	14:20 - 14:30
<b>Thank you, close and further networking</b>	14:30
<b>2026 Meeting dates</b> (venue as above - Green Park, Reading), <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Wednesday</a> 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026 (11:30 - 14:00)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Wednesday</a> 21<sup>st</sup> October 2026 (11:30 - 14:00)</li> </ul>	