

Handypersons Financial Benefits Model

Overview of tool and guidance

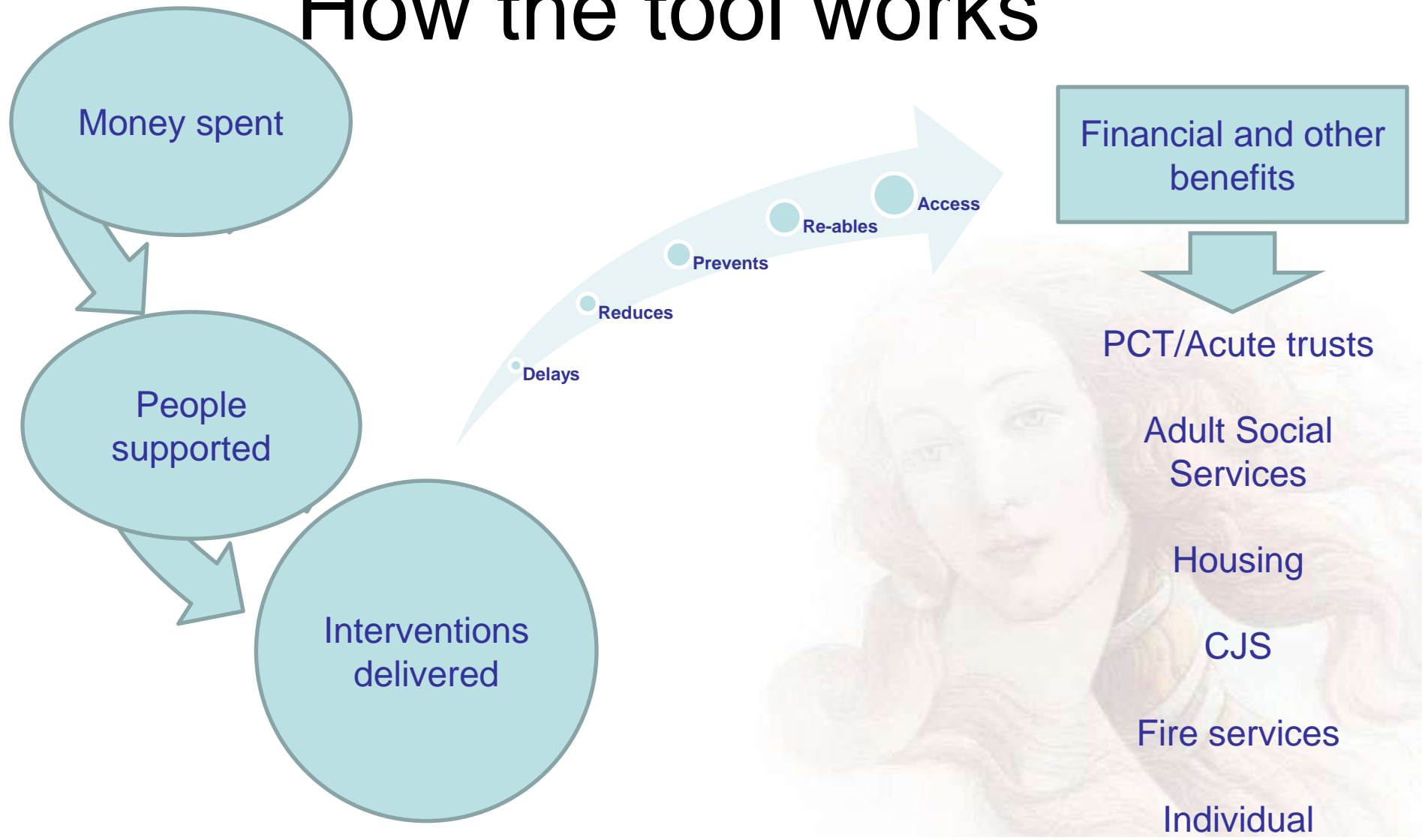
Background

- Handypersons developed over time
- Different schemes across England
- CLG funding
 - Paid to SP admin authorities
 - Two years, £35m
- Home Office funding
 - Paid directly to voluntary sector providers
 - One year, £6.5m

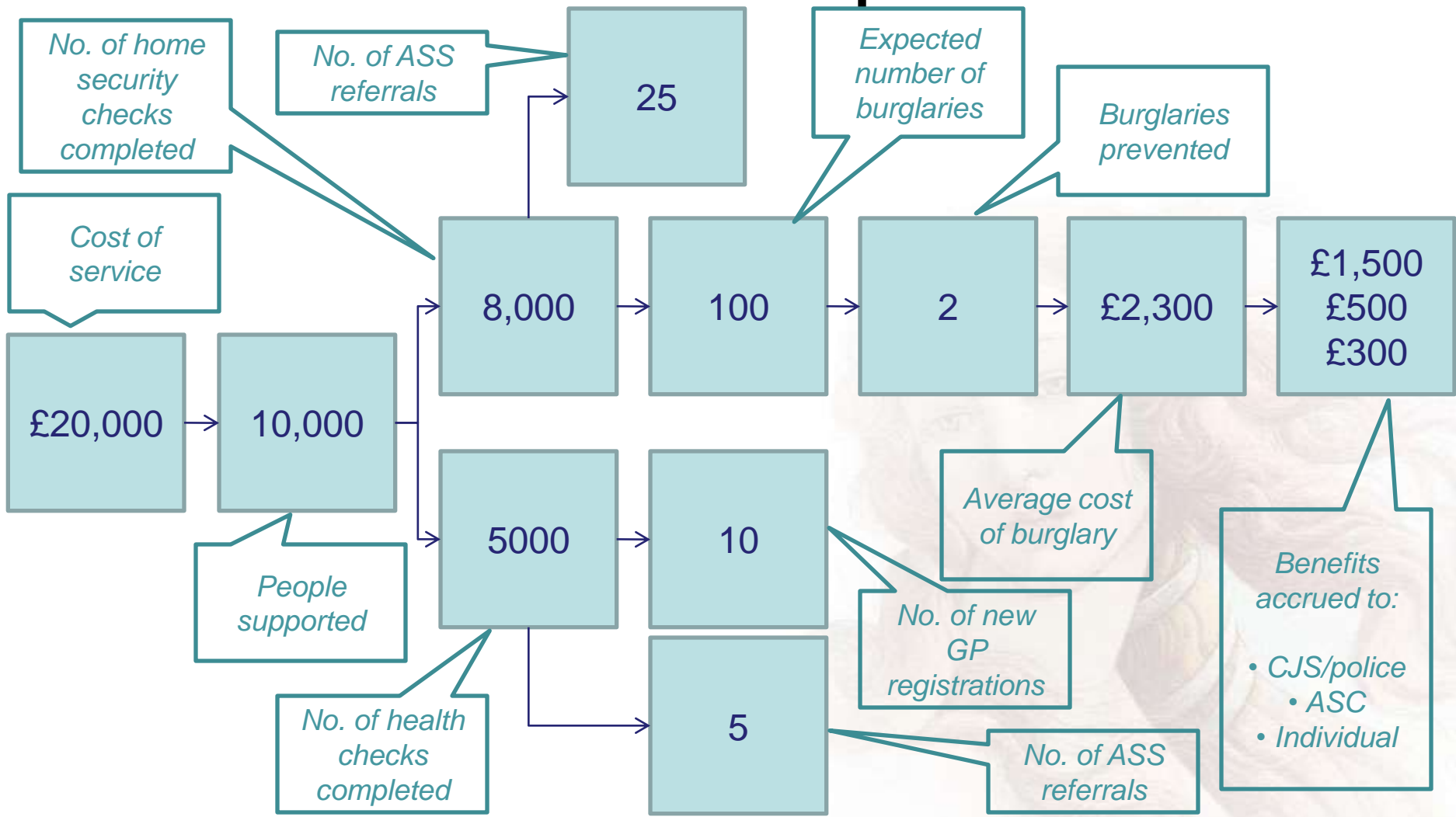
Aims and objectives

- Sustainability
- Robust, defensible, useable
- Simple and effective
 - Different service models
 - Existing evidence base
 - Benefits not savings
- Economic and non-economic benefits
- Useful and used

How the tool works

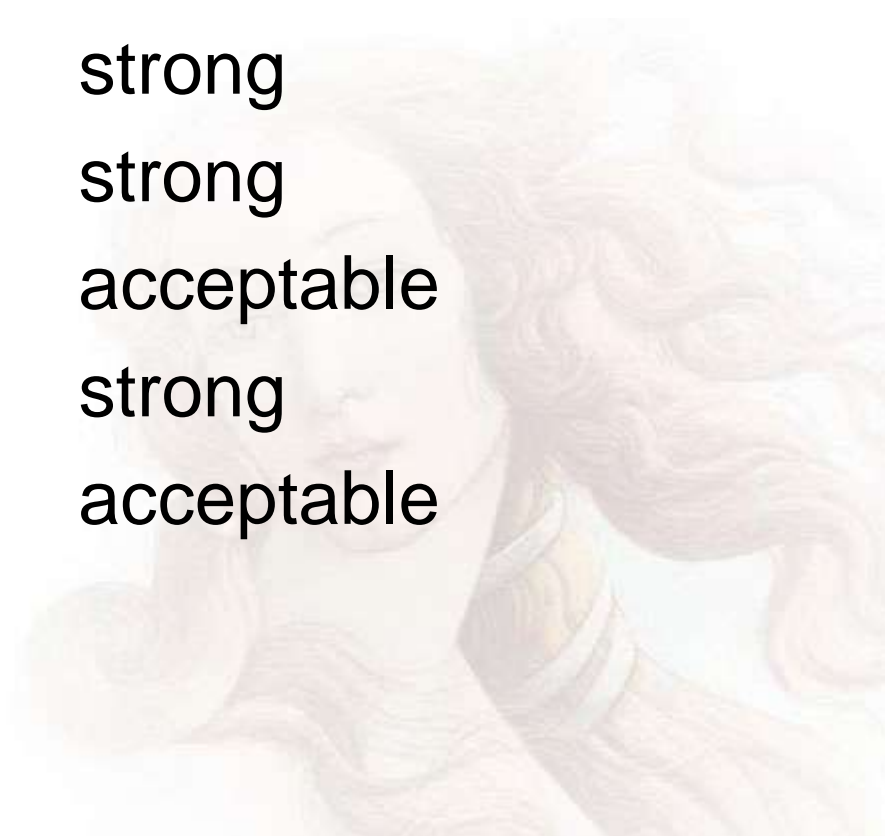


Basic example



How the tool works

- Evidence
 - Falls strong
 - Burglary strong
 - Independent living acceptable
 - Fire strong
 - Energy efficiency acceptable



How the tool works

- 2010 prices base (three years)
- Costs avoided
 - Incidence – impact
 - No counter-factual
- One year
- Household = one person
- No second order costs/benefits
- Conservative assumptions

Guidance

- Tool (model) and toolkit (guidance)
- Three parts:
 - How to use the tool
 - The underlying evidence
 - How to build a business case



Caveats and limitations

- Uncosted benefits
- Negative benefit ratio
- Gaps in evidence
- Use of assumptions:
 - Impact
 - Checks
- Benefits not savings
- Not VfM or CEA



Using the toolkit

- CLG website
- Conference
- Cassiopeia Consultancy

