

## Appendix 1: Health Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro Forma

*Where a joint health overview and scrutiny committee makes a report or recommendation to a responsible person (a relevant NHS body or a relevant health service provider [this can include the County Council]), the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 provide that the committee may require a response from the responsible person to whom it has made the report or recommendation and that person must respond in writing within 28 days of the request.*

*This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.*

### **Issue: Director of Public Health Annual Report**

#### **Lead Cabinet Member(s) or Responsible Person:**

- Ansaf Azhar (Director of Public Health).
- Donna Husband (Head of Public Health Programmes).
- Frances Burnett (Public Health Registrar).

It is requested that a response is provided to each of the recommendations outlined below:

**Deadline for response:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025.

#### **Response to report:**

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### Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (including if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale.
1. For the Public Health team to provide details of how system partners will work with schools to improve children's emotional wellbeing and mental health.	Partially accept	The Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2024-2030 has a Start Well priority about children and young people's emotional health and wellbeing and mental health. There is also a priority about financial wellbeing and healthy jobs which supports those young people who are looking for employment. This recommendation can be taken forward by the Health and Wellbeing Board to monitor action across the partnership.
2. For clarity to be provided on who will have responsibility for implementing each of the recommendations being made in the DPH annual report.	Partially accept	The Public Health team are presenting the Director of Public Health Annual Report to stakeholders across the system with a view to then encouraging organisations to act based on the evidence and findings within the report.
3. For there to be greater collaboration and sharing of ideas between communities for the purposes of improving health and wellbeing at the local community/neighbourhood level.	Accept	Collaboration across the Oxfordshire system is essential to create opportunities to innovate and improve outcomes for health and wellbeing in local communities.