

Divisions Affected - All

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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CHAIR'S REPORT OF THE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD 10TH FEBRUARY 2022

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RECOMMENDATION

1. The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note the content of the most recent Health Improvement Partnership Board meeting on the 10th February and the Board's contribution to the implementation of Oxfordshire's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Background

2. The Health Improvement Partnership Board (HIB) has identified 3 priority topic areas to focus on;
 - (a) Tobacco Control
 - (b) Mental Wellbeing
 - (c) Healthy Weight and Physical Activity
3. Action on these priority areas is supported by an approach which is focused at addressing health inequalities and taking a preventative approach in all we do.
4. The most recent meeting of the HIB was on 10th February 2022. The HIB receives updates on all of the priority areas at each meeting but selects one for a more in-depth look each time. Full agenda and papers are available at; <https://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=899&Mid=7019>

Tobacco Control

5. An update on the implementation of the Oxfordshire Tobacco Control Strategy was received. Progress against the 4 pillars of work (Prevention, smokefree environments, enforcement, supporting smokers to quit) was noted and the Board welcomed the reduction seen in smoking prevalence in Oxfordshire as a whole, among routine and manual workers specifically and that smoking in

pregnancy remains below our local 6% target. This all supports the progress to achieving a smoke-free Oxfordshire by 2025.

Mental Wellbeing

6. Having had a deep dive on emotional and mental wellbeing at the previous meeting in November 2021 this was not specifically addressed at the 10th February meeting. However, the Board is mindful of the interconnected nature of physical inactivity/unhealthy weight and mental ill-health, with the former being discussed in detailed at the February meeting.

Healthy Weight and Physical Activity

7. The Board received a deep-dive performance report on this topic (see appendix 1), an update to the development of a Whole Systems Approach (WSA) to healthy weight and the draft Oxfordshire Food Strategy;
 - (a) Performance in both rates of obesity and physical activity for Oxfordshire are good and compare better than national averages. However, the Board noted the variation with the county, with some areas- particularly when looking at childhood obesity- clearly having much worse outcomes. It was also noted how performance had worsened during the pandemic
 - (b) The WSA to healthy weight is progressing with work focus on: healthy weight environments, prevention, support services and system leadership/ partnership work. The action planning under these 4 areas aims to deliver improvements in the data noted in the performance report
 - (c) The draft Oxfordshire Food Strategy being developed by Good Food Oxfordshire was discussed and the role that it can play to improve outcomes for residents in terms of relieving food poverty, improving nutrition, reducing the carbon footprint of food and helping people achieve a healthy weight was welcomed.

Additional items and Future meetings

8. The next meeting of the HIB will take place on 19th May 2022 with subsequent meetings in September and November 2022. The Board will continue to work on progressing delivery against its priorities through “deep dives” on performance on its priority areas and reviewing progress on partnership work.

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Appendix: Deep dive performance report on Healthy Weight and Physical Activity

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