

A whole system approach to physical activity in Oxfordshire





















Whole system approach to physical activity

Components:

- Expanded YouMove and Move Together programmes to include maternity & Early Years
- Physical Activity training for health and social care professionals
- Active Travel Community Outreach in priority neighbourhoods
- Expanded social movement to increase activity levels through multiple partners taking action

Approach:

- Fully collaborative together with ICB, County and District Councils; Public Health; Home Starts
- Place based and focused on tackling health inequalities
- Cross theme collaboration e.g. food access, green space and environmental improvement



Progress so far – Social Movement

Together, we have:

- Supported 470 children from priority neighbourhoods to learn to swim and 3,800 school aged
 children now have access to discounted swimming lessons
- Launched a Falls prevention campaign
- Delivered two Active Neighbourhood Scans in priority neighbourhoods and raised £40,000 of match funding
- Developed a new working group for deploying volunteers in health pathways



Progress so far – Social Movement

"OOTM has enabled more connections with partners and more collaboration. I have joined a falls prevention campaign working group which are meeting face-to-face later this month." **79%** of partners are now working with other organisations to encourage people to become more active

100% of responders confirmed they have made changes in how they support people to be active as a result of OOTM



Achievements to date

Utilisation of health services

Participants recorded **36% fewer GP appointments** in the 4 weeks prior to their 3-month review, compared to in the 4 weeks before their initial assessment.



This can be translated into a saving of 4 GP appointments per participant per annum.

There was a **28% reduction in 111/OOH demand** in the 4 weeks prior to 3-month review compared to initial assessment.

Participants reported **12% fewer falls**.



Achievements to date

Children achieving CMO guidelines





Ambitions

Move Together:

- Increasing the reach to 6300 residents over next 3-years.
- Extending the pathway to support maternity, mental health, disabilities and anchor institutions.

YouMove:

• Increasing the reach over 3-years to 18,000, including Early Years, working together with Home-Start.

Social movement:

- A continued sense of ownership for partners
- 3 working groups fully established in 2024: Falls Prevention, Swimming & Volunteer deployment
- Further cross theme working in green prescribing, food access and tackling the climate emergency



Stories of change

"I have made some friends and connections, coming to class twice a week. When I leave the room I am the happiest I am all week, it's the happiest I ever am, I feel so lifted by it."

"When I move everything gets better"