

Response to OX12 Task and Finish Group report

A report was presented to Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board on 30 January 2020 setting out the results of the OX12 project. The report provided a summary of the project, its findings and learning from applying the Health and Care Needs Framework for the first time. This was followed with a report to Oxfordshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 6 February 2020.

The acceptance of this report by the Health and Wellbeing Board marked the completion of this project. The project highlighted two areas for further work:

- To test the feasibility of the ideas and opportunities that resulted from the application of the framework; aligning them with existing priorities and plans for Oxfordshire and those of the partner organisations. These tests of feasibility were to include ensuring that an idea was clinically viable, operationally deliverable (particularly in terms of space for services), financially affordable and would deliver a measurable benefit for people in OX12.
- 2. To review Wantage Community Hospital Beds. Based on the work of the project there was no compelling case for reopening the temporarily closed beds. Further work was required to test this.

These pieces of work were being formulated in early 2020 when the emerging COVID-19 pandemic began to make itself felt in Oxfordshire and the work had to stop.

The outcomes of the OX12 report marked a point in time. As highlighted in the paper presented on the Community Services Strategy the work to take this forward is now encompassed in that programme.