

**An update of the work of the Health Improvement Board
Report to the Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board
July 2016**

The Health Improvement Board (HIB) has held 3 workshops with a range of partners since the last report to the Health and Wellbeing Board. It has also met once to conduct its ongoing business of implementing the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy in public.

A summary of the business of these meetings is given below.

1. Healthy Weight Strategy Workshop –April 2016

A range of partner organisations joined members of the HIB to discuss priorities for helping the population of Oxfordshire achieve and maintain a healthy weight. A range of informative presentations included the latest data on the local situation and some examples of good practice already underway.

Discussion groups focused on healthy eating, physical activity and environmental factors which can promote healthy weight (such as infrastructure that promotes cycling and walking, for example). The participants then discussed practical ways in which schools and workplaces can be used as settings for promoting healthy weight initiatives.

The priorities discussed have been drafted into action plans for all partners to implement and will be monitored at the Health Improvement Board.

2. Housing Related support workshops, April and June

Members of the Health Improvement Board have met twice in closed session with District and County Council portfolio holders for housing / social care. With input from officers they have discussed collaborative working on issues related to housing and homelessness in the county. Officers are working on detailed plans which will be made public in the autumn.

3. Health Improvement Board meeting, 7th May 2016

The Board met to discuss the final draft of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy in the light of the end of year performance report for 2015-16. They were also able to examine the housing related indicators that are reported twice a year and take stock of the changes in the report in the last year. A paper setting out details of young people's supported housing pathway was also discussed. The agenda for the meeting also included the draft Healthy Weight Action Plans already referred to, above.

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