

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: Oxfordshire Healthy Weight

Lead Cabinet Member(s) or Responsible Person:

- Derys Pragnell (Consultant in Public Health)
- Ansaf Azhar (OCC Director of Public Health)
- Claire Gray (Public Health Practitioner)
- Angela Jessop (Personalised Care Lead BOB ICB)
- Alicia Siraj (Head of Health Promotion, Health Prevention, and Personalised Care BOB ICB)

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

Deadline for response: Monday 10th February 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.
<p>1. To explore support to local businesses supplying food in the takeaway market to provide healthier offers that meets both business and health needs. It is recommended that effective measures are adopted to address the concerns of local takeaway businesses about losing business in the event of switching to healthier food products.</p>		
<p>2. To support food banks and larders in providing healthier food options; and for there to be further liaison and cooperation between the County Councils' Public Health Team and food larders and banks. It is recommended that there is further celebration of the role of volunteers and voluntary sector organisations in this regard.</p>		
<p>3. For the development of clear and measurable KPIs so as to evaluate the impacts and progress of the work to promote healthy weight.</p>		

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<p>4. For there to be clear communications as soon as possible with residents as to the benefits and risks associated with obesity medications, especially for anyone who has not been encouraged to lose weight by their GP and is considering buying weight loss drugs privately or online without medical supervision.</p>		
<p>5. For there to be clear mapping and identification of individuals with comorbidities. It is crucial that there is ongoing coproduction of healthy weight services that would include input from those with comorbidities or from vulnerable population groups.</p>		
<p>6. For system partners to work collaboratively to promote greater physical activity amongst residents of all ages. It is recommended that consideration is given to launching a public event to celebrate good practice in schools around promoting eating well and moving well. This could help to raise awareness of the importance of healthy eating and physical activity for all children.</p>		