

**Oldham Borough Council
Record of Decision**



1. **TITLE:** Life course oral health investment

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Public Health

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

The previous Oral Health Strategy (2018–2021) focused on oral health promotion and prevention for 0–5-year-olds in Oldham. Following completion of an oral health needs assessment for the Oldham population in 2025, which identified oral health need across the life course, a strategic decision was made to expand current oral health promotion activity based around 4 key areas: 0-5 years, vulnerable groups, the oral health/ food environment and the oral health system. This paper outlines recommended evidence based oral health promotion activity in line with the newly established Life Course approach.

4. **DECISION MADE BY:** Director of Public Health

5. **DECISION:**

RESOLVED - That: The Public Health settlement will fund a range of evidence-based activities that promotes good oral health in identified at risk groups.

6. **REASON FOR DECISION**

To identify oral health needs across the life course, a strategic decision was made to expand current oral health promotion activity based around 4 key areas: 0-5 years, vulnerable groups, the oral health/ food environment and the oral health system. This report informs that course of action.

7. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Option 1 - preferred Option - the Public Health settlement will fund a range of evidence-based activities that promotes good oral health in identified at risk groups.

Option 2 - to not invest in oral health promotion and leave at risk groups without interventions that would improve their oral health.

8. **INTERESTS AND NATURE OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

None

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** N/A

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Life Course Oral Health Investment