

Oldham Council Policies and Strategies

Appendix 1

| Service | Title | Description |
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| Children's Social Care | Family and Friends Care Policy | This policy describes how the Council will assess and provide help to family and friends who become carers for children who cannot live with their birth parents. |
| Children's Social Care | Looked After Children Commissioning Strategy | The purpose of this strategy is to set out how Oldham Council will meet the placement needs of current and future children in care and care leavers and improve their outcomes considering our understanding of their needs and current provision. |
| Children's Social Care | Residential Services | This document sets out a vision for residential children services across Bury, Oldham and Rochdale councils. The vision covers all residential services including children's homes, emergency temporary accommodation, supported accommodation and residential short breaks for disabled children. |
| Children's Social Care | Youth Justice Strategic Plan | The Youth Justice Strategic plan sets out the strategy for the Oldham Youth Justice Service and how the Council will collaborate with partners and other services to support children, young people and families. An integrated range of services including 'Early Help' is also provided to try and prevent young people from entering the youth justice system. |
| Corporate | Corporate Enforcement Policy | This document sets out what businesses and others can expect from Oldham Council and its officers when enforcement action is being taken. It commits the Council to good enforcement practices and procedures. The document has been prepared with regard to current legislation and specific policies which detail standards to which the Council must adhere. |
| Corporate | Key Decision Document | The Key Decision Document details the key decisions that the Council is going to take over a four-month period. It aims to make the citizens of Oldham aware of the key decisions that are going to be taken as well as the consultation methods available for them. |
| Corporate | Single Use Plastics | This policy was developed in response to a Council motion asking Cabinet to develop a robust strategy to make Oldham a 'single-use plastic-free' authority and encourage the Borough's institutions, businesses and citizens to adopt similar measures. |
| Corporate | Modern Slavery Act 2015 Transparency Statement | In accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015, Oldham Council seeks to ensure that no slavery or human trafficking is taking place in any part of its own business or any of its supply chains. |

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| Corporate | Registration Service Delivery Plan | This document sets out a plan for the delivery of Registration Services for the borough of Oldham. |
| Corporate | Homelessness Strategy | The Council's Homelessness Strategy sets out visions and targets to reduce homelessness in Oldham. The strategy identifies individuals and families that are at risk of becoming homeless, sets out how the Council's multi-agency approach will work with individuals and families to stop them from being homeless in the first place and where able, to assist and provide emergency housing provision. In the long-term, the strategy will, eradicate homelessness by securing long term housing provision. |
| Corporate | Community Safety | Oldham's Community Safety plan sets out our vision for creating a more safe, inclusive and fairer place for everyone to live and work in. The strategy acknowledges the diverse communities that represent Oldham, the challenges they face and our approaches in eradicating them to ensure all our communities can live and work together. |
| Corporate | Complaints or Feedback Policy | The policy provides information on how the Council provides a fair, consistent, and structured approach to dealing with complaints. |
| Corporate | Income Strategy | This Strategy sets out how the Council will maximise the income it can generate. |
| Corporate | Local Code of Corporate Governance | This is a requirement under appropriate Corporate Good Governance Standards to demonstrate appropriate process are operated by the Council. |
| Corporate | Whistleblowing Policy | This policy sets out how concerns about the Council can be raised in a confidential manner. |
| Corporate | Capital Strategy | This Strategy sets out the medium-term vision for the Council investing in its future. |
| Corporate | Treasury Management Strategy | This Strategy sets out how the Council will finance both its operational and investment requirements. |
| Corporate | Risk Management Strategy | This Strategy sets out how the Council will manage its significant risks. |
| Corporate | Medium Term Financial Strategy | This report sets out the Council's approach to managing its finances over the period 2022/23 to 2026/27. |
| Corporate | Local Welfare Provision Policy | This policy aims to meet the short-term emergency / immediate support needs of vulnerable residents and to assist vulnerable residents to establish or maintain a home in the community. |
| Economic Development | Medium Term Property Strategy | This document sets out the Council's approach to managing its large and diverse property portfolio over the medium term. |

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| Education, Skills & Early Years | Oldham's Inclusion Policy | This policy articulates a shared ambition for all Oldham's children and young people, placing them at the centre of everything and putting their voice first. Through strong partnership working the Council will identify their needs early and secure high quality, appropriate educational provision. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Participation and Engagement Strategy | Provides a framework for all agencies working with, or wishing to engage with, children and young people in Oldham based on guiding principles derived from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Sustainable Modes of Travel to School Strategy | This strategy aims to make it easier for parents and pupils to use different types of transport to get to school, college or training. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Aiming High | This programme ensures disadvantaged children with SEND can access short breaks that are fit for purpose and age appropriate. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Autism Strategy | The aim of the strategy is to improve both the design and delivery of services and support to ensure improved outcomes for people with autism and achieve value for money from commissioned services. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Local Authority Policy on Free Schools | This policy seeks to ensure the Council can exert influence over the choice of trust/sponsor for every Free School established in Oldham. The policy on Free Schools outlines criteria that the Council should insist on for any provider hoping to operate a Free School within Oldham. This includes working in partnership with the Council and working with the Oldham Education and Skills Commission to develop and improve the education offer for parents, young people and the community. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Policy on Academy Conversion and Guidance for Schools | This policy ensures that the Council can proactively manage and influence the academy conversion process within the current statutory framework in order to shape the future of education in Oldham and, at an operational level, manage any reputational, educational and financial risks. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Oldham Education and Skills Commission | The Oldham Education and Skills Commission set out a vision for Oldham to create a 'self-improving education system' where schools, colleges and all interested parties work together in a collaborative partnership. The focus of the partnership is the continuous improvement of outcomes for children and young people, leadership, teaching, learning and assessment. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Oldham Work and Skills Strategy | The strategy aims to create jobs, deliver social regeneration and in-work progression. deliver the vision of the Oldham Education and Skills Commission (OESC), improve college provision and support a thriving private sector. |

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| Education, Skills & Early Years | Get Oldham Working | A key aim of the Council is to improve employment opportunities for Oldham residents. As part of the Work and Skills Strategy, the "Get Oldham Working" campaign has created thousands of job, apprenticeship, traineeship and work experience placement opportunities. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Policy for Monitoring Challenge, Support and Intervention in Schools | This policy sets out how Oldham Council will fulfil its statutory duties in relation to maintained schools and provides the framework for engagement with Academies, Free Schools and Academy Sponsors in relation to standards and attainment. |
| Education, Skills & Early Years | Free School Meals Policy | This policy ensures there is a clear, transparent and accessible application and eligibility assessment process in place for Free School Meals. |
| Environmental Services | Local Flood Risk Management Strategy | This strategy aims to tackle 'local flood risk', which includes flooding from surface water, groundwater, ordinary watercourses, canals and reservoirs. This type of flooding is responsible for most of the household flooding in England, but until now there has been no duty on the Council or the Environment Agency (EA) to address these forms of risk in an organised way. The strategy aims to address this gap and direct and manage the way forward. |
| Environmental Services | Air quality management | The Council has a statutory duty to review and assess air quality within the borough to determine whether air quality objectives will be met. Alongside other districts, Oldham has contributed to the production of a joint Greater Manchester Air Quality Action Plan which is in the process of being implemented. |
| Environmental Services | Environmental Policy | This policy provides a framework for identifying and tackling the environmental impacts of operations and services, and influencing others to do the same, prioritising areas where the most impact can be made. The policy aims to ensure the environment allows us, our children and our grandchildren to prosper. |
| Environmental Services | Light Duty Vehicle Crossings Policy | This policy sets out the Council's procedures for assessing Light Duty Vehicle Crossing applications to ensure that they are assessed in a consistent and fair manner. |
| Environmental Services | Highway Safety Inspection Policy | This policy details how the Council will carry out proactive and reactive safety inspections to ensure that the Council can meet its statutory duty to maintain the highway. This policy also sets out how the Council will apply the principles of the national code of practice and Greater Manchester Highway Inspection Framework to its safety inspection regime. |

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| Environmental Services | Oldham Highway Asset Management, Policy, Framework and Strategy | The Highways Asset Management Policy, Framework and Strategy details the individual processes for maintaining all major highway assets. These processes have been developed to provide best value for money on a whole life cost basis for the asset, by maintaining assets to approved service levels appropriate to the overall current condition of the asset. |
| Environmental Services | Gambling Policy Review | Local authorities have statutory responsibilities for licensing premises used for gambling and associated activities. This strategy aims to prevent gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, ensure gambling is conducted in a fair and open way; and protect children and other vulnerable people from being harmed or exploited by gambling. |
| Environmental Services | Licensing Act 2003 - Review of Statement of Licensing Policy | This policy provides advice to businesses and the public on what the Council expects of those licensed under the Licensing Act 2003. The policy also provides a decision-making framework for the Council via its Licensing Committee, and the Licensing Premises Panel, to exercise its quasi-judicial functions under the Act. |
| Health and Social Care | Health and Wellbeing Strategy | This policy outlines how the Council and its partners will work together to improve the health and wellbeing of the borough's population. Reducing health inequalities is a key priority for Oldham and the strategy will identify the local context and local challenges (socio-economic) to eradicate health disparities. |
| Health and Social Care | Early Help Strategy | The Early Help Strategy captures the important priorities and local challenges faced by children and families. It identifies those who need additional support and identifies children and families from marginalised communities, so no one goes missing. The Strategy provides a voice for children and families and support will be provided in line with their requirements, with a multi-agency perspective. |
| Health and Social Care | Safeguarding Partnership Strategy | A Safeguarding Strategy includes our approach in identifying children, young people and adults who are vulnerable and at risk of coming into harm. The policy lays out how a multi-agency approach to safeguarding will strengthen our approach to keeping people safe as a strong partnership approach will facilitate and strengthen information sharing to prevent people coming into harm in the first place and also work to reduce the number of people coming into harm and mitigate the impact of harm and risk. |

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| Health and Social Care | Adult Social Care Preferred Accommodation and Top-Up Arrangements | Where a person's needs have been identified to be met in a residential or nursing home setting, shared lives environment or supported living accommodation, the person may choose a setting that is more expensive than the amount identified for the provision of care within their personal budget or the Councils residential care price framework. This policy sets out how the Council will deal with preferred accommodation requests and associated 'top-up' payments. |
| Health and Social Care | Adult Social Care Provider Failure Policy | As required by the Care Act 2014, this policy sets out how the Council will meet the care and support needs of an individual and the support needs of a carer when a registered care provider becomes unable to carry on a regulated activity, establishment or agency as a result of business failure. |
| Health and Social Care | Adult Social Care Local Account | The Adult Social Care Local Account provides Oldham borough residents with information about Adult Social Care services and how it aims to support and improve the lives of service users. |
| Health and Social Care | Adult Social Care Information and Advice Strategy | The aim of the strategy is to take stock of information and advice provision across care and support and to recommend required improvements. |
| Health and Social Care | Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services Strategy | This strategy aims to improve emotional wellbeing and mental health for children and young people in Oldham. |
| Health and Social Care | Locality Plan for Health and Social Care Transformation | Through the integration of Health and Social Care services, the vision is to achieve and sustain the greatest and fastest improvement in wellbeing and health for the people of Oldham. This will be achieved through innovative programmes, new ways of working, and partnerships. |
| Health and Social Care | Right Start Pre-school children's oral health improvement strategy | This strategy aims to improve the oral health of pre-school children living within the borough of Oldham. |
| Health and Social Care | Oldham Public Health Charter | The charter is committed to creating the conditions for residents to take greater control over their own lives and enjoy the freedoms that lead to healthy and independent lives. |
| Health and Social Care | Think Local Act Personal (TLAP) | TLAP is a national, cross sector leadership partnership focused on driving forward with personalisation and community-based support – the process of enabling people to be in more control of the care and support services they receive. It encourages interaction between service users, carers, Councils and other groups. |

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| Housing | Temporary Accommodation Strategy | This is the Strategy which sets out how the Council will set out to fulfil its Statutory duty to provide Temporary Accommodation to those in need for the period 2021/2024 |
| Housing | Homelessness Prevention Strategy | This is the Strategy which sets out how the Council will set out to fulfil its Statutory duty to prevent homelessness for the period 2021/2026. |
| Planning | Local Plan | The Local Plan is a series of documents setting out planning and development arrangements for the borough of Oldham covering the local development scheme, local plan review, supplementary planning documents, neighbourhood planning, the brownfield land register and housing land. |
| Youth, Leisure & Communities | Libraries Strategy | This document sets out a strategy for the delivery of Library Services within the borough of Oldham. |
| Youth, Leisure & Communities | Domestic Violence Strategy | This document sets out how the Council and partners will deal with the issue of domestic violence and promote a social norm where individuals treat each other with respect and dignity. |
| Youth, Leisure & Communities | Oldham Playing Pitch Strategy | This strategy aims to ensure that sufficient playing pitches are provided. These should be of a good quality and should support the needs of each sport and club in Oldham. Provision should aim to be sufficient yet flexible enough to deal with current and projected increases in demand. |