

Report to HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Development of Oldham's Health and Wellbeing Strategy

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Development of the Strategy

In July 2022 the Health and Wellbeing Board held a development session to discuss the creation of a new Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the borough. The proposed vision, ambition, principles, and overarching priorities were discussed at the Health and Wellbeing Board on the 4th October 22. The goals for each priority were discussed on the 15th November 22 and with guidance from colleagues across the Board membership, specific metrics have been added. The strategy can now be presented to the Board for final review and sign off.

The strategy aims to set out high level objectives for the coming 7-8 years, with the intention that actions to achieve these are embedded within other strategies, action and service plans developed and owned by the organisations which make up the Board's membership.

Alongside the original strategy presented, an 'easy read' version will be made available both via the Oldham Council website and in print on request. This version highlights the key messages of the strategy in a simplified way to ensure accessibility for a wider audience.

Next Steps

It is proposed that, in the next municipal year, the Health and Wellbeing Board, focuses on one theme from the strategy at each meeting.

Prior to each meeting there will be engagement with 'Community Explorers' to discuss and seek views on the topic area. Community Explorers are representatives of voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise organisations operating in Oldham, who come together on a monthly basis to

make connections, share knowledge and develop new approaches to supporting the community. The network is facilitated by Action Together, and has presence in each of the five districts.

Insight from the engagement work, alongside other quantitative and qualitative data and intelligence will be presented at each meeting to inform the discussion. The Board discussions would focus on actions that each partner organisation on the Board can take individually, and that the Board can take collectively, in order to deliver the strategy objectives. Follow up meetings will be held with Community Explorers to discuss the outcome of the Board meeting, and seek further feedback.

Requirement from the Health and Wellbeing Board

Board members are asked to:

- Review and sign off the strategy, and note the intention to produce and publish an 'easy read' version.
- Agree the proposed approach to working with Community Explorers and structuring future Health and Wellbeing Board agendas around the strategy themes.
- Consider how the objectives and actions will be adopted and delivered by the organisations represented on the Board, and how the Board will monitor progress.