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# Public Health Strategy



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# Hampshire's Public Health vision



**Hampshire County Council** is committed to improving the health of everyone living in Hampshire. 

Although Hampshire is generally a healthy place to live, not everyone enjoys the same level of good health. Recently we have seen that some people are dying earlier than they should be and the number of years they are living in good health is less than other residents.

To create a healthier Hampshire, we have **two ambitions:**

1

To increase the number of years Hampshire residents can expect to live in good health.



2

To reduce the unfair gap in healthy life years between the most and least healthy.









# Our Public Health Strategy

Our public health strategy gives clear direction on how we will improve health and tackle health inequalities, shaping our work and partnerships. We want no one to be left behind in Hampshire, so we will listen to the voices of our communities to understand the impact poor health has on their lives, and how we can work together to improve everyone's health.



## How we can make an impact?

**We can make the biggest impact on people's lives by addressing the building blocks of health.**

These are things like the buildings, spaces, and the natural environment around us, how we travel, the food we eat, the quality of education and work we do, and the money we have. They are also the homes we live in, the relationships we have with family and friends, and the connections with communities we are part of.

These hugely influence our health and explain why it is not an equal playing field for everyone. **Hampshire's Joint**

**Strategic Needs Assessment** explores the things which affect our health in more detail.

The links between health and wealth are well documented and increasing economic productivity and growth will lead to improvements for everyone. Healthy places and people are vital to delivering this aspect of **Hampshire's Vision for 2050**, which is why we need to ensure the right building blocks for health are in place, narrow the gaps and create a healthier Hampshire





## Our Strategy themes



### Healthy places and community

**Good health starts with the environment in which we live, learn, work and play. Improving these places and communities will enable more people to live healthier lives for longer and reduce the unfair gap between the most and least healthy.**

A strong, growing economy in Hampshire will provide the quantity and quality of employment opportunities for the local population. This is important as many health outcomes for us, and those we care for, improve incrementally as incomes rise. However, to achieve increased productivity and growth, we need to invest in healthy places and people, so that everyone can participate.

Similarly, strong social relationships or, conversely, stressful living conditions, can impact on our mental and physical health. Good urban design, planning, transport and volunteering opportunities can help to encourage a more active lifestyle, increase positive social interactions and improve health.

As a local government organisation Hampshire County Council is well placed to work with similar organisations to influence and address these environmental, economic and social drivers for health.





## Healthy people

Hampshire County Council has a duty to protect the health and safety of residents. This means planning, preparing and practising our response to emergencies like infectious disease outbreaks, extreme weather or chemical incidents, which we know will impact our health.

It also means working to reduce the violence some people experience in their homes and communities and cooperating with the criminal justice system. To achieve this, we will focus on actions to protect the population from health harms and the impact of violence.



## Healthy lives

Our public health services and the work we do in partnership with others directly supports people to live healthier lives. This includes insight-led behaviour change campaigns and the provision of training and education to those working in Hampshire to improve residents' health.

With our NHS colleagues and other partners, we are also seeking to embed prevention at scale across our health and care systems.

Our actions will support people at different stages of their lives, focusing on those factors that make the biggest difference.



# Healthy places, settings and communities



## Our key areas of focus and ambitions

### **Transport and climate change**

Include healthy streets, active travel and air quality in everything we do.

### **Planning for health**

Build healthy new places, and ensure our town centres and places we live in are accessible, safe and sustainable.

### **Healthy settings**

Develop healthy workplaces, community and educational settings.

### **Hampshire County Council's role as an anchor institution**

Contribute to the health of local communities, through our size, work, buildings, spaces and purchasing power. Encourage others to also take on this role.

## Our ambitions

### **Transport**

A good transport system is essential for good health and by bringing our skills together for the best outcomes we will:

- increase capacity and capability to incorporate public health approaches;
  - into the work of Centre for Active Travel Excellence;
  - to support travel planning and community participatory approaches;
- deliver the shared health, environment, economy and transport agenda, focusing on improving air quality;
- encourage inactive people to become more active using evidence-based behaviour change approaches;
- share Hampshire County Council's vision for active travel with our health partners so they can play their role in supporting this.

## Climate change

Having plans in place and being ready to respond to any public health emergency is critical and we will:

- ensure that contingency arrangements, based on potential or actual risk, are in place to protect the health and wellbeing of the population;
- make sure emergency plans take account of our diverse population and that they are inclusive, meeting the health needs of all groups within Hampshire.

## Planning for health

Planning for health means creating spaces and places that encourage healthier choices. Hampshire enjoys a unique natural environment of blue and green spaces, and we will:

- support spatial planning to understand and develop the best way to improve people's health, including using this to design healthier schools;
- take the lead with health colleagues to address how planning and place can improve health, using a 'whole system approach.'
- implement Air Quality guidance and Supplementary Planning Documents with Hampshire's Districts and Boroughs;





### Healthy settings

Where we learn, work and play can support us to be healthy, so we will:

- deliver a staff wellbeing programme which addresses those issues which are most important for the health of our workforce and local population;
- continue to develop the Hampshire Health in Education offer;
- use school surveys to:
  - understand the needs of children, young people and staff;
  - help us understand what staff need to feel knowledgeable, confident, skilled and able to support their students, and deliver Personal, Social, Health and Economic education (PSHE) including Relationship and Sex Education (RSE).

### Hampshire County Council's role as an anchor institution

Anchor institutions, due to their size and reach, can influence the health and wellbeing of local communities. We will:

- promote the role Hampshire County Council can play as an anchor institution to improve health through:
  - setting an example as a good employer, widening access to employment and developing our staff to fulfil their potential;
  - procurement and commissioning policies and practices;
  - how our buildings and capital are used;
  - how we develop, protect and care for the environment;
- work with Districts, Boroughs and other local organisations to strengthen social networks within communities, to improve residents' health;
- incorporate a public health approach within Community Safety programmes.



## Healthy homes

Having a safe, settled home is a fundamental building block of our health and wellbeing, whether we own our home or live in social rented or private rented accommodation. The condition and nature of homes, including factors such as stability, space, tenure

and cost, can have a big impact on our lives, influencing our physical and mental wellbeing and health. We will;

- Build on our work with partners to develop a system-wide approach to healthy homes.

## What a healthy place means within Hampshire

- More people are walking and cycling, more often, contributing to lower rates of obesity and other health conditions.
- The health impacts of road transport and other emissions are reduced so that everyone can live, work and play in cleaner air.
- New housing developments are built so that residents can easily choose to walk, cycle and socialise.
- Places are developed so that people can live independently and actively, improving the health and wellbeing of all now, and in the future.
- Local communities, where people live, learn, work and socialise, will be recognised as places which enhance and sustain healthy lifestyles.
- Everyone will be able to develop and use their own knowledge, skills, and resources to improve their health and independence.
- Working with partners of the Health and Wellbeing Board, more organisations will act as an anchor institution, influencing good health for all within their local communities.
- Anchor organisations will have well-developed mental wellbeing approaches to support their employees.
- Local communities, passionate and knowledgeable about local health challenges and opportunities, will be encouraged and enabled to take part in decisions that shape their lives.
- More people are living in safe, stable and healthy homes.



# Healthy people



Our key areas of focus and ambitions

## Health protection

Contribute to the prevention, early detection and control of infectious and non-infectious risks to health; and support NHS screening and vaccination programmes.

## Public Health emergencies

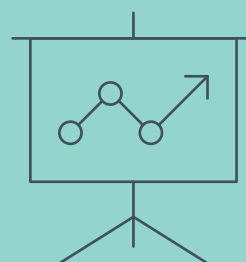
Build capacity and capability to respond to Public Health emergencies.

## Public Health intelligence

Provide Public Health intelligence, advice and leadership to the NHS. This will inform service and pathway design, and tell us where to act to reduce health inequalities.

## Criminal justice and preventing violence

Deliver programmes with partners that reduce the impacts of violence, improving the health of families, communities and within the criminal justice system.



# Our ambitions

## Health protection

Protecting the health and safety of everyone in Hampshire is an essential duty and we will:

- apply learning from the recent COVID-19 pandemic to ensure:
  - we are ready and able to respond to emerging and unexpected pandemics;
  - we can quickly and effectively recover from the impacts of a pandemic;
  - we have trained people, resources and the technical know-how in place to do this;
- develop engaging health protection social marketing campaigns, underpinned by community insight and public health intelligence, to encourage uptake of immunisations and screening;
- work with NHS colleagues to implement the Tuberculosis Action Plan for England using local intelligence to inform how we should act;
- contribute to Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) programmes and the objectives of the five-year UK AMR Action Plan;
- ensure public health perspectives are considered where hazards may be an issue (e.g. extraction/industrial/waste).

## Public Health emergencies

Having plans in place and being ready to respond to any public health emergency is critical and we will:

- ensure that contingency arrangements, based on potential or actual risk, are in place to protect the health and wellbeing of the population;
- make sure emergency plans take account of our diverse population and that they are inclusive, meeting the health needs of all groups within Hampshire.



### Public Health intelligence

Through our understanding of data and analysis, we will act to improve health and reduce inequalities. To achieve this we will:

- provide a high quality, interactive Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for all partners across Hampshire;
- ensure we provide public health leadership to the;
- Hampshire and Isle of Wight Prevention and Inequalities Board and Population Health Management programme;
- Frimley Health and Care Integrated Care System (ICS) Living Well Board;
- Local Delivery Systems across Hampshire.

### Criminal justice and preventing violence

Reducing the impacts of violence and crime in our communities will improve the health of affected individuals, families and the wider community. We will:

- collaborate with the police, criminal justice, education and health bodies, and employ a public health model to tackle serious violence, using surveillance, identification of risk and protective factors and implementing evidence-based interventions;
- support the delivery of the Violence Reduction Unit's actions to reduce;
  - hospital admissions for assaults with a knife or sharp object and especially among victims aged under 25;
  - knife-enabled serious violence and especially among victims aged under 25;
  - non-domestic homicides and especially among victims aged under 25 involving knives;
- continue to enable work addressing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), through Trauma Informed Approaches.



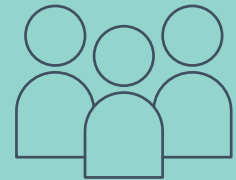
## Successful health protection in Hampshire means

- Health protection incidents and infectious disease outbreaks are managed quickly and effectively.
- Uptake of immunisation and screening programmes exceeds or is in line with national ambitions.
- Actions are in place to increase uptake of immunisation and screening by those who are not taking up these offers.
- Actions are in place to prevent, identify and treat active and latent tuberculosis infections, with a focus on those at increased risk.
- Emergency plans to deal with incidents are in place and are tested regularly.
- Staff are supported and trained to keep their knowledge and skills up to date and are ready to respond to any future emergencies.
- The Council and its partners make decisions, commission services and develop interventions based on public health intelligence and trusted data from the Hampshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).
- Hampshire Public Health is represented on national and local forums and actively contributes to setting the direction that will best improve the health of Hampshire's residents.
- The Council, police, criminal justice, education and health bodies collaborate, share information, have agreed violence reduction strategies, and help those most vulnerable or at risk to steer away from crime and violence, protecting people and communities from harm.



# Healthy lives

Our key areas of focus and ambitions



## **Best start in life**

Enable a healthy start in life for all Hampshire babies, children and young people.

## **Healthy adults**

Prevent the causes of ill-health and long-term conditions, focusing on those entering mid-life.

## **Healthy older people**

Enable older adults to remain healthy and independent for longer.

## **Mental wellbeing**

Work to improve mental health, wellbeing and prevent suicides.

## **Sexual health**

Support good sexual and reproductive health, through the provision of quality services and information.

## **Domestic abuse**

Prevent domestic abuse through the promotion of healthy relationships and earlier support. Reduce the impacts of domestic abuse on Hampshire families.

## **Substance misuse**

Reduce the number of residents harmed, by providing quality prevention, treatment, recovery and enforcement services.



# Our ambitions

## Best start in life

- Use the evidence-based early years and school-aged high impact areas to support babies, children and young people to have the best start in life, and commission the Public Health Nursing Service to deliver the Healthy Child Programme in partnership with others.
- Enable children, young people and their families to achieve healthier lifestyles, increase the prevalence of healthy weight, promote physical activity as the norm.
- Reduce health inequalities by further developing support for the most vulnerable children and families.

## Healthy adults

- Support residents, especially those at most risk, to stop smoking, drink responsibly, maintain a healthy weight and be physically active.
- Ensure residents most at risk of cardiovascular disease can access an NHS health check every five years, and are supported to adopt healthier habits and to access health services to help them reduce this risk.
- Develop an innovative work programme that supports people to be healthier in mid-life, building on existing interventions.



## Healthy older people

- Increase the reach of the Live Longer Better programme to enable healthy and independent older age.
- Extend the provision of high-quality evidence-based falls prevention interventions.

### Mental wellbeing

- Improve parental, family, and infant mental wellbeing through the Healthy Child Programme.
- Reduce the impact of suicide for families, schools, workplaces and communities.
- Improve Mental Wellbeing alongside our partners, focusing on evidence base, prevention, reducing stigma and preventing suicides.

### Sexual health

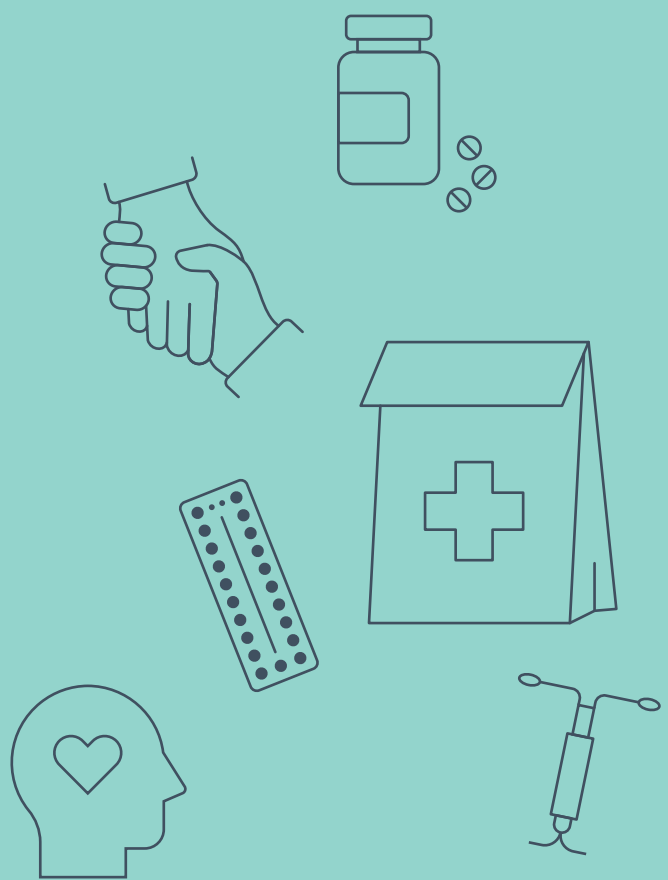
- Use collaborative commissioning of integrated sexual and reproductive health services to support groups known to experience the worst health outcomes.
- Support the development of Women's Health Hubs to improve access to long-acting reversible contraception.
- Work towards zero HIV transmission.

### Domestic abuse

- Work in partnership to ensure inclusive, quality, affordable, and appropriate safe accommodation support is available to all victims/survivors of domestic abuse, including their children.
- Use a coordinated system approach to preventing domestic abuse and protect and support those affected by it.

### Substance misuse

- For those in need of help, ensure they can access high quality effective person-centred drug and alcohol prevention, treatment, recovery, and enforcement services.
- Collaborate with other organisations to implement the 10-year national drugs **plan** and reduce harm across Hampshire.





### Healthier lives in Hampshire means

- Seamless multi-agency pathways of support are in place enabling a skilled and knowledgeable workforce to:
  - focus on early identification of unmet health needs;
  - intervene early to prevent health needs from worsening;
  - reduce demand on specialist services and safeguarding interventions.
- More children and young people will have;
  - a healthy weight;
  - good emotional wellbeing;
  - improved speech, language and communication skills;
  - effective access to specialist support for risk-taking behaviours.
- Residents have adopted overall healthier lifestyles.
- Uptake of NHS Health Checks in the highest risk groups has increased and there is a reduction in cardiovascular disease amongst these populations.
- Older and middle-aged people;
  - are living healthy, happy and independent lives;
  - working, volunteering or caring for others, as they wish;
  - have a reduced need for health and care services.
- Hampshire residents are achieving the best mental health and wellbeing they can, and our partners are committed, skilled and able to respond in times of need, and can provide extra support to those groups who require more help.
- Organisations and local people working together have put in place joined-up approaches to mental wellbeing, support, care and awareness.
- Fewer people experience unplanned pregnancies, sexually transmitted infections and HIV.
- People experience less stigma in relation to sexual health.
- Domestic abuse is prevented and identified earlier so that the impacts are reduced and there is less reliance on crisis accommodation.

- Inclusive, quality, affordable, and appropriate safe accommodation support is provided to all victims of domestic abuse when it is required.
- There is a reduction in the harm associated with substance misuse (to individuals, their families and communities) and an increase in the opportunities for recovery for Hampshire residents who are dependent on drugs and/or alcohol.

- Across the county, together we have;
  - broken the drug supply chains;
  - delivered world class treatment and recovery services;
  - achieved a generational shift in the demand for drugs.



# Our ways of working

## **Collaborative**

Working together with residents and partners to shape decisions and actions, that use innovative solutions.

## **Equalities-driven**

Reducing health inequalities and promoting equity in health outcomes, using intelligence and living experience to inform action.

## **Outcome-focused**

Prioritising our work based on evidence, effectiveness and value for money to maximise health and wellbeing outcomes.

## **Sustainable**

Creating lasting change in local systems and communities, including a focus on environmental sustainability for the benefit of everyone's health.

## How will we achieve our aims?

By taking the actions outlined in **healthy places, healthy people** and **healthy lives**, we can ensure people will remain healthier for longer and prevent lives from being cut short.

We know our actions need to be underpinned by excellent public health practice, for example, ensuring we engage with residents and work with

partners to shape and implement decisions. It is also essential that we enable our staff, and those working directly with people as part of Hampshire's wider public health workforce, to gain the knowledge and skills they need to positively impact health and wellbeing through their work, volunteering and communities.



# Our ambitions

## Addressing differences in health outcomes

Inequalities in health are a long-standing issue and we need to focus on ways to address these differences to make sure no one in Hampshire is left behind. This will give us the best chance of tackling the causes of poor health and reducing the gap between the most and least healthy.

Although our public health initiatives, programmes and commissioned services are universally available to all, we will prioritise those whose health stands to benefit most from these.

This also means we will need to work with our communities and partners to ensure we can address the gaps in the building blocks of health and support people to live healthier lives.

Communities, linked by identity, place or common interest, influence people's health and wellbeing outcomes. Being involved in our community, connecting with others around us and having a say in local decisions, are all factors that support good health.

## Listening to community voices

Listening to the voices of our communities and understanding their needs and assets is vital to tackling health inequalities and improving outcomes for all. By listening to our communities, we will better understand the impact poor health has on people's daily lives and learn what needs to be done to shape interventions and services.

To make sure we also hear the voices and experiences of our diverse

communities, we will continue to build on the Council's successful Community Researchers programme.

We cannot make change happen alone. Working with our partners including District and Borough Councils, Voluntary and Community Sector, health, social care, faith groups and businesses, and directly with residents, we will use co-production and participatory research approaches.



## Alignment with other Hampshire strategies

Hampshire 2050 Commissioners reported



There was a clear consensus that human relationships, communities and public health and wellbeing are at the heart of achieving a positive future for Hampshire, and should therefore underpin the recommendations. ””

This Public Health Strategy aligns with and will contribute to realising the **Hampshire 2050 Vision**.

It will contribute to objectives set out in the Council's other population level strategies including the **Economic Strategy, Climate Change Strategy** and **Local Transport Plan**.

It also sets out how we will work to improve overall outcomes and reduce inequalities between and among specific groups through alignment with the **Children and Young People's Plan** and **Adults' Health and Care Strategy**.

The strategy closely aligns with the objectives of the **Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy**, and will contribute to delivery of the strategic vision of **Hampshire and Isle of Wight**, and **Frimley Health and Care** Integrated Care Systems.

Building on Hampshire's natural environment, it also supports the **South Downs National Parks Health and Wellbeing Strategy** and **New Forest National Park**.





## Measuring outcomes

By measuring impact and outcomes we will know if we have:

- addressed the building blocks of health and made a difference to the population's health across Hampshire;
- narrowed the gaps in key health indicators across areas of relative deprivation and between different demographics;
- enabled those from traditionally excluded communities, and groups who may not engage or where poor outcomes are multiplied, to access services and lead healthy lives.

This means regularly monitoring our progress in delivering this strategy. We will choose outcome measures that enable us to benchmark against England, and where relevant, against areas with similar demographics to Hampshire.

Where possible we will seek to collect information that enables us to measure outcomes for specific population groups,

this will enable us to monitor progress on our ambition to reduce inequalities.

To inform future service design and transformations we will listen to residents, communities and partners. This will help us better understand how people feel about our services and interventions and learn what needs to be done to improve them.

Public Health intelligence will be used to examine the needs of our population and the evidence base for our interventions to help us identify what else needs to be done. Building evaluation into plans for new interventions will ensure we identify opportunities for quality improvement with service users and providers.

We will work with academic partners and other local organisations to build robust evidence to support local decision-making.

What success looks like is explored more fully at: **healthy places, healthy lives** and **healthy people**.

# Why are we doing this?

## Overview

**Improving the health of the population of Hampshire and reducing the unfair differences in health and wellbeing between population groups is vital. By acting now, we can address the building blocks of health, prevent the lives of those in poorest health being cut short and enable people to live healthier lives for longer.**

We know actions that improve the health of our population will also have a positive impact on economic prosperity, tackling environmental pollution and climate change, and reducing demand for health and social care.

For the Council and its partners, this Public Health Strategy presents an opportunity for the organisation to lead the transformation and actions necessary to improve health. It will also enable us to influence our partners across the county to fulfil their role in improving the health and wellbeing of residents.

The building blocks of health are the conditions in which we grow, learn, live, work, relax and play. Actions to shape these factors, and our policies, services and partnerships will support people to maintain healthy behaviours and protect them from health risks and emergencies.

This also means seeking to reduce the prevalence of those conditions which contribute to us living longer in ill health, namely smoking, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, unhealthy weight, low physical activity and poor mental health.

The links between health and wealth are well documented, therefore this strategy aligns with the vision and strategic direction set out through the Hampshire 2050 Commission and other key strategies that shape Hampshire.





## Drivers of ill health

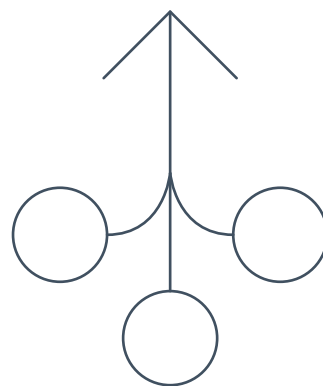
Although Hampshire is generally a healthy place to live, not everyone enjoys the same level of good health. Recently we have seen that some people are dying earlier than they should be and the number of years they are living in good health is less than others in the county.

These unfair differences are linked to the conditions in which people are born, work and live. When we don't have the things we need, like warm homes, healthy food, secure jobs and are constantly worrying about making ends meet, this puts a strain on our bodies. This leads to increased stress, poorer health, being unable to earn a living, needing more social care and dying earlier.

In Hampshire, excess weight, high blood sugar, smoking, alcohol and drug use, high blood pressure and air pollution account for 40% of the years lived in poorer health. Diagnosed mental health conditions are also a

significant contributor, accounting for 14% of disability in Hampshire with poor emotional health and wellbeing contributing to additional time spent in ill health on top of this.

The Global Burden of Disease Data for Hampshire (**figure one**) ranks the main health risk factors in comparison to South East England and England as a whole. These risk factors are described in disability-adjusted life years (DALYS) which are calculated from the number of healthy life years lost due to ill health and premature death caused by them.



Both sexes, all ages, 2019,  
disability-adjusted life year per 100,000

High rank ●●●●● Lower rank

|                                     | Hampshire | SE England | England |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------|---------|
| Tobacco                             | 1         | 1          | 1       |
| High fasting plasma glucose         | 2         | 2          | 2       |
| High body-mass index                | 3         | 3          | 3       |
| Dietary                             | 4         | 4          | 4       |
| High blood pressure                 | 5         | 5          | 5       |
| Alcohol use                         | 6         | 6          | 6       |
| High low-density lipoprotein        | 7         | 7          | 7       |
| Occupational risks                  | 8         | 8          | 8       |
| Non-optimal temperature             | 9         | 9          | 9       |
| Kidney dysfunction                  | 10        | 12         | 11      |
| Air pollution                       | 11        | 11         | 12      |
| Drug use                            | 12        | 10         | 10      |
| Malnutrition                        | 13        | 13         | 13      |
| Low physical activity               | 14        | 14         | 14      |
| Low bone mineral density            | 15        | 15         | 15      |
| Childhood sexual abuse and bullying | 16        | 16         | 16      |
| Unsafe sex                          | 17        | 17         | 18      |
| Other environmental                 | 18        | 18         | 17      |
| Intimate partner violence           | 19        | 19         | 19      |
| Water, sanitation and hygiene       | 20        | 20         | 20      |

Figure one: Global Burden of Disease Data for Hampshire, South East England and England  
(Source: VizHub – GBD Compare (healthdata.org))

Groups experiencing differences in their health compared to the general population, include people living in different areas and of different ethnicities, as well as those with learning disabilities, veterans and migrants. Inequalities also exist within other groups, for example, between men and women, urban and rural communities, younger and older residents.

The consequences of unfair differences are that for some they are unable to get a job, access the support they need or be active in their communities – they become socially excluded.



## Acting on the building blocks of health

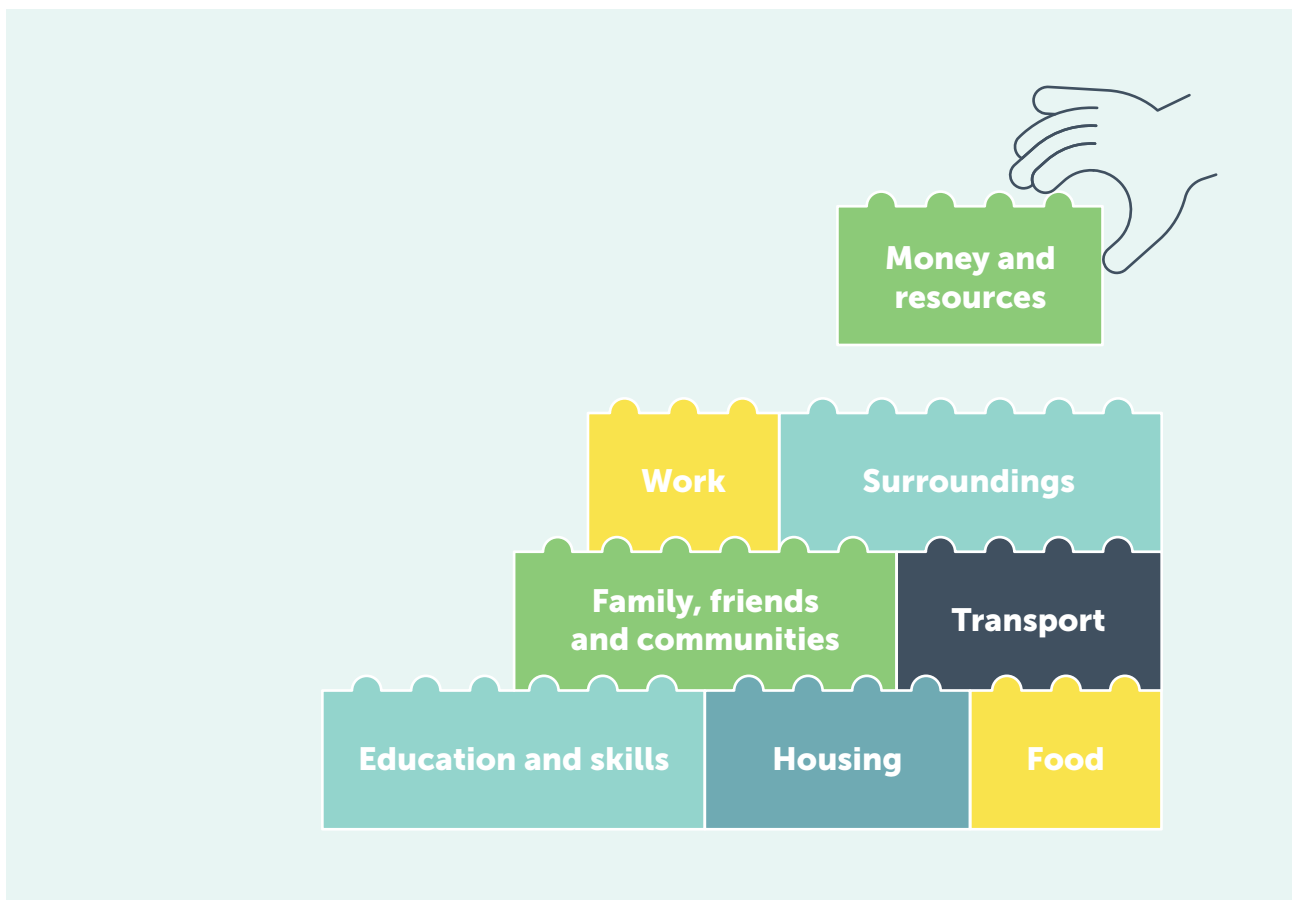
We can make the biggest impact on people's health by addressing the building blocks of health. These are things like the buildings, spaces and the natural environment around us, how we travel, the food we eat, the quality of education and work we do, and the money we have. They are also the homes we live in and the family, friends and communities we are part of.

The NHS and public health interventions can only go some way to improving health. We need to tackle these other wider factors, which are outside an individual's control, but which hugely

influence our health and wellbeing, and explain why it is not an equal playing field for all in Hampshire.

Hampshire County Council, as an **anchor institution**, working with other similar organisations, is well positioned to use its assets and resources to impact on some of the building blocks that drive health and contribute to inequalities.

**Healthy places, healthy lives and healthy people** explain further how we are going to address the building blocks of health and make change happen.



**Figure two:** The building blocks of health (Source: Thinking differently about health – The Health Foundation)



# Learn more about our specific public health duties

Like all upper tier local authorities in England, Hampshire County Council receives an annual ring-fenced Public Health grant from the Department of Health and Social Care, this must be used to deliver public health functions, including the following set of specific duties.

Hampshire County Council has a statutory duty to improve health and wellbeing and reduce health inequalities. This includes a duty to commission certain services known as mandated services.

This is critically important in preventing ill-health and disability, which reduces the need for people to access health and social care and supports a vibrant community able to fulfil its potential. It cannot deliver this duty alone; it can only be delivered by working closely with our partners.

The public health team is responsible for providing data, intelligence, and public health leadership to inform, shape and deliver the work of the Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board and the strategies of both Hampshire and Isle of Wight and Frimley Health and Care Integrated Care Systems.

The Director of Public Health must be assured that adequate arrangements are in place in the event of a health protection emergency, this has been demonstrated during the COVID-19 pandemic and extends to situations related to other infectious diseases and chemical or radiation hazards.

The Director of Public Health also has the responsibility to co-operate and work with the police, the probation service, and the prison service to assess the risks posed by violent or sexual offenders and put in place services to reduce these risks for residents.

Public Health has other responsibilities for commissioning mandated services including Sexual and Reproductive Health, Drugs and Alcohol treatment, School Nursing, Health Visiting, the National Childhood Measurement Programme and NHS Health Checks.



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