

DECISION TAKER: Cabinet Member for Healthy Communities – Councillor Kathleen Becker

REPORT TITLE: HEALTH PRIORITIES STATEMENT

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WARD(S): ALL

DECISION:

1. That the Health Priorities Statement for Winchester district as a record of the health goals, aims and priorities to be used to influence the provision and to direct delivery of council services, facilities and support programmes, is adopted.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The council has long recognised the importance of healthy communities and has made this a priority in its Council Plan 2025-2030. To understand how best the council's healthy communities outcomes can be achieved, and where to target the available resources, it was agreed that a set of health priorities should be identified for the district. Following a review of the data held in the Hampshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) a set of health priorities for the district has been identified. The priorities identified are those over which the council has influence, and to which it can meaningfully contribute, and the statement maps the work of the council to the social determinants of health to demonstrate how actions and funding supports the creation of strong, healthy communities.

This report sets out the approach taken to create the Health Priorities Statement and seeks its adoption.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

1. Do not publish a health priorities statement for the district. This is rejected as not having an evidence-based set of priorities means that the council cannot best direct its resources to those people and places most in need. It would also mean

that the council could not effectively influence health partners and agencies to deliver provision in the district.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE:

None

APPROVED BY: Kathleen Becker

DATE: 12.06.2025

**Councillor Kathleen Becker– Cabinet Member for Healthy Communities**

APPENDICES

Appendix 1. Health Priorities Statement for Winchester District.