

**Health, Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee  
Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker 2022-23**

*(A key and explanatory note for this tracker table is provided at the end of this report).*

**Friday 23rd September 2022**

Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review date
<p><b>Obesity in Herefordshire</b></p>	<p>Recommendation 1 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners develop a whole systems, Healthy Weight Strategy to coordinate and deliver actions for improved health outcomes.</p>	<p>Cabinet 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022   <b>Cabinet Decision:</b> <i>To be determined.</i>   <b>Executive Response:</b> <i>To be determined.</i></p>	<p>Cabinet Members: Councillor Pauline Crocket – Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Wellbeing                       Hilary Hall – Corporate Director for Community Wellbeing                       Matt Pearce – Director of Public Health</p>	<p>To be determined.</p>	<p><i>February 2024</i></p>
	<p>Recommendation 2 That a Health Schools Strategy, to include emotional, mental and physical wellbeing, be considered as a specific programme to engage and involve schools.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 3 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners ensure that the Healthy Weight Strategy include key measures to effectively measure and evaluate the impact of the strategy over time.</p>				

	<p>Recommendation 4 That the 'Get Active' fund programme evaluation be used to help inform the Healthy Weight Strategy.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 5 That free access to gyms services be made available to care leavers up to the age of 25.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 6 That Herefordshire Council take measures to improve access to Public Rights of Way and countryside footpaths.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 7 That a Health Impact Assessment Tool be developed for use in planning policy to consider potential impacts on health and wellbeing of planning applications.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 8 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners embed healthy weight as a strategic priority across local organisations and agencies by working with all key partners to develop a greater understanding of the causes of obesity and how best to deliver collective action through a whole system approach.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 9 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners assess the impact of the current gaps in the county's weight management services in order to allocate</p>				

	<p>sufficient resources as appropriate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tier 2 child and adult weight management services</li> <li>• Tier 3 child and adult weight management services – NHS/ICB priority</li> <li>• Tier 4 adult weight management service – NHS/ICB priority.</li> </ul>				
	<p>Recommendation 10 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners encourage health professionals and residents to identify ways in which patients can do more to help themselves through promotion of digital and self-help resources.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 11 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners improve the quality of data on weight management services and obesity across the life course with a particular focus on long-term outcomes.</p>				

	<p>Recommendation 12 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners develop a training package around 'raising the issue of weight' for health practitioners and other front line workers to give them confidence to identify and elicit positive behaviour change in individuals.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 13 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners build on the Sustainable Food Partnership to deliver collective action through a systems approach.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 14 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners undertake further mapping of weight management services (and compliance with NICE Guidance) and raising awareness of the Weight Management to health practitioners across the county, including the service offer, eligibility criteria etc.</p>				
	<p>Recommendation 15 That Herefordshire Council and NHS partners consider a consistent approach to the type of language and media used to communicate about obesity, tailoring language to the situation and co-producing communications with intended audiences.</p>				

## Notes

This is a table to track the progress of scrutiny recommendations made by one of the formal scrutiny committees at Herefordshire Council, with details provided by the relevant lead departments. It is a standing item on the Committee's agenda, so that the Committee can keep track of the recommendations it has made, the decisions made, implementation status and provoke consideration of outcomes that have for residents, the Council and its statutory partners.

The tracker lists the recommendations made by the committee throughout a municipal year and any recommendations still not fully implemented from previous years since June 2022.

The tracker documents the scrutiny recommendations made, the dates when they were made, the decision maker who can make each decision in respect of the recommendations, the date the decision was made and the actual decision taken. The executive decision taken may be the same as the scrutiny recommendation (e.g. the recommendation was "agreed") or it may be a different decision, which should be clarified here. The tracker also asks if the respective executive decisions have been implemented and this should be updated accordingly throughout the year.

Scrutiny Task Group report recommendations should be included here but referenced collectively (e.g. the name of the scrutiny inquiry and date of the agreement of the scrutiny report and recommendations by the scrutiny committee, along with the respective dates when the decision maker(s) considered and responded to the report and recommendations. The Committee should generally review the implementation of scrutiny task group report recommendations separately with stand-alone agenda items at relevant junctures – e.g. the Executive Response to a scrutiny report and after six months or a year, or upon expected implementation of the agreed recommendation of report. The "Expected Implementation Date" should provide an indication of a suitable time for review.

## Key:

**Date of scrutiny committee meeting** - For each table, the date of scrutiny committee meeting when the recommendation was made is provided in the subtitle header.

**Subject** – this is the item title on the committee's agenda; the subject being considered.

**Scrutiny Recommendation** – This is the text of the scrutiny recommendation as it appears on the minutes – **in bold**.

**Decision Maker** – the decision maker for the recommendation, (**in bold**), eg the Cabinet (for Council executive decisions), full Council (for Council policy and budgetary decisions), or an NHS executive body for recommendations to the NHS. In brackets, (date), the date on which the Executive Response was made.

**Executive Response** – The response of the decision maker (eg Cabinet decision) for the recommendation. This should be the executive decision as recorded in the minutes. The Executive Response should provide details of what, if anything, the executive will do in response to the scrutiny recommendation. Ideally, the Executive Response will include a decision to either agree/reject/or amend the scrutiny recommendation and where the scrutiny recommendation is rejected, provide an explanation of why. In brackets, provide the date of Cabinet/executive meeting that considered the scrutiny recommendation and made the decision.

**Department** – the Council directorate (and/or external agencies) that are responsible for implementation of the agreed executive decision/response. Also provided, for reference only, the relevant Cabinet Member and strategic director.

**Implementation Status** – This is the progress of any implementation of the agreed Executive Response against key milestones. This may cross reference to any specific actions and deadlines that may be provided in the Executive Response. This should be as specific and quantifiable as possible. This should also provide, as far as possible, any evidenced outcomes or improvements resulting from implementation.

**Review Date** - This is the expected date when the agreed Executive Response should be fully implemented and when the scrutiny committee may usefully review the implementation and any evidenced outcomes (eg service improvements). (Note: this is the implementation of the agreed Executive Response, which may not be the same as the scrutiny recommendation).