

Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel (HOSP)

Scrutiny Monitoring – 29 June 2023

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09/02/23	ASC – Performance & Transformation	1) That, to present a more accurate reflection of the performance of Adult Social Care Services in Southampton, moving forward local performance indicators are included in the performance dataset alongside the ASCOF measures.	Local performance figures will be included alongside ASCOF measures.	Ongoing
		2) That, where appropriate, the performance indicators include figures as well as percentages to enhance the Panel's understanding of the metrics.	All standalone percentage figures presented in future will include a baseline number.	Ongoing
		3) That an overview of DOLS performance and trend data is attached to the next iteration of the performance dataset to be considered by the Panel.	DoLs information will be included henceforth.	Ongoing
		4) That the projected Adult Social Care budget overspend for 2022/23 is shared with the Panel.	This information will be made available.	Ongoing
		5) That the Chair and Vice Chair of the Panel meet with the Executive Director to discuss Adult Social Care review activity.	To be arranged when new, permanent chair selected.	Ongoing
		6) That, subject to agreement from the Chair, performance and transformation are considered together when the Panel undertake quarterly reviews of Adult Social Care in 2023/24.	Both to be included in ongoing reports to HOSP.	Ongoing
06/04/23	Project Fusion - Update	1) That Project Fusion returns to the HOSP agenda in 2023/24 to consider the final business case. There will be an expectation that the report to the Panel will include performance targets and baseline data for Southampton and governance arrangements.		
06/04/23	SCC Policy Approach to Food	1) That information relating to eligibility and the take up of free school meals in Southampton is provided to the Panel.	The April 2023 HOSP report quoted 34.5% of pupils in Southampton as eligible for Free School Meals (FSMs) in January 2023. For clarity, this figure is calculated as the number of pupils in both primary and secondary schools who are known to be eligible for FSMs	

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			<p>expressed as a proportion of all pupils. Pupils in Years R, 1 and 2 who receive universal free school meals but do not meet the eligibility criteria for FSMs are not included in the numerator.</p> <p>A subset of data for pupils eligible for free school meals was analysed to estimate how many children are eligible but are not taking up the offer. From the analysis, it is believed there are a number of families within the city who are currently eligible but are not taking up the current offer of FSM. We believe there are enough families to warrant a piece of work to accurately identify the full number and ensure all has been done to encourage full take up. An additional aim of this is to ensure schools are able to access as much additional funding as possible for the city.</p> <p>The additional data relating to the take up of free school meals is expected to be available in July 2023 (at the end of the academic year).</p>	
		2) That, following the reference to the potential for licensing policy to reduce obesity, food is used as a test case for the Council's recently adopted Health in All Policies approach.	Food will be used as a test case for the Council's Health in All Policies approach. This will be undertaken as part of the Scrutiny Inquiry (for tackling childhood obesity) recommendation to work towards becoming a Sustainable Food Place. This will involve the establishment of a cross-department/sector food network and the development and implementation of a local action plan, which can be embedded across a wide range of functions delivered by the Council and partners.	
		3) That an exercise is undertaken, akin to the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, to identify the	A similar approach to the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, which will help us understand	

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		<p>distance a resident is required to travel to access a retail establishment that sells 'healthy' food.</p>	<p>access to healthy food, is underway. An initial desk-based mapping exercise using an evidence-based¹ healthiness rating system for food outlets has been undertaken (see map provided as supplementary information). [Note this map only includes retail outlets within the city and the methodology for rating the outlets does not take affordability into account.]</p> <p>To build on this, an opportunity to embed questions about the food environment in the Designated survey on District and Local centres is being explored which would offer a more nuanced understanding of the local food environments in the city. This survey is led by the Planning team and will involve site visits to all district and local centres in the city.</p> <p>In addition, we continue to work closely with academic colleagues at the University of Southampton who have expertise in this area.</p>	
		<p>4) That the Cabinet Member seeks to ensure that resources are in place by September 2023 to drive the sustainable food environment agenda forward in Southampton.</p>	<p>It is intended that work to drive the Sustainable Food Place agenda will commence in September 2023 led by a Public Health Registrar who will be on placement at the Council. However, it should be noted that the Public Health Registrar is only temporary, and no other additional resource has been identified for when the Registrar placement ends.</p>	

¹ Moayyed H, Kelly B, Feng X, et al. Evaluation of a 'healthiness' rating system for food outlet types in Australian residential communities. *Nutrition & Dietetics* 2017;74(1):29-35. [Evaluation of a 'healthiness' rating system for food outlet types in Australian residential communities - Moayyed - 2017 - Nutrition & Dietetics - Wiley Online Library](#)